

Federation of Music Festival of Nova Scotia:

Welcome to the 2022 Provincial Music Festival scene:

1. The Syllabus of FMFNS for 2022 has been provided to all local festivals, is currently on the website of the New Glasgow Music Festival and will be on the brand new website (fmfns.ca) very soon. This website is currently under construction.

It is very important to read this new Syllabus thoroughly and carefully as there are many changes both in terminology and in requirements which you will need to know as you plan your music festival future this year.

2. The current plan is for there to be a **live** Provincial festival in New Glasgow, June 3rd and 4th, 2022. Mark these dates in your calendar now.

New Glasgow Music Festival ran a very successful live local festival in 2021 and has developed the skills to do so for a Provincial festival in 2022. The pandemic provides many challenges but they can be overcome. It is important to note, however, that all performers and all audience members attending such a festival will need to meet public health vaccination requirements in effect at that time. This is not only a requirement of the NGMF but of all the venues that we hire in New Glasgow for the festival.

If circumstances conspire to make a live festival impossible, NGMF will once again host a virtual Provincial festival as they did last year. If a virtual festival becomes a necessity, there will be a new set of dates established for Provincial registration, submission of entries and adjudications.

3. There will be three (3) levels of provincial competition this year – this is new for NS. Please see the Syllabus for details: Voice, Piano, Strings, Woodwind, Brass, Guitar, and Chamber.

Musical Theatre will be offered at the Intermediate and Senior/Advanced Levels in NS, with only the *Musical Theatre, National Class* being eligible to proceed to national competition.

- JUNIOR level (which becomes *Non-Competitive Education Stream* at the National level). This is a virtual experience and entrants go directly from the local festival to the national level. Local festival adjudicators may recommend suitable candidates to this experience. Such candidates will record, submit recordings to the nationals and receive an adjudication in return.
 - INTERMEDIATE (which becomes *Developing Artist Stream* at the nationals) and SENIOR/ADVANCED (which becomes *Emerging Artist Stream* at the Nationals). These two levels will be live Provincial competitions, hosted by the New Glasgow Music Festival, in New Glasgow, June 3rd & 4th, 2022.
4. **Please Note:** there is a brand new Composer Stream available this year. See the Syllabus for details. At the Provincial level, this competition is **virtual** and will be hosted by the NS Kiwanis Music Festival.
 5. **Please Also Note:** There are **no** Choral, Band or Orchestra competitions this year at the Nationals. There will be **none** at the Provincial level in 2022, also.
 6. **National Music Festival:** The decision has already been made to host this festival totally (all three levels as described above, plus the Composition Stream), as a virtual festival in 2022.

Registration deadlines, including submission of performance videos and scores:

June 30th: Composition Stream, all levels and Chamber Ensembles

July 5th: Non-Competitive Education Stream for Junior level entrants.

July 12th: Developing Artist Stream for Intermediate level entrants.

July 18th: Emerging Artist Stream for Senior/Advanced level entrants.