



45th Anniversary - 2026

Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 45th 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 9 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

Guitar Adjudicator

Dr. Daniel Ramjattan

Dr. Daniel Ramjattan is an active international concert soloist and chamber musician, recording artist, expert in music performance anxiety, and award-winning guitar instructor based in Toronto, having premiered and recorded dozens of chamber and solo works for guitar in concerts and studio recordings. He has given recitals in Austria, Italy, Germany, the United States, Trinidad and Tobago, Japan, and across Canada.

CBC Radio, WholeNote and Musicurate Magazine, and podcasts like "Conversations with Musicians" have featured his debut studio album, "Inspirations: New Works for Solo Guitar," which streams on all major platforms. He has recorded for Siccas Guitars, the most popular classical guitar platform on Youtube, and regularly releases recordings on his own channel.

Daniel became the head of classical guitar at Wilfrid Laurier University in 2020 and joined the Faculty at the RCM's Oscar Peterson School in 2024. His students have received top awards at the OMFA provincial guitar competition from the Grade 2 to the Open level category and the RCM Gold medal, and past students have gone on to win international competitions upon graduation.

CBC's the National and dozens of major universities and arts organizations across Canada, the U.S., and the West Indies have invited him as a guest speaker on music performance anxiety, the topic of his Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Toronto. He regularly gives masterclasses and adjudicates in festivals across Canada at the national and local level. His past mentors include Jorge Caballero, Jeffrey McFadden, Patrick Roux, and Bruce Holzman.

Website: Danielramjattan.com



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Tuesday, April 14, 2026 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Daniel Ramjattan

9:00 AM CLASS G109

Concert Group - Grade 3

Own choice of two contrasting pieces or two movements of a larger work. Time limit of 5 minutes.

1. Julian Henighan - Guelph

9:15 AM CLASS G178

Popular - Solo - Junior

Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.

1. Kingston Groen - Guelph
2. Joshua Kent - Guelph
3. Aaron Rogerson - Guelph

9:55 AM CLASS G177

Popular - Solo - Intermediate

Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.

1. Harry Ji - Guelph
2. Dexter Boyd - Guelph
3. Evie Mackintosh - Guelph

10:40 AM CLASS G176

Popular - Solo - Advanced

Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.

1. Holt Briden - Guelph

10:55 AM CLASS G157

Ensembles - Intermediate - Grades 5 - 7

Two or three pieces. Two or more acoustic instruments: two or more guitars or guitar and other melodic instrument(s). Own choice of one piece.

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Melodie Downton - Guelph