



# Annapolis Valley Music Festival

## Spring 2024

### Fiddle Syllabus

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## RULES

Please see the General Rules for a complete list of rules. **Beginning in 2024 participants may enter either a live or virtual class. For a virtual class, videos and scans of music must be submitted at the time of registration to gm@avmf.ca.**

1. It is the responsibility of every teacher or ensemble conductor (to become familiar with the rules and regulations because they will be adhered to through-out the festival. )
2. All competitions, unless otherwise stated, shall be open to any competitors without regard to domicile, provided they are residents or students in the Province of Nova Scotia, or who study virtually with a teacher in our catchment area.
3. All entries must be fully completed on the appropriate entry form. A separate entry form must be used for each class.

4. All competitions, unless otherwise stated, shall be open to amateurs only. Professionals may enter the classes marked "Senior/Open", except in senior provincial classes.
5. In like classes, participants may enter in one class only (e.g. if you enter Grade 1 List A, you are not allowed to enter Grade 2 List A). However, you may enter Grade 1 List A and Grade 2 List B because they are different categories.
6. All classes have both a Competitive (C) and a Non-competitive (NC) option. Please indicate "for comments only" on your registration form if you would like to be non-competitive.
7. Eligibility for all trophies and prizes is determined by the results of Competitive classes.
8. Concert Attire is required for competitors and accompanists for both test classes and "Stars of the Festival" Concerts. Performers are encouraged to treat all classes like a public performance and wear appropriate attire.
9. In classes where an age limit is set, the competitor shall not be over the specified age limit as of December 31st of the previous year.
10. In Own Choice classes, each competitor chooses their selection, keeping in mind the quality and standard of the music. Where time limits are stated, competitors must adhere to the rules. The score MUST HAVE NUMBERED MEASURES. Markings do not need to be erased.
11. All Own Choice selections must be listed on the entry form; **TBA selections will not be accepted.**
12. Participants, parents and teachers are not permitted to go to the adjudicator's desk to speak to the adjudicator at any time. Should you have questions, or comments, please send them via email to our festival administrator at [gm@avmf.ca](mailto:gm@avmf.ca).
13. In all Concert Group or Own Choice classes, selections must not have been performed by the contestant in another class in the current Festival or in the Festival of the previous year.
14. In duet or duo classes, one competitor may not perform the same part twice.
15. Any contestant wishing to enter the Festival, who cannot find a class to accommodate his/her/their musical instrument or group should contact [syllabus@avmf.ca](mailto:syllabus@avmf.ca) or call us at 902-385-3378 (FEST). Your request will be considered by the Festival Committee.

16. Outstanding participants of the Festival will be selected by the Adjudicators to perform in the “Stars of the Festival” concerts.
17. If a selection exceeds the time limit specified in the syllabus, the contestant may be stopped by the Adjudicator.
18. Competitors must check in 15 minutes before the class is scheduled to begin. Their music should be well marked and left with the front of house staff.
19. At the conclusion of each class the Adjudicator may announce the marks of the top three competitors only. Comments may be general or individual, at the Adjudicator’s discretion.
20. A contestant requesting to play at another time than the designated time of the class , unless a conflict exists between classes entered in the festival, **will be marked as a Non-competitive entry.**
21. **COMPETITORS MUST SUPPLY SCORES FOR THE ADJUDICATORS**, which they must hand in prior to the classes in which they are performing during live festivals, or via email to [info@avmf.ca](mailto:info@avmf.ca) as a pdf at the time of registration for virtual festival. If no music is supplied, five marks may be deducted.
22. **NO PHOTOCOPIES FOR ADJUDICATOR, PERFORMER OR ACCOMPANIST ARE PERMITTED**, unless accompanied by a letter of consent from the copyright owner or publisher. A performer using a photocopy will be disqualified. Downloaded music is permitted provided proof of purchase is supplied.
23. If contestants wish to be eligible for the Provincial Festival they must enter the required class (es) as stipulated in the syllabus for their instrument or voice.
24. Competitors are asked to notify the festival ([info@avmf.ca](mailto:info@avmf.ca)) or 902-385-3378 (FEST) of any cancellation at least 24 hours in advance.

The current RCM syllabus is available for download at:

<https://www.rcmusic.com/learning/examinations/academic-resources-and-policies/syllabi> \*\*

## **FIDDLE SOLO**

Contestants must play: waltz, jig and reel in that order. Time limit: 4 minutes. Tunes must be of accepted oldtime variety.

Accompanists may chord or play melody. (Winners are encouraged to go on to the Maritime Fiddling Festival). Own Choice

### **LIVE JUNIOR FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4701** FIDDLE SOLO: 9 and under \$20.00

**FD4702** FIDDLE SOLO: 12 and under \$20.00

**FD4703** FIDDLE SOLO: 15 and under \$20.00

**FD4706** FIDDLE SOLO: Beginner \$20.00

**FD 4707** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior A \$20.00

**FD4708** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior B \$20.00

**FD4709** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior C \$20.00

**FD 4710** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior D \$20.00

### **VIRTUAL JUNIOR FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4701V** FIDDLE SOLO: 9 and under \$20.00

**FD4702V** FIDDLE SOLO: 12 and under \$20.00

**FD4703V** FIDDLE SOLO: 15 and under \$20.00

**FD4706V** FIDDLE SOLO: Beginner \$20.00

**FD 4707V** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior A \$20.00

**FD4708V** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior B \$20.00

**FD4709V** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior C \$20.00

**FD 4710V** FIDDLE SOLO: Junior D \$20.00

### **LIVE INTERMEDIATE FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4711** FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate Beginner \$25.00

**FD 4712** FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate A \$25.00

**FD4713** FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate B \$25.00

**FD4714** FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate C \$25.00

**FD 4715** FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate D \$25.00

**FD4716 FIDDLE SOLO: 16 and under – Own Choice \$25.00**

**VIRTUAL INTERMEDIATE FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4711V FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate Beginner \$25.00**

**FD 4712V FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate A \$25.00**

**FD4713V FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate B \$25.00**

**FD4714V FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate C \$25.00**

**FD 4715V FIDDLE SOLO: Intermediate D \$25.00**

**FD4716V FIDDLE SOLO: 16 and under – Own Choice \$25.00**

**LIVE SENIOR FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4717 FIDDLE SOLO: Senior Beginner \$30.00**

**FD4718 FIDDLE SOLO: Senior A \$30.00**

**FD4719 FIDDLE SOLO: Senior B \$30.00**

**FD4720 FIDDLE SOLO: Senior C \$30.00**

**FD 4721 FIDDLE SOLO: Senior D \$30.00**

**FD4722 FIDDLE SOLO: 18 and under – Own Choice \$30.00**

**VIRTUAL SENIOR FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4717V FIDDLE SOLO: