



44th Anniversary - 2025

Kiwaniis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 44th annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Many thanks to our participants, adjudicators, visitors, donors and sponsors, organizers, volunteers, Board and Committee members, media guests, and venues. We look forward to another wonderful Festival and hope you enjoy this valuable contribution to the cultural life of Guelph and Wellington County.

Please remember that the performers need absolute silence and you must wait to enter or leave the hall until there is a break in the performance. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices. Photos and videos of performances may be taken if the performer has given their permission, but no flash photography and absolutely no recording of the adjudication is permitted. Please remain in your seat and be discreet while recording.

**Please join us for the Highlights of the Festival Concert & Awards Ceremony
on Saturday, May 10 at St. George's Church at 7 pm.**

**It will feature some of the finest performances heard during the Festival,
as well as the presentation of medals and scholarships.**

Tickets: \$20/Adults, \$5/Students & Children – Visit gkmf.ca/events

Junior Strings Adjudicator

Esme Allen-Creighton

Violist and violinist Esme Allen-Creighton, BM, MM, DMA, is a Juilliard-trained Suzuki Certified Violin Pedagogue who has worked with students of all ages across North America. Faculty positions have included: Juilliard School's Music Advancement Program, Brooklyn College, State University of New York (SUNY) Potsdam, the University of Delaware, the Philadelphia Orchestra Teaching Artist Program, and most recently the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto.

Esme lives in Hamilton, ON and performs throughout the GTA. Recently she's appeared with the Odin Quartet, The Esprit Orchestra, Toronto Concert Orchestra and Orquesta Solidaridad, an all-female tango ensemble. Previously she performed frequently with Grammy-nominated Inscape Chamber Orchestra, toured Europe as principal of the Arcos Orchestra, and debuted works at Carnegie Hall as violist of the Serafin Quartet.



Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Saturday, April 5, 2025 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

12:15 PM CLASS S473

String Orchestra - Junior - N/C

Any combination of string instruments; 9 or more players, one or more players per part.

Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. Tanglewood

Joy Schuster - Guelph

2. GYMC Junior String Orchestra

Joy Schuster - Guelph

3. Cambridge Youth Orchestra

Joy Schuster - Cambridge

1:15 PM CLASS S472

String Orchestra - Intermediate - N/C

Any combination of string instruments; 9 or more players, one or more players per part.

Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. GYMC Intermediate String Orchestra

Joy Schuster - Guelph

1:40 PM CLASS S457

String Ensemble - Large Ensemble

Junior - N/C

Minimum of 6 like string instruments.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Kanneh-Mason Cello Ensemble

Andrea Cook - Guelph

2. Delbaere-Sawchuck Viola Ensemble

Carmen Evans - Guelph

3. Anantawan Violin Ensemble

Carmen Evans - Guelph

2:25 PM CLASS S456

String Ensemble - Large Ensemble

Intermediate - N/C

Minimum of 6 like string instruments.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Djokic Cello Ensemble

Peggy Lin - Guelph

2. Murray Group Class

Lauren Taylor - Guelph

3. Hadelich Group Class

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3:10 PM CLASS S872

String Orchestra - Intermediate

Any combination of string instruments; 9 or more players, one or more players per part.

Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. Nova Youth Chamber Orchestra

Anton Yeretsky - Toronto

3:35 PM CLASS S507

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 13 & Under

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Anthony Chen - Oakville

3:45 PM CLASS S628

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 4 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Shuxuan (Sophia) Zhang - Oakville

3:55 PM CLASS S625A

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 7 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Anthony Chen - Oakville

2. Ruozhu Zhang - Oakville

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Saturday, April 5, 2025 - Evening
GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

5:00 PM CLASS S105

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 17 & Under - N/C
*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Violet Costanzo Miners - Guelph
2. Bennett Fleming - Guelph
3. Olin Sarkis-Skinner - Rockwood

5:25 PM CLASS S227

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 5 or Equivalent - N/C
Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Seah Han - Guelph
2. Lucas Ni - Guelph
3. Remi Lootens - Guelph
4. Ciara O'Carroll - Guelph

5:55 PM CLASS S110B

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 7 & Under - N/C
*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 5 minutes.*

1. Lochlan McAlister - Guelph
2. Jemma Beucler - Guelph
3. Blake Roberts - Guelph
4. Saralyn Ni - Guelph

6:25 PM CLASS S127B

Concert Group - Junior - 10 & Over - N/C
Own choice of two or three contrasting pieces with accompaniment. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Nellie Oh - Guelph

6:35 PM CLASS S108A

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 11 & Under - N/C
*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Daniel Li - Guelph
2. Isabella Bistrivoda - Cambridge
3. Julian Stephens - Guelph

7:00 PM CLASS S225

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 7 or Equivalent - N/C
Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Julian Stephens - Guelph

7:10 PM CLASS S358

Adult - Junior Concert Group
Grades 1 - 4/Suzuki Book 1 - 4 - N/C
Own choice of one or two pieces at specified Grade level. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Safa Yusuf

7:25 PM CLASS S677

Etudes - Grade 5 - 2 Etudes
Own choice of stated number of etudes appropriate to Grade level being studied. Time limit of 6 minutes.

