

Vocal

February 20-22, 2024 Adjudicator: Judith Oatway

Evangelical Fellowship Church, 200 Woodhaven Ave, Steinbach semf.ca

Welcome to SEMF 2024!

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.

Participants are welcome to record/photograph their own performance. While we encourage the video taping of performances, no recording of adjudication/adjudicators is allowed.

Lastly, thank you to each one of our performers - we wouldn't have a festival without you. We hope you enjoy your experience at the 2024 Southeastern Manitoba Festival!

The SEMF Executive



A NOTE TO AUDIENCE MEMBERS AND PARTICIPANTS:

To provide a respectful environment for 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.

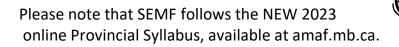
NO PERSONAL PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO or AUDIO RECORDING will be allowed while the adjudicator is speaking. DO NOT post any photograph, video, or audio recording on public or private social media if any other person is in the photo.

Photocopies handed in to adjudicator secretaries will lead to disqualification for scholarships. Exceptions to this are listed in the SEMF 2023-2024 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.



The AMAF Provincial Music & Arts Festival will be held May 24-26, 2024 at the University of Manitoba Desautels Faculty of Music.

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SEMF Grading System

SEMF follows the grading system below for all competitive entries:

Grade	Mark	Performance Standard
A +	90 to 100	signifies superior performance
Α	85 to 89	signifies distinction
A -	80 to 84	signifies definite merit
В	75 to 79	signifies adequate
С	70 to 74	signifies fair standard

The decision of the adjudicator regarding ranking of participants must be accepted as final. At no time must anyone approach the adjudicator to discuss any matter.

***NEW this year: AMAF has introduced a 6th participation level eligible for Provincial recommendations in the new online syllabus:

- Primary (P) vocalists 12 years & under and instrumentalists grades/levels 1-2
- Elementary (E) (previously known as Preliminary) vocalists 14 years & under and instrumentalists grades/levels 3-4
- Junior (J) vocalists 16 years & under and instrumentalists grades/levels 5-6
- Intermediate (I) vocalists 18 years & under and instrumentalists grades/levels 7-8
- Advanced (A) vocalists grades C (new) & B and instrumentalists grades/levels 9-10
- Senior (S) vocalists grade A & Honours and instrumentalists diploma/honours levels

Provincial eligible classes begin with the letter "P".

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Admission Pricing:

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

Volunteers

There are many ways to be involved with SEMF! If you'd like to consider volunteering your time, please contact semfsecretary@gmail.com.

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Adjudicator: Judith Oatway

Winnipeg Soprano, Judith Oatway, has a passion for singing displayed in her commitment to performance and vocal education. Her performances have been described as '...polished and dramatic...' Opera Composer Blog.

Judith serves as a sessional instructor at the Canadian Mennonite University and University of Manitoba Desautels

Faculty of Music teaching voice and vocal pedagogy. Judith co-founded the Summer Music Academy at the Community School of Music & the Arts at CMU, a summer program for young singers in Winnipeg. She has served on the boards of the Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals and the MB Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing. Judith holds a Master's in Literature and Music Performance from the University of Western Ontario.

Recent performance highlights include a Manitoba tour of the music of John Greer and La Ciesca (Gianni Schicchi). Past performances include Zwei Dame (Die Zauberflötel), Magda Sorel (The Consul), Mother (Hansel & Gretel), Anne Maurrant (Street Scene) and Donna Elvira (Don Giovanni). She has performed with Manitoba Underground Opera, The Little Opera Company, Kitchener Opera, Halifax Summer Opera, among others.

As a co-founder and Artistic Director of Flipside Opera & Art Song Collective, an independent vocal music organization, Judith believes the future of vocal arts is alive and well in Manitoba.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 - AFTERNOON

SPONSOR THIS SESSION

If You Become the Moon - Helppie & Kinney
Drummer and the Cook - Folk song/Sea shanty
Scarborough Fair - arr. Althouse
Come to the Fair - Martin
Poor Wayfaring Stranger - arr. Mrozinski
The Water is Wide - arr. Briston
When Love is Kind - Lehmann
<i>The Dodger</i> - Copland
. Papillon, tu es volage - Folk song, arr. O'Brien
Poor Wayfaring Stranger - arr. Mrozinski
Liza Jane - Althouse
Shady Grove - American Folk Song

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Program information for each discipline
Award winners
Provincial recommendations
Donation information
How to volunteer with SEMF
And more!

