

2026 AWARDS, CERTIFICATES AND TROPHIES FOR VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CATEGORIES

THE ROSE BOWL:

Sponsored by the Fort William Rotary Club. The Rose Bowl will be awarded to the winner of a competition between the winners of the Vocal, Piano, String, Woodwind and Brass who have entered three different classes (in Piano 3 different selections) at the Grade 10 level and higher. There must be a minimum of two competitors for the Rose Bowl and an age limit of 28 years. The Rose Bowl may not be won two consecutive years by any contestant.

NORTHERN LIGHTS Junior Pop Vocal Trophy:

Sponsored by Vibe Performing Arts Academy, this award recognizes a junior student (12 and under or 14 and under) who has achieved the highest mark in any of the Pop vocal categories.

To be considered, students must have entered a minimum of two (2) Pop vocal categories and received the top mark in at least one category. Eligible students will be selected by the adjudicator to compete for this award.

Pop vocal categories include: Ballad, Upbeat, Country/Pop Folk, Christian Contemporary, Jazz/Rags & Blues, and Disney.

This is a Judge's Choice award, and competitors are selected at the discretion of the adjudicator.

This award may be won once per age division

NORTHERN LIGHTS Senior Pop Vocal Trophy:

Sponsored by Vibe Performing Arts Academy, this award recognizes a senior student (16 and under or 18 and under) who has achieved the highest mark in any of the Pop vocal categories.

To be considered, students must have entered a minimum of two (2) Pop vocal categories and received the top mark in at least one category. Eligible students will be selected by the adjudicator to compete for this award.

Pop vocal categories include: Ballad, Upbeat, Country/Pop Folk, Christian Contemporary, Jazz/Rags & Blues, and Disney.

This is a Judge's Choice award, and competitors are selected at the discretion of the adjudicator.

This award may be won once per age division.

THE KATHY SCHMIDT PIANO PERFORMANCE AWARD:

The Piano Performance Award will be awarded to the winner of a competition between the winners of Piano C and D. The Award may not be won two consecutive years by any contestant. The competitors must also have qualified by meeting the scholarship requirements outlined in the Piano Division.

ORMTA PIANO TROPHY:

The ORMTA Trophy will be awarded to the winner of a competition between top performers in each piano division. Adjudicator's Choice, in Piano A, B, C and D.

DR. GEORGE E. LISTER MEMORIAL SENIOR STRINGS BOWL:

Open to string competitors, Grade/Level 7 and higher, who have entered *at least* three different classes at the same grade/level, placing 1st place in more than one class and selected at the discretion of the adjudicator. The recommendation to compete is based on the overall performance at the festival. There is no restriction on how many times this award may be won by the same person but cannot be won in two consecutive years. The winning of any other bowl or tray at the same Festival does not affect a competitor's eligibility to win this bowl.

FORT WILLIAM ROTARY CLUB JUNIOR STRINGS BOWL:

Open to string competitors, Grade/Level 3 to 6, who have entered *at least* three different classes at the same grade/level, placing 1st place in more than one class and selected at the discretion of the adjudicator. In the event of younger grades where no third category is available, the contestant will be chosen at the discretion of the adjudicator if the performance was outstanding and showed high quality and potential. The recommendation to compete is based on the overall performance at the festival. There is no restriction on how many times this award may be won by the same person but cannot be won in two consecutive years. The winning of any other bowl or tray at the same Festival does not affect a competitor's eligibility to win this bowl.

***There are no scholarships associated with the above bowls and trays.**

***The Rose Bowl, The Northern Lights Junior Pop Vocal Trophy, the Northern Lights Senior Pop Vocal Trophy, The Kathy Schmidt Piano Performance Award, Dr. George E. Lister Memorial Senior Strings Bowl and Fort William Rotary Club Junior Strings Bowl cannot be won two consecutive years.**

APPLAUZE PRODUCTIONS POP VOCAL AWARDS – Plaques sponsored by Applauze Productions and awarded to an Elementary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior/Open vocalist: An average mark will be taken from the three highest marks of competitors who have placed 1st or 2nd in at least three classes of the festival. The competitor receiving the highest average will be the recipient of this award. **This award can ONLY be won ONCE by a vocalist in each age category.**

THE FORT WILLIAM ROTARY CLUB JUNIOR AND SENIOR MUSICAL THEATRE AWARD: Sponsored by the Fort William Rotary Club. Competitors will qualify by competing in both the Ballad and Upbeat Musical Theatre Categories. Competitors for Junior will be from 12 & Under and 14 & Under and Senior 16 & Under and 18 & Under.

This award can ONLY be won ONCE by an individual vocalist.

THE JOAN KRISKO MEMORIAL PIANO SCHOLARSHIP:

Sponsored by the Fort William Rotary Club and established in memory of Joan Krisko who was a gifted and devoted pianist that gave her life to music education, her church and a life of service within the Thunder Bay community. She was a dedicated member and volunteer with the Fort William Rotary Club for many years.

This scholarship honors Joan's love of piano and recognizes a senior level piano student who exhibits remarkable music talent and distinguished performance ability

Scholarship in the amount of \$250.00

This Scholarship may not be won two consecutive years by any student.

THE LAKEHEAD MUSIC FESTIVAL CERTIFICATE:

Will be awarded to the winner in each instrumental class provided he/she has received a mark of 80% or over. A red seal, denoting Honors, will be affixed to the certificate of those winners receiving a mark of 75-82% in each test piece. A silver seal will be affixed to the certificate of those winners receiving 83-87%. A gold seal, denoting Distinguished Performance, will be affixed to the certificate of those winners receiving 88% marks or more in each test piece.

LFMA MEDALS:

Sponsored by the Lakehead Festival of Music and the Arts. Awarded to a mark of 90 or higher in Instrumental and vocal.

LFMA PINS:

Sponsored by the Lakehead Festival of Music and the Arts. These pins are awarded in recognition of Platinum, High Gold, Gold and High Silver achievement for a performance, and are presented to all competitors for Solos, Duets, Trios, Ensembles & Groups