

PEIRMTA STUDENT COMPOSER COMPETITION 2026

REGULATIONS

- The entrant must be of stated age as of June 1, 2026 and be a student of a PEIRMTA member in good standing.
- Each entry must be composed by the named entrant (teachers may advise with details of notation).
- Compositions may be for a solo instrument or voice, or any combination thereof.
- Scores must be neat and legible in black ink or dark pencil, with tempo and dynamics included.
- Computer printed scores are allowed. **Optimally, each composition should be accompanied with an audio recording of a performance of the composition (no videos please).**
- The bars in the composition should be numbered so that the adjudicator can easily refer to various parts of the composition.
- Each composition must have a title. In multi-movement compositions, the instrumentation must remain the same in each movement.
- Please keep a copy of each entered work.
- The entrant's name must not appear on the composition itself. Please attach the entry form to the composition using a paper clip.
- Entrants may submit one or more works, and may enter both sections (instrumental and vocal) of the appropriate category (Preparatory, Categories A and B), if desired.
- Compositions must not have been among the winners of any other competition.
- Each entry will receive a written adjudication.
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place compositions will be performed at the awards ceremony in the spring of 2026. Prizes (only if merited) will be awarded to the winners of each category. Certificates will be given to contestants who place second and third.
- **Applications open on January 2, 2026.**
- **Entries must be received on or before Sunday, March 1, 2026.** *(Please remember - any entries received after this date will not be accepted.)*
- **A completed entry form and the correct entry fee must accompany each composition entered.**

AGE CATEGORIES AND ENTRY FEES

Preparatory: 8 yrs and under (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2 - vocal) – \$25 entry fee

Category A: 11 yrs and under (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2 - vocal) – \$25 entry fee

Category B: 15 yrs and under (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2 - vocal) - \$35 entry fee

Category C*: 19 yrs and under - \$45 entry fee

Category D*: Open (over 19) - \$45 entry fee

*Any instrument or combination of instruments, including voice

PRIZES

Preparatory: 8 yrs and under (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2- vocal) – Gold medals

Category A: 11 yrs and under (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2 - vocal) – Gold medals

Category B: 15 yrs and under - (Class 1 - instrumental; Class 2 - vocal) - \$30

Category C: 19 yrs and under - \$40

Category D: Open (over 19) - \$50

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This form must be completed and signed by both the teacher and the student.

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Age Category entered _____ Class _____

Age (as of June 1, 2026) _____

Entrant's e-mail _____

Entrant's phone _____

Title of entry _____

Teacher's name _____

Teacher's e-mail address _____

Teacher's phone _____

Fee enclosed: \$_____ (Please NO cheques. E-transfer payments are preferred.
Cash is accepted. **Please send e-transfers to treasurer@peirmta.ca**)

I certify that this composition is my own work (Signatures)

Entrant: _____

Parent or Guardian (if under 19): _____

Teacher's signature: _____

**Please mail or deliver composition, completed entry form, entry fee, and
media permission form on or before March 1, 2026 to:**

Sharon Makarenko (902-326-4128)
2205 Cape Bear Road
Murray Harbour, PE
C0A 1V0

sharonmak22@gmail.com (**e-transfers to treasurer@peirmta.ca**)

MEDIA PERMISSIONS FORM

Please note: all Winners and Honourable Mentions for programs and competitions will be acknowledged on some or all of the following platforms: *CFMTA Social Media Posts / CFMTA Website / Canadian Music Teacher Magazine (CMT) / Of Note e-memo*

To include the following: Name - Province - Results - Bio - Photo - Video (if applicable)

I give permission for the following information of the participant to be posted: NAME - PROVINCE - BIO: ____ Yes / ____ No

I give permission for the following information of the participant to be posted: PHOTO: ____ Yes / ____ No; VIDEO (if applicable): ____ Yes / ____ No

I have read and I agree to program rules and guidelines. ____ Yes / ____ No

I am 18 years or older OR the legal parent/guardian of the child participating in the program:

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

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