# ontario music festivals association

## **Provincial Finals 2025**Popular Strings - Solo Syllabus

### **Popular Strings - Solo**

All selections in this category must be covers from commercial artists.

Competitors must perform a selection from any of the following genres: pop, pop/ folk, R & B, soul, rock, alternative, indie, jazz or country.

#### **Piece Selections**

a) **Only one selection is required** and must have been performed at the Local Festival, received a minimum mark of 85 and the recommendation of the local Adjudicator. The Adjudicator will take piece choice into consideration.

#### **General Rules**

- a) Original music for each selection must be presented at the welcome desk for use by the Adjudicator on the day of competition. An original score of the music or purchased digital music with attached receipt showing title and price (not a cover page, Pro credit or subscription to a sharing website, eg. Scribd, Everand, Musescore) for each selection must be presented to the Registration desk for the Adjudicator's use on the day of competition.
- b) All selections must be played from memory.
- c) No announcement of name or selection is required prior to your performance.
- d) All competitors must be an amateur which shall be defined as any person whose principle means of livelihood is not obtained from the performance or teaching of music in the particular category in which they are competing, even though, from time to time, they may receive remuneration on an occasional basis (not full-time). Please click here for the full definition of Amateur vs Professional: omfa.ca/glossary
- e) All criteria listed in the OMFA General Rules (https://omfa.ca/live-festival/rules-and-regulations) must be strictly adhered to.

#### **Not Permitted**

- Rap and Hip Hop
- Songs listed in the RCM or CC Classical Syllabi

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#### **Performance Requirements**

Competitors must perform one popular strings selection.

The maximum performance times are as follows:

Beginner Level (Ages 6-8): **Eight (8) minutes** Primary Level (Ages 9-10): **Eight (8) minutes** 



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Elementary Level (Ages 11-12) **Eight (8) minutes**Junior Level (Ages 13-14): **Ten (10) minutes**Intermediate Level (Ages 15-16): **Ten (10) minutes** 

Senior Level (Ages 17-18): Fifteen (15) minutes

Advanced Level: Fifteen (15) minutes

Adults (Ages 29 and Above): Ten (10) minutes

Accurate performance times must be included on the entry form. Do not guess timings. There is no minimum performance time.

If you do not provide all information required (i.e. the name and composer of your selection and payment) by your Local Festival's Provincial deadline, it will result in disqualification

"To Be Decided" in any field will not be accepted and will result in disqualification.

Class	Live
48001 - Popular Strings - Beginner Level - Ages 6-8	\$100.00
48002 - Popular Strings - Primary Level - Ages 9-10	\$100.00
48003 - Popular Strings - Elementary Level - Ages 11-12	\$100.00
48004 - Popular Strings - Junior Level - Ages 13-14	\$100.00
48005 - Popular Strings - Intermediate Level - Ages 15-16	\$100.00
48006 - Popular Strings - Senior Level - Ages 17-18	\$100.00
48007 - Popular Strings - Advanced Level	\$150.00
48008 - Popular Strings - Adults - Ages 29 and Above	\$100.00