New Brunswick competitors at the 2017 National Music Festival

From August 8th -12th, sixty-two (62) of Canada's best young amateur musicians from across the country, ranging in age from 14-27, were hosted in beautiful Ottawa, Ontario to compete and represent their province in eight [8] disciplines: piano, strings, voice, woodwinds, brass, classical guitar, chamber groups, and musical theatre. Competitions and master classes took place on the University of Ottawa campus.

The first place winners of each discipline competed for the Festival's Grand Award title and prize of \$5,000 on Saturday, August 12th, in Tabaret Hall, University of Ottawa. And the winner is...

NRS Foundation – Victoria Foundation GRAND AWARD WINNER for \$5,000

Performance Opportunity with the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra

PR Consultation with Liz Parker of LizPR

Naomi Ford, flautist from Moncton, New Brunswick



Naomi Ford New Brunswick in the Woodwind Class where she placed first, then went on to be named the Grand Award Winner.

Naomi is the student of Karen Aurell, and first competed in the Greater Moncton Music Festival.

Naomi is the first New Brunswicker to win the prestigious Grand Award at the National Music Festival since Measha [Bruegger]Gosman did so in 1996.

Congratulations Naomi!

The National Music Festival is presented annually by the Federation of Canadian Music Festivals.



Dakota Scott-Digout represented New Brunswick in Piano. He is the student of Dr. Stephen Runge. He advanced to the NB Provincial Music Festival from the NB Competitive Festival of Music in Saint John.



Julie Lavoie represented New Brunswick in Musical Theatre. She is the student of Melody Dobson. She advanced to the NB Provincial Music Festival from the Greater Moncton Music Festival