

MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES

AGE CATEGORIES

Age categories for local festival entry are:

Pre Junior	8 years and under
Junior	11 years and under
Intermediate	14 years and under
Senior	17 years and under
Advanced	30 years and under

PROVINCIAL FESTIVAL ELIGIBILITY

Performers of Intermediate age and above, with **2 or more** suitable classes are eligible for recommendation to the Provincial Festival by Local Festival adjudicators.

Performers of Junior age, with **1 or more** suitable classes are eligible for recommendation to the Provincial Festival by Local Festival adjudicators.

NOTE – New this year: Intermediate performers need to perform in **2 or more** classes at their local festival to be eligible for Provincial Festival, which may include the new recital class and must include 1 Ballad and 1 Up Tempo.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL ELIGIBILITY

Solo Performance

Eligible soloists may be recommended to **National Music Festival Vocal Classes** by the adjudicator(s) at the Provincial finals.

Soloists wishing to be eligible for National Festival recommendation must:

- Follow all guidelines for Class 800 in the [National Festival Syllabus](#) to ensure that their local festival entry fulfils requirements.
- Ensure that the box at the beginning of the entry form is checked to indicate that they wish to be considered for Nationals. IF THAT BOX IS NOT CHECKED YOUR NAME WILL NOT APPEAR ON THE LIST FOR CONSIDERATION.

Ensemble Performance

Eligible chamber ensembles may be recommended to **National Music Festival Ensemble Classes** (recorded stream) by the adjudicator(s) at the Provincial finals.

Ensembles wishing to be eligible for National Festival recommendation must:

- Follow all guidelines for NF Class 9101 in the [National Festival Syllabus](#) to ensure that their local festival entry fulfils requirements.
- Ensure that the box at the beginning of the entry form to indicate that they wish to be considered for Nationals. IF THAT BOX IS NOT CHECKED YOUR NAME WILL NOT APPEAR ON THE LIST FOR CONSIDERATION.

Information applying to ALL Musical Theatre Classes

(additional information may be specified for each category below)

- May be entered competitively or non-competitively.
- May be sung in any language unless specified.
- **One** own choice selection, from any musical theatre production may be used, unless specified otherwise (for example, recital classes).
- Repertoire must be named on the entry form.
- Performers must provide the adjudicator with a copy of the music.
- No photocopied music is allowed at this Festival. E-printed music must have proof of purchase.
- Please time repertoire carefully and round UP to the nearest minute to specify on entry form
- Performers **must not** perform the same selection more than once.
- Performers should refer to their Local Festival Addendum for information and criteria on awards.
- **Note:** Additional “dance only” sections should not be added to the performance
- The selection **MUST NOT** be a medley of songs or theme songs from movies
- Performers are encouraged to use costumes, hand props, and a maximum of two stage props, but these are not compulsory.

Musical Theatre Solo: Pre-Junior and Junior

Class 9000	Pre-Junior	8 years and under
Class 9002	Junior	11 years and under

Additional Information: Eligibility for Provincials in the Junior category is entry in ONE CLASS

Musical Theatre Solo: Intermediate, Senior, and Advanced

Additional Information:

- Performers wishing to be eligible for recommendation to the National Festival **must** follow guidelines for NF CLASS 800 in the National Festival Syllabus (Please note that only songs from **staged shows** (not from musical movies – unless they have also been staged) are eligible for National Festival entry)
- **NEW for 2024** – to be eligible for recommendation to the Provincial Festival, performers **MUST** enter at least 2 contrasting classes (for example, Up Tempo and Ballad) at their local festival. One of these classes may be the new recital class.

Up Tempo

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9100	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9102	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9106	Advanced	30 years and under

Ballad

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9110	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9112	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9114	Advanced	30 years and under

Tin Pan Alley Era

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9120	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9122	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9124	Advanced	30 years and under

Golden Age Era

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9130	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9132	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9134	Advanced	30 years and under

Contemporary (1950-present)

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9140	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9142	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9144	Advanced	30 years and under

Gilbert and Sullivan

One own choice selection from any musical theatre production may be used.

Class 9150	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9152	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9154	Advanced	30 years and under

Musical Theatre Solo Recital Group

Additional Information:

- Participants wishing to be eligible for recommendation to the National Festival **must** follow guidelines for NF CLASS 800 in the National Festival Syllabus, and must enter at least one other solo Musical Theatre class. (Please note that only songs from **staged shows** (not from musical movies – unless they have also been staged) are eligible for National Festival entry)
- **Three** Own Choice selections which exhibit elements of contrast and/or unity
- Selections must be named on the entry form
- Evaluation will be based on repertoire selection, interpretation, and stage deportment
- The participant is responsible for supplying an original copy of the music for the adjudicator
- **Note:** Additional “dance only” sections should not be added to the performance
- The selection **MUST NOT** include a medley of songs, or theme songs from movies
- Performers are encouraged to use costumes, hand props, and a maximum of two stage props
- Participants are encouraged to limit time taken for costume changes. Costume / prop changes must all take place on stage, and time taken is considered as part of the overall time limit.
- Performers must not leave the stage at any point during the recital **EXCEPT** to facilitate an opening to a song.

Class 9160	Musical Theatre Recital	Intermediate	14 years and under	15 minute time limit
Class 9162	Musical Theatre Recital	Senior	17 years and under	18 minute time limit
Class 9164	Musical Theatre Recital	Advanced	30 years and under	20 minute time limit

Music Theatre Vocal Duets

Important:

See the beginning of the *Musical Theatre* section for guidelines, and important details regarding age categories and Provincial / National Festival eligibility.

Class 9200	Pre-Junior	8 years and under
Class 9202	Junior	11 years and under
Class 9204	Intermediate	14 years and under
Class 9206	Senior	17 years and under
Class 9208	Advanced	30 years and under

Musical Theatre Ensembles

Important:

See the beginning of the *Musical Theatre* section for guidelines, and important details regarding age categories and Provincial / National Festival eligibility.

Additional Information:

- Maximum time limit of 10 minutes, including set-up
- Small ensembles - a maximum of 5 performers. Large ensembles - minimum of 6 performers.
- Specify number of performers on the entry form.

Class 9300	Small Ensemble	8 years and under
Class 9302	Small Ensemble	11 years and under
Class 9304	Small Ensemble	14 years and under
Class 9306	Small Ensemble	17 years and under
Class 9308	Small Ensemble	30 years and under
Class 9310	Large Ensemble	8 years and under
Class 9312	Large Ensemble	11 years and under
Class 9314	Large Ensemble	14 years and under
Class 9316	Large Ensemble	17 years and under
Class 9318	Large Ensemble	30 years and under

Older Beginners/Adult Classes - Musical Theatre

Important:

See the beginning of the *Musical Theatre* section for guidelines, and important details regarding age categories and Provincial / National Festival eligibility.

Under Three (3) Years Instruction

Class 9400	Musical Theatre	15 years and under
Class 9402	Musical Theatre	16 years and over
Class 9404	Musical Theatre Solo	18 years and over
Class 9406	Musical Theatre Duet	17 years and under
Class 9408	Musical Theatre Duet	18 years and over

Adult Classes Over Three (3) Years Instruction

Class 9440	Musical Theatre	18 years and over
Class 9442	Musical Theatre Duet	18 years and over