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 - EVENING

6:30 p.m.
V 1371 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, Grade C (A)
1. Jasmine Waldner Lachen und Weinen - Schubert
PV 1308 Vocal Solo, Sacred, 18 years and under (I)
1. Amaris Gross How Can I Keep From Singing - Lowry & Plenn
PV 1303 Vocal Solo, French Mélodie, 18 years and under (I)
1. Chasadya Koop
PV 1254 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, 16 years and under (J)
1. Benjamin Hiebert
PV 1304 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, 18 years and under (I)
1. Amaris Gross
PV 1354 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, Grade C (A)
1. Jasmine Waldner

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 - MORNING

10:00 a.m.	
PV 1152 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English A	Art Song, 12 years and under (P)
1. Koree Guenette	The Stars are with the Voyager - Althouse
2. Sawyer Schmidtke	Path to the Moon - Thiman
3. Monroe Audette	The Little Rose - Roy
PV 1202 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English A	Art Song, 14 years and under (E)
1. Layla Doerksen	The Cherry Tree - Rowley
2. Kaylee Gross	A Blackbird Singing - Head
PV 1252 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English A	Art Song, 16 years and under (J)
1. Jadyn Plett	Ho! Mr. Piper - Curran
2. Benjamin Hiebert	Sea Fever - Ireland
PV 1302 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English A	
1. Chasadya Koop	Five Eyes - Gibbs



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 - AFTERNOON

SPONSOR THIS SESSION

1:00 p.m.	
PV 1158 Vocal Solo, Sacred, 12 years and under (P)	
1. Natalie Barkman	Sweet Little Jesus Boy - Gimsey
V 1171 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 12 years and under	
1. Henry Messner	Buy Dirt - Davis & Jenkins
V 1221 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 14 years and under	
1. Hazel Thiessen	The Hanging Tree - Howard, Fraites & Schultz
2. Chrysshell Quives	Fever - Davenport & Cooley
V 1271 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 16 years and under	
1. Jadyn Plett	To Believe - Evancho
2. Shaneika Klassen	Scarborough Fair - Downes
3. Anaya Hildebrandt	
2:15 p.m.	
PV 1205 Vocal Solo, Italian Art Song, 14 years and und	<u>ler (E)</u>
1. Alice Moldowan	Tu lo sai - Torelli
2. Chrysshell Quives	Caro mio ben - Giordani
3. Layla Doerksen	Se Florindo è fedele - Scarlatti
PV 1207 Vocal Solo, Art Song in Other Languages, 14 y	vears and under (E)
1. Alice Moldowan	
PV 1255 Vocal Solo, Italian Art Song, 16 years and und	ler (J)
1. Jadyn Plett	

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 - EVENING

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6:30 p.m.	
V 1631 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 12 years and under	
1. Reese Morales & Victoria Penner	
V 1691 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 16 years and under	
1. Klassen Sisters	
V 1721 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 18 years and under	
1. Amaris Gross & Kaylee Gross	
V 1945 Vocal Group, Own Choice, Family and/or Friends	
1. Crescendo Girls Group	
*As part of the adjudiction, each Vocal Duet & Vocal Group will be invited on stage for a 10 minute workshop session with Ms. Oatway!	
ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS	
Medal (Vocal Duet, Trio or Ensemble - 12 years and over)	
Kelvin Goertzen Trophy (Vocal Duet, Trio or Ensemble - 12 years and over)	

*Medal and trophy winners are invited to sing at the Vocal Awards Night (Thursday, Feb 22 at 7:00 p.m.) and will be presented with their awards at this time.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024 - MORNING

10:00 a.m.	
PV-C 1161 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 12 years and under (P)	
1. Monroe Audette	Forty Little Birdies - Rhodenizer
PV-C 1211 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 14 years and under (E)	
1. Shiana Klassen	She's Like the Swallow - Cassils
2. Chloe Czarnecki	Forty Little Birdies - Rhodenizer
PV-C 1261 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 16 years and under (J) 1. Jadyn Plett	Forty Little Birdies - Rhodenizer
PV 1201 Vocal Solo, Renaissance/Baroque, 14 years and under (E)	
1. Kaylee Gross	Where E'er You Walk - Handel
PV 1251 Vocal Solo, Renaissance/Baroque, 16 years and under (J)1. Anaya Hildebrandt	Vinter Wind - Shakespeare & Arne