1. Charis Lee - Oakville

7:40 PM CLASS S517

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 15 & Under
*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Hannah Hsu - Oakville

7:50 PM CLASS S509

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 9 & Under
*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Shannon Urrutia - Cambridge

8:00 PM CLASS S836

String Quartet/Quintet - 11 & Under
*Any combination of four or five string instruments.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. ABC's Quartet - Oakville

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Sunday, April 6, 2025 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

9:00 AM CLASS S416A

String Duo - 11 & Under - N/C

Any two string instruments.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Moira Percy & Valerie Eckert** - Guelph

9:10 AM CLASS S106

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 15 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Owen Percy** - Guelph

9:20 AM CLASS S119

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 11 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Valerie Eckert** - Guelph

2. **Jasmine Binkley** - Guleph

3. **Moira Percy** - Guelph

4. **Elsa Hegedus** - Halton Hills

5. **Davi Maldaner** - Guelph

6. **Nella VanderSteen** - Guelph

10:15 AM CLASS S128A

Concert Group - Junior - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of two or three contrasting pieces with accompaniment. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Melody Binkley** - Guleph

2. **Lila Stoup** - Guelph

3. **Isla Botelho** - Georgetown

4. **Theo Samarasekera** - Guelph

10:55 AM CLASS S109A

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Andy Londos** - Guelph

2. **Aurora Miller** - Guelph

3. **Madeleine Pierre** - Guelph

4. **Quinn Bokhaut** - Guelph

11:30 AM CLASS S127A

Concert Group - Junior - 10 & Over - N/C

Own choice of two or three contrasting pieces with accompaniment. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Rosie Londos** - Guelph

11:40 AM CLASS S109B

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Hudson Maloney** - Guelph

11:50 AM CLASS S128B

Concert Group - Junior - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of two or three contrasting pieces with accompaniment. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. **Finn Maloney** - Guelph

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Sunday, April 6, 2025 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

1:30 PM CLASS S411

String Duo - 20 & Over - N/C

Any two string instruments.

Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Gillian Hewson & Rebecca Landy - Guelph

1:40 PM CLASS S120A

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Aaron Samarasekera - Guelph
2. Arthur Fish - Guelph
3. Bento Maldaner - Guelph
4. Jack Roberts - Guelph
5. Mayzie Landy - Guelph

2:20 PM CLASS S110A

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 7 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 5 minutes.

1. Georgia White - Guelph
2. Felix Messer - Guelph
3. Rosalie Botelho - Georgetown

2:50 PM CLASS S226A

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 6 or Equivalent - N/C

Own choice of one or two movements with

accompaniment.

1. Ella Landy - Guelph
2. Isabella Bistrivoda - Cambridge
3. Lucas Jin - Guelph
4. Clara Hegedus - Halton Hills

3:30 PM CLASS S107A

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 13 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Olivia Gomes - Guelph
2. Claire Gomes - Guelph
3. Lucas Jin - Guelph

3:55 PM CLASS S156

Classical Sonatas/Sonatinas - Violin/Viola

Grade 6 or Equivalent - N/C

Own choice of one or two movements of a Sonata or Sonatina from the Classical period with accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Lucas Jin - Guelph

4:05 PM CLASS S563

Classical Sonatas/Sonatinas - Cello/Doublebass

Grade 6 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements of a Sonata or Sonatina from the Classical period with accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Olivia Wang - Oakville

4:15 PM CLASS S521

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 7 & Under

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 5 minutes.

1. Audrey Zhang - Oakville

4:25 PM CLASS S543A

Baroque Sonatas - Cello/Doublebass

Grade 6 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Olivia Wang - Oakville
2. Audrey Zhang - Oakville

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6:00 PM CLASS S625B

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 7 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Ethan Hu - Mississauga

6:10 PM CLASS S605

20th & 21st Century - Violin/Viola Grade 7 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements from a complete work OR an individual piece with or without accompaniment from the 20th or 21st Century. Time limit of 16 minutes.

