

### Popular Strings - Solo

**All selections in this category must be covers from commercial artists and/or an original composition.**

#### Piece Selections

- a) One of the selections must have been performed at the Local Festival and received a minimum mark of 85 and the recommendation of the local Adjudicator. The second selection is the competitor's choice but must follow the rules of this category.
- b) Competitors must perform **two (2) contrasting selections** in any of the following genres: pop, pop/folk, R & B, soul, rock, alternative, indie, jazz or country.
- c) Selections from Conservatory Canada (CC) Contemporary Idioms lists and the Royal Conservatory of Music Popular Lists (RCM) are eligible.
- d) Selections must be musically contrasting. The Adjudicator will take the choice of repertoire into consideration.

#### General Rules

- e) All selections must be played from memory.
- f) All competitors must be an **amateur** which shall be defined as a music student, performer, or any person who does not earn significant income from performance or teaching in the discipline in which they are participating or, is a member of a professional union. (Please click here for the full definition of Amateur vs Professional: <https://omfa.ca/virtual-festival/rules-regulations>).
- g) All criteria listed in the OMFA General Rules (<https://omfa.ca/virtual-festival/rules-regulations>) must be strictly adhered to.

#### Video Submission Requirements

- h) **Videos must be submitted by your Local Festival's entry deadline date for Provincials.**
- i) One original score of the music or purchased digital music with attached receipt for each selection must be shown on camera prior to the beginning of the performance.
- j) **Only YouTube videos will be permitted (i.e. google drives, vimeo, mp3's, mp4's, dropbox etc. are not permitted). Each performance requires a separate YouTube link. Performance videos should not be combined.**
- k) **All videos must have "YouTube kid" settings turned off. You may choose to have your video "unlisted" but "private" videos are not permitted.** Please also ensure that the video is allowed to be embedded in other programs.
- l) The video must clearly show your face, your instruments and hands. A stationary camera position must be used throughout.
- m) The video should be in the spirit of a recital or an audition and therefore you should dress appropriately.
- n) **You are required to introduce yourself and your selections in the video**, either verbally or with a

title card before each piece and must be limited to the following:

- Your Name
  - The Grade/Level you have entered
  - The Composer and Complete Title of your selection (prior to each piece).
- o) **Do not announce your teacher's name, where you are from or at which local festival you performed. Do not use your teacher's YouTube channel to submit your videos.**

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### Performance Requirements

Competitors must perform **two (2) contrasting selections.**

The maximum performance times are as follows:

- Beginner Level (Ages 6-8): **Ten (10) minutes**
- Primary Level (Ages 9-10): **Ten (10) minutes**
- Elementary Level (Ages 11-12) **Ten (10) minutes**
- Junior Level (Ages 13-14): **Ten (10) minutes**
- Intermediate Level (Ages 15-16): **Fifteen (15) minutes**
- Senior Level (Ages 17-18): **Fifteen (15) minutes**
- Advanced Level (Ages 19-28): **Fifteen (15) minutes**
- Adults (Ages 29 and Above): **Fifteen (15) minutes**

There is no minimum performance time.

Accurate performance times must be included on the entry form. Do not guess timings.

**If you do not provide all information required** (your YouTube video link, the PDF of your music and payment) **by your Festival's Provincial deadline, it will result in disqualification.** "To Be Decided" in any field will not be accepted and will also result in disqualification.

The only exception to this is the field labelled "Movement/Musical". If your piece is a sonata or a concerto, etc. you will need to define which movements you will be playing. If your piece does not have any movements please put "none".

Class	Virtual
48001 - Popular Strings - Beginner Level - Ages 6-8	\$85.00
48002 - Popular Strings - Primary Level - Ages 9-10	\$85.00

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<b>Class</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
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	\$115.00
48007 - Popular Strings - Advanced Level - Ages 19-28	\$115.00
48008 - Popular Strings - Adults - Ages 29 and Above	\$115.00