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024 - AFTERNOON

1:00 p.m. V 1611 Vocal Trio, Own Choice, 10 years and under Finn Taylor, Michele Serra & Antonio Serra
V 1002 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English Art Song, 6 years and under
1. Mika Ella Empalmado
V 1005 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composer, 6 years and under
1. London Recksiedler
V 1104 Vocal Solo, Folk Song, 10 years and under
1. Erica Barkman
2. Chloe-lynn Quives
V 1105 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 10 and under
1. Journey Janzen
2. Marta Jaworski
V 1108 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 10 years and under
1. Chloe-lynn Quives
2. Erica Barkman

^{*}An invitation to sing at the beginning of the Vocal Awards Night (Thursday, Feb 22 at 7:00 p.m.) will be given to one <u>Stand-out Solo Singer</u> and one <u>Stand-out Duet, Trio or Ensemble</u> in the 10 years and under non-competitive category! These singers will be announced at the end of this session.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024 - 7:00 p.m. VOCAL AWARDS NIGHT

12 Years and Under (Primary)
PV 1152 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English Art Song, 12 years and under (P)
PV 1158 Vocal Solo, Sacred, 12 years and under (P)
PV 1159 Vocal Solo, Folk Song, 12 years and under (P)
PV-C 1161 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 12 years and under (P)
V 1171 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 12 years and under
14 Years and Under (Elementary)
PV 1201 Vocal Solo, Renaissance/Baroque, 14 years and under (E)
PV 1202 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English Art Song, 14 years and under (E)
PV 1205 Vocal Solo, Italian Art Song, 14 years and under (E)
PV 1207 Vocal Solo, Art Song in Other Languages, 14 years and under (E)
PV 1209 Vocal Solo, Folk Song, 14 years and under (E)
PV-C 1211 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 14 years and under (E)
V 1221 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 14 years and under
16 Years and Under (Junior)
PV 1251 Vocal Solo, Renaissance/Baroque, 16 years and under (J)
PV 1252 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English Art Song, 16 years and under (J)
PV 1254 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, 16 years and under (J)
PV 1255 Vocal Solo, Italian Art Song, 16 years and under (J)
PV 1259 Vocal Solo, Folk Song, 16 years and under (J)
PV-C 1261 Vocal Solo, Canadian Composers, 16 years and under (J)
V 1271 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, 16 years and under
18 Years and Under (Intermediate)
PV 1302 Vocal Solo, 20th/21st Century English Art Song, 18 years and under (I)
PV 1303 Vocal Solo, French Mélodie, 18 years and under (I)
PV 1304 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, 18 years and under (I))
PV 1308 Vocal Solo, Sacred, 18 years and under (I)
PV 1309 Vocal Solo, Folk Song, 18 years and under (I)
Grade C (Advanced)
PV 1354 Vocal Solo, German Lieder, Grade C (A)
V 1371 Vocal Solo, Own Choice, Grade C
V 1631 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 12 years and under
V 1691 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 16 years and under
V 1721 Vocal Duet, Own Choice, 18 years and under
V 1945 Vocal Group, Own Choice, Family and/or Friends

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Medal (Vocal Solo - Primary [11 & 12 years])				
Medal (Vocal Solo - Elementary [13 & 14 years])				
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			Loewen Windows Trophy (Vocal Solo - Elemen	ntary [13 & 14 years])
Dr. Paul Peters Trophy (Vocal Solo - Junior [15	5 & 16 years])			
	liate [17 & 18 years])			
\$50 Vocal Coordinator's Scholarship (Vocal Sc	olo - Elementary [13 & 14 years])			
	& 16 years])			
	ocal Solo - Intermediate [17 & 18 years] and Grade C)			
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VOCAL PROVINCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS:				
Primary:	Recommended Piece:			
Primary:				
Alternate:				
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Elementary:	Recommended Piece:			
Elementary:				
Alternate:				
Junior:	Recommended Piece:			
Junior:				
Alternate:				
Intermediate:	Recommended Piece:			
Intermediate:				
CANADIAN COMPOSERS:				
Primary:				
Elementary:	Alternate:			
Junior:	Alternate:			

SEMF Awards 2023

Strings:

