



**The New Brunswick Federation of Music Festivals Incorporated  
La Fédération des festivals de musique du Nouveau-Brunswick inc.**

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**June 4, 2018 – Press Release for the NB Provincial Music Festival Finals**

The New Brunswick Federation of Music Festivals held their 47<sup>th</sup> Provincial Music Festival this past week, May 29 – June 2 in Sackville, New Brunswick. Approximately 110 young musicians from around the province, who had been recommended as their local festival representatives by the adjudicators at those festivals, competed in the five-day competitive festival. This year we were pleased to have representation from eleven local festivals.

The NB Federation of Music Festivals, the umbrella organization for the fourteen local festivals around the province, sponsors the NB Provincial Music Festival which is under the direction of the Executive Director, Barbara Long, President Rhéal Fournier, and a Board of Directors made up of representatives from various local festivals. The Marjorie Young Bell Conservatory, Mount Allison University, was the venue for three levels of competition.

The adjudicators for this prestigious event are specialists in their field:

Voice and Musical Theatre: Joy McFarlane-Burton

Piano: Thomas Davidson

Strings: Natalie Williams-Calhoun

Brass and Woodwind: Nicole Strum

Percussion: Dr. Joel Cormier

Original Composition: Ryan Kirk

The Provincial Music Festival offers three levels of competition – Junior, Intermediate and Senior. The winners of the competition are:

**Junior Competition**

Voice:	1 <sup>st</sup> Leah Jones [Carleton County Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lauren Hale [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jacinthe Bernier [Victoria County Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Augusta Downey [Fredericton Music Festival]
Piano:	1 <sup>st</sup> Yulin He [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Justin Roh [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Gary Shao [Fredericton Music Festival]
Strings:	1 <sup>st</sup> Ryan Nikmaram [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bolin Shi [Fredericton music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nghi Do [Nackawic Music Festival]
Woodwind:	1 <sup>st</sup> Calvin Rowe [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Simone Cameron [Sackville Music Festival]
Brass:	1 <sup>st</sup> James Farhoud-Watt [Fredericton Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Selena Tenass [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Marisol Gingras [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
Chamber Ensemble:	1 <sup>st</sup> Nghi Do, Kirsten Simpson, Glorietta Benigno [Fredericton Music Festival]
Musical Theatre:	1 <sup>st</sup> Natalie London [NB Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Leah Jones [Carleton County Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Maggie Jones [Festival of Musical Arts [Florenceville-Bristol]]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Madison Mulherin [Victoria County Music Festival]

**Intermediate Competition:**

Voice:	1 <sup>st</sup> Mélanie Dupuis [Fredericton Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sarah MacLoon [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Zachary Boulanger [Sussex Regional Music Festival]
Piano:	1 <sup>st</sup> Adèle LeBlanc [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jonathan Ryu [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Austin Tao [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
Strings:	1 <sup>st</sup> Helen [Chengrong] Li [Fredericton Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Maggie Kerr [Fredericton Music Festival]

	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gerry Zhang [Nackawic Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nina Cruz [Nackawic Music Festival]
Woodwind:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Meijin Wu [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sophia Choi [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Noémie Comeau Godin [Bathurst Music Festival de Bathurst]
Brass:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Abigail Ford [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Moncton]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Grace Hamilton [Sackville Music Festival]
Chamber Ensemble:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Maestoso – Maggie Zheng, Andreea Vasiliu, Dionysios Stefanakis, Mia McLean [Nackawic Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bianca Cruz, Alicia Ingalls, Helen [Chengrong] Li [Fredericton Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nina Cruz, Gerry Zhang, Phillip Ingalls [Fredericton Music Festival]
Musical Theatre:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Zachary Boulanger [Sussex Regional Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rose Messenger [Fredericton Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mélanie Dupuis [Fredericton Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sarah MacLoon [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
Canadian Composer:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Christelinda Laureijs [Sackville Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sophia Choi [Greater Moncton Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]

#### Senior Competition:

Voice:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Skylar Cameron [Sackville Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Madeleine Albert [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sarah Sharpe [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
Piano:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Chelsea Ahn [NB Competitive Festival of Music in Saint John]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Martine Jomphe [Sackville Music Festival]
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ye-Eun Lee [NB Competitive Festival of Music in Saint John]
Strings:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Alicia Ingalls [Fredericton Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Conor Britt [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
Woodwind:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sung-Ho [David] Kwon [Sackville Music Festival]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ariane Saulnier [Bathurst Music Festival de Bathurst]
Percussion:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jocelyn Blanchette [Greater Moncton Music Festival de musique du Grand Moncton]
Musical Theatre:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Monet Comeau [New Brunswick Competitive Festival of Music [Saint John]]
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Allie Jeffery [Fredericton Music Festival]

#### The adjudicators recommended the following competitors to represent NB at the 2018 National Music Festival in Sackville, NB August 12-16:

Skylar Cameron, Voice  
 Chelsea Ahn, Piano  
 Alicia Ingalls, Strings  
 Sung-Ho [David] Kwon, Woodwinds  
 Jocelyn Blanchette, Percussion  
 Monet Comeau, Musical Theatre

#### Prizes:

First place winners in Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Choral categories received a cash prize. Gold, silver and bronze medals for Junior and Intermediate winners were sponsored by Terrence and Margaret Ann Craig.

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