

Choral

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 Friday, March 17, 2023 Adjudicator: Elroy Friesen Steinbach Evangelical Mennonite Church, 422 Main St.

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Welcome to SEMF 2023!

Thank you to all the volunteers who organized this event and thank you to those who entered the festival. Thank you to the parents, teachers, coaches, and accompanists who helped our performers prepare.

We have a wonderful lineup of adjudicators who are ready to listen, comment, inspire, and teach our participants. Thank you to the adjudicators for making our festival possible.

Thank you to those who have generously supported SEMF through monetary donations and sponsorships. Everything given has encouraged the committee to continue the work of setting up our festival.

Participants are encouraged to record/photograph their own performance. We would love to post your pictures/recordings on our Instagram page (@southeastern.manitoba.festival) and our website (semf.ca). While we encourage the video taping of performances, no recording of adjudication/adjudicators is allowed.

We are so thankful that we can again return to full audiences - all friends and family members are welcome to fill the seats! With this comes the return of admission fees so please be prepared to support our festival in this way (cash and cheque only).

Enjoy your experience at the 2023 Southeastern Manitoba Festival!

The SEMF Executive



A NOTE TO AUDIENCE MEMBERS AND PARTICIPANTS:

In respect of all participants and adjudicators, we ask that you maintain a quiet atmosphere. Enter or leave a venue only between performances, or after the adjudicator has completed their comments.

Please turn off cell phones. We would appreciate if you would not text during performances. It is distracting to those around you and it is not respectful to the performers.



NO PERSONAL PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO or AUDIO RECORDING will be allowed while the adjudicator is speaking. DO NOT post any photograph, video, or audio recording on public or private social media if any other person is in the photo. You are most welcome to post your own video on any SEMF social media page.



Photocopies handed in to adjudicator secretaries will lead to disqualification for scholarships. Exceptions to this are listed in the SEMF 2022-2023 Addendum.

Piano & strings competitors: Please number the first measure of each line in your music to hand in to the adjudicator secretary.

SEMF strongly encourages competitors to hand in their music at least 15 minutes before their time of performance.

It is never appropriate to discuss grievances with the adjudicator. Please contact a Festival committee member in writing.





Please note that the Provincial Syllabus 2015 EDITION will be used until further notice.

AMAF Provincial Music & Arts Festival will be held in Winnipeg, May 26-28, 2023

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Admission Pricing:

\$3 per session (all ages) \$20 festival pass \$20 family pass (per session)

Discipline Contact Information:

If there are any questions regarding Choral programming or procedures, please contact: Elizabeth Grauer T: 204-381-2823 E: elizabeth.j.grauer@gmail.com



Adjudicator: Elroy Friesen

Described as "innovative, expressive, and dynamic," Elroy Friesen is Director of Choral Studies at the University of Manitoba where he heads the graduate studies program in choral performance, conducts numerous choirs, and teaches graduate conducting. His award-winning ensembles tour nationally and internationally, and are frequently recorded and broadcast by the CBC. They enjoy collaborating with many outstanding local and national arts organizations, including the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Canadian College of Organists, WSO New Music Festival, Soundstreams Canada, Groundswell, Vancouver Chamber Choir, *musica intima*, and the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra.

Dr. Friesen studied at the University of Manitoba (B. Mus., B. Ed., M. Mus.) and at the University of Illinois (DMA), receiving numerous scholarships and grants from the Manitoba Arts Council, the Canada Council for the Arts, and the Foundation for Choral Music in Manitoba. He is the Co-Founder and past Co-Artistic director of Schooner Cove Singers (Parksville, BC), as well as past Artistic Director and founder of the Winnipeg-based youth choir, Prairie Voices. He is also co-founder of *fikamusik: a choral conducting intensive* based at the University of Manitoba, and has recently appeared as guest conductor with the Winnipeg Symphony and the National Arts Centre Orchestras. He is in demand as a clinician, adjudicator, and conductor throughout North America and Northern Europe.





WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023 Discipline Sponsor: NATURE'S FARM

10:30 a.m.

SCH 8176 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 9-12

- 1. Steinbach Christian School Grades 9 & 10 Choir
- 2. SRSS Grade 9 & 10 Choir
- 3. Steinbach Christian School Grades 11 & 12 Choir

1:00 p.m. SCH 8176 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 9-12

- 1. SRSS Chamber Choir
- 2. Green Valley School Grades 9 12 Choir
- 3. Steinbach Christian School Chamber Choir
- 4. SRSS Grade 11 & 12 Choir

FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023 Discipline Sponsor: NATURE'S FARM

10:30 a.m.

SCH 8132 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 4-6

1. Blumenort School Grade 4 Classroom Choir

SCH 8191 School Chorus, Own Choice, any other grade combination

1. Arborgate School Choir

SCH 8146 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 5-8

1. Steinbach Christian School Grades 5 & 6 Choir

1:00 p.m.

SCH 8146 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 5-8

- 1. Blumenort School Noon Club Choir
- 2. Steinbach Christian School Grades 7 & 8 Choir

SCH 8161 School Chorus, Own Choice, Grades 7-9

1. Stonybrook Middle School Choir

SEMF Results 2022

Congratulations to our 2022 award winners!

<u>Vocal</u>:
\$50 Vocal Scholarship (Vocal Solo - Preliminary [13 & 14 years]): Angèle Fouasse
\$75 Vocal Scholarship (Vocal Solo - Junior [15 & 16 years]): Eden Derksen
\$100 Ruth Oommen Memorial Scholarship (Vocal Solo - Intermediate [17 & 18 years]): Myah Dalanie Klassen
\$200 Ruth Whetter Scholarship (Vocal Solo - Grade B): Jillian Reader

Musical Theatre:

\$50 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - Preliminary [14 years and under]): Angèle Fouasse
\$75 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - Junior [16 years and under]): Sarah Maier
\$100 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - Intermediate [17-18 years]): Avery Kellett
\$150 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - 17 years and over): Myah Dalanie Klassen

Strings:

\$75 Strings Scholarship (Strings Solo - Grades 3 to 6, except Suzuki): Sophie Johnson **\$100 Strings Scholarship** (Strings Solo - Grade 7 to Honours): Tressey Brand

<u>Junior Piano</u>: **\$50 Scholarship** (Piano Solo - Grade 3): Lee Hyun Woo **\$75 SMMTA Scholarship** (Piano Solo - Grade 4): Jessy Friesen

Senior Piano:

\$75 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 5): Maddie Martens
\$100 Chez Koop Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 6): Tobin Sawatzky
\$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 7): Ellen Reger
\$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 8): William Theuerer
\$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 9): Tanya Friesen
\$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 10): Treyton Hamm
\$100 J. H. Rempel Memorial Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 7 to Honours): A. J. Giesbrecht
\$100 Elsie Harms Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 7 to Honours): Sara Litau
\$200 Eva M. Krueger Memorial Scholarship (Piano Solo - Diploma): Sara Janke

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