1. Ethan Hu - Mississauga

6:25 PM CLASS S528

Concert Group - Junior - 9 & Under

Own choice of two or three contrasting pieces with accompaniment. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Angela Kong - Guelph
2. Ada Zhou - Oakville
3. Isabelle Li - Oakville
4. Kelly Shen - Oakville

7:05 PM CLASS S624A

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 8 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Hannah Zhou - Oakville

7:20 PM CLASS S118A

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 13 & Under - N/C

*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Jesse Sommerfeld - Ariss
2. Dexter Cuthbertson - Fergus

7:35 PM CLASS S116

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 17 & Under - N/C

*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Graydon Cuthbertson - Fergus

7:40 PM CLASS S413A

String Duo - 17 & Under - N/C

*Any two string instruments.
Time limit of 12 minutes.*

1. Dexter & Graydon Cuthbertson - Guelph

7:55 PM CLASS S144

Baroque Sonatas - Cello/Doublebass Grade 5 or Equivalent - N/C

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Grace Schuurman - Guelph

8:05 PM CLASS S117

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 15 & Under - N/C

*Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.
Time limit of 10 minutes.*

1. Callum Durward - Guelph

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Monday, April 7, 2025 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

9:00 AM CLASS S366

String/Piano Duo - 11 & Under - N/C

Any string instrument and piano.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Julian Stephens & Amelia Han - Guelph

9:10 AM CLASS S109C

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Mason Poon Tip - Guelph
2. Joey Wilmer - Fergus
3. Francis Wilmer - Fergus
4. Amelia Han - Guelph
5. Sam Wright - Fergus
6. Mildred Saliwonchyk - Guelph

9:50 AM CLASS S111

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 5 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 5 minutes.

1. Margaret (Maggie) Wright - Fergus

10:00 AM CLASS S226B

Concertos - Violin/Viola - Grade 6 or Equivalent - N/C

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment.

1. Mildred Saliwonchyk - Guelph
2. Willa Lootens - Guelph
3. Kira Mulholland - Guelph

10:25 AM CLASS S417

String Duo - 9 & Under - N/C

Any two string instruments.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Mildred Saliwonchyk & Willa Lootens - Guelph

10:35 AM CLASS S107B

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 13 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Pardis Esmaeilsabzali - Guelph
2. Kira Mulholland - Guelph

10:50 AM CLASS S121

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 7 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 5 minutes.

1. Malik Sarkis-Skinner - Rockwood
2. Navid Esmaeilsabzali - Guelph

11:05 AM CLASS S108B

Concert Piece - Violin/Viola - 11 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Sreedhar Pillai - Guelph
2. Calista An - Guelph
3. Oliver Utrera-Paciulan - Guelph

11:35 AM CLASS S136

Baroque Sonatas - Violin/Viola

Grade 6 or Equivalent - N/C

Own choice of one or two movements with accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Sreenivas Pillai - Guelph
2. Olin Sarkis-Skinner - Rockwood

11:50 AM CLASS S416

String Duo - 11 & Under - N/C

Any two string instruments.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Sreedhar & Sreenivas Pillai - Guelph

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Monday, April 7, 2025 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Esme Allen-Creighton

1:15 PM CLASS S245

Sonatas/Partitas/Suites Unaccompanied

Intermediate - Grades 5 - 7/Suzuki Book 5 - 6 - N/C

Own choice of one or two contrasting movements.

Time limit of 12 minutes

1. Megan An - Guelph

1:25 PM CLASS S118B

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 13 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Jozio Lipkowski - Guelph

2. Theo An - Guelph

1:40 PM CLASS S120B

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 9 & Under - N/C

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Zeben Girardi-Barrett - Guelph

2. Summer Xu - Guelph

3. Kasia Lipkowski - Guelph

4. Tomek Lipkowski - Guelph

5. Emily An - Guelph

2:20 PM CLASS S519

Concert Piece - Cello/Doublebass - 11 & Under

Own choice of one piece with accompaniment.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Ethan Lai - Mississauga

2:30 PM CLASS S543B

Baroque Sonatas - Cello/Doublebass

Grade 6 or Equivalent

Own choice of one or two movements with

accompaniment. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Ethan Lai - Mississauga

2:40 PM CLASS S646

Sonatas/Partitas/Suites Unaccompanied

Junior - Grades 1 - 4/Suzuki Book 1 - 4

Own choice of one or two contrasting movements.

Time limit of 12 minutes

1. Ethan Lai - Mississauga