Lillian Toews Trophy (Strings - Grades 3 to 6): Elizabeth Janke
Wes & Charlotte Reimer Trophy (Concerto - Grades 7 to Honours): Julianna Esau
Loewen Body Shop Trophy (Strings - Grades 7 to Honours): Rachel Brand
City of Steinbach Instrumental Trophy (Adjudicator's Choice - Grade 3 and up): Tressey Brand

\$75 Strings Scholarship (Strings Solo - Grades 3 to 6, except Suzuki): Sophie Fillion **\$100 Strings Scholarship** (Strings Solo - Grade 7 to Honours): Hannah Janke

Vocal:

Kelvin Goertzen Trophy (Vocal Duet, Trio or Ensemble - 12 years and over): Klassen Sisters Smith, Neufeld, Jodoin Trophy (Vocal Solo - 11 & 12 years): Leah Neufeld Loewen Windows Trophy (Vocal Solo - Preliminary [13 & 14 years]): Alice Moldowan Dr. Paul Peters Trophy (Vocal Solo - Junior [15 & 16 years]): Shaneika Klassen AM 1250 Radio Trophy (Vocal Solo - Intermediate [17 & 18 years]): Eden Derksen E. J. Friesen Trophy (Vocal Solo - Grade B, Grade A and Honours): Myah Delanie Klassen

\$50 Vocal Coordinators Scholarship (Vocal Solo, Preliminary 13 & 14 years): Taylor Plett **\$75 Vocal Scholarship** (Vocal Solo - Junior [15 & 16 years]): Amaris Gross **\$100 Ruth Oommen Memorial Scholarship** (Vocal Solo - Intermediate [17 & 18 years] and Adult): Brooklyn Plett

\$200 Ruth Whetter Scholarship (Vocal Solo - Open, Grade B, Grade A and Honours): Jillian Reader

Musical Theatre:

Chez Koop Trophy (Musical Theatre Duet, Trio, or Ensemble - 14 years and under): Kirpluk Sisters **Barkman Concrete Trophy** (Musical Theatre Duet, Trio, or Ensemble - Junior [15 & 16 years] and up): no entries

Three Way Builders Trophy (Musical Theatre Performance - 12 years and under): Leah Neufeld **Heier Designs Florist Trophy** (Musical Theatre Performance - Preliminary [14 years and under]): Chrysshell Quives

Marie Reimer Memorial Trophy (Musical Theatre Performance - Junior [16 years and under]): Lakeisha Toews

J. H. Rempel Memorial Trophy (Musical Theatre Performance - Intermediate [18 years and under]): Avery Kellett

Sheila Ardies Trophy (Musical Theatre Performance - Grade A/B): Myah Dalanie Klassen

\$50 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - Preliminary [14 years and under]): Summer Neufeld **\$75 Musical Theatre Scholarship** (Solo - Junior [16 years and under]): Chasadya Koop

\$100 Musical Theatre Scholarship (Solo - Intermediate [17-18 years]): Brooklyn Plett **\$150 Musical Theatre Scholarship** (Solo - Intermediate [17 years and over]): Jillian Reader

Junior Piano:

\$50 Guenther Family Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 3): Hannah Dyck **\$75 SMMTA Scholarship** (Piano Solo - Grade 3 & 4): Nathanael Blackburn

Iris Dirks Memorial Trophy (Piano Solo - Grade 3): Hyunwoo Lee Brian Kliewer Family Memorial Trophy (Piano Solo - Grade 4): Timothy Bergen

Senior Piano:

\$100 J. H. Rempel Memorial Scholarship - (Piano Solo - Grade 5): Jesse Wolfe \$100 Chez Koop Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 6): Oliver Hildebrandt \$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 7): Abby DeLuna \$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 8): Emmy Celia Wiebe \$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 9): Rebecca Grace Mueller \$100 Piano Scholarship (Piano Solo - Grade 10): Alexandra Neufeld

Judy Doerksen Trophy (Piano Solo - Grade 5): Joshua Schultz
Glenn Loewen Trophy (Piano Solo - Grade 6): Evgeniya Pushkar
Dr. Dennis Giesbrecht Trophy (Piano Solo - Grades 7 & 8): Riley Goldberg/Nicholas Pritchard
Steinbach Automobile Dealers Association Trophy (Piano Solo - Grades 9 & 10): Klara Theuerer
Elsie Harms Trophy & \$100 Scholarship (Adjudicator's choice award Level 5 to Honours): William Theuerer

Francis Funk Competition:

1st: William Theurer2nd: Klara Theurer3rd: Emmy Celia Wiebe