

A Chance for Your Student to Perform

Spring School of Music is always looking for opportunities where our students can grow and improve their musical abilities. With that in mind, our staff is joining the **National Federation of Music Clubs (NFMC)**, Tejas Chapter. The NFMC is an American organization which promotes student achievement in music performance for instrumental and vocal music. They hold Festivals and Competitions at the local and state levels across the United States each year. Participating in a festival or competition can be a fantastic motivator for students. In addition, they receive a critique from someone other than their teacher which reinforces what they are learning. It's a win, win!

Who can participate? This opportunity is open to students up to 18 years old.

What is it like? Students perform 2 songs as a soloist or part of an ensemble in their instrument category for judges who give a written critique of their performance. Students who receive a 5 rating also get a superior ribbon and qualify for the state-level competition.

How much does it cost? There are 2 fees: a membership fee (\$25 per child) and a festival fee (\$25 per event).

Membership fees will be collected by Spring School of Music on **November 1, 2021**. Fees will be billed to your Spring School of Music account.

Upcoming Festival

Date: **March 4 and March 5, 2022** (Friday & Saturday)

Location: **Resurrection Lutheran Church, 1612 Meadow Edge Ln. Spring, TX 77388**

Video Entries Due Date: **March 1, 2022**

Those who wish to participate in the festival will generally start working on their festival song in November or December. Students must memorize one piece of music from the NFMC list of songs, and one piece of equivalent difficulty by a non-American composer.

State-Level contest

Students who *qualify* to compete at the state level are not required to compete, it is an honor. There is an additional fee (\$60 per event) to compete at the state level and there will be additional forms to fill out after the local chapter festival in March.

Who do I contact if I have any questions?

Direct questions to your teacher or Mrs. Moller (admin@springschoolofmusic.com). If we can't answer the question, we will contact the festival chair or appropriate administrator to obtain an answer. This may take several days so please be patient.

Student Registration Form (Due Oct 15)

for NFM, Tejas Junior Music Chapter

Student Name: _____
First Last

Parent Name: _____

Teacher's Name(s): _____

Student's Instrument (Primary): _____ Secondary Instrument: _____

Student NFM Membership Fee is \$25 per student.

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We are not collecting the festival fee at this time.

Fees for solo or ensemble entries and music theory tests are due *December 1, 2021*. We will have a separate form to officially register for the solo, ensemble, and music theory test. The fee for each event is \$25.00.

Please circle the areas of performance that you will be interested in participating (this helps the chapter determine how many judges that will be needed for the festival):

Vocal	Female Solo: Art Song	Male Solo: Art Song	Musical Theater Solo	Duet: Art Song								
Piano	Solo Piano	Solo Piano Hymn	Piano Duet*	Piano Quartet								
String Solo	Violin	Viola	Cello	Guitar	Duet*, trio, quartet	Fiddling Solo	Ukulele**					
Percussion Solo	Drum Set	Snare Drum	Keyboard	Timpani								
Wind Instrument Solo	Flute	Clarinet	Oboe	Bassoon	Saxophone							
	Trumpet	Trombone	Tuba	Euphonium								
Music Theory Test	Level: 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

***Duets** – Duets are defined as two of the same instrument types (e.g. 2 string instruments, 2 voices, etc.). A violin/piano duet is not admissible. Also, students may perform a duet at the local festival level with their teacher to earn a ribbon and points toward a gold cup, however, a student/teacher duet cannot qualify for the state level competition. Initial music selections must come from the NFM bulletin and conform to the rules of the Federation.

** The Ukulele is not officially recognized by the Federation. This means a student may earn ribbons and points for gold cups at the local-level, but they won't be able to qualify for state-level competition on Ukulele regardless of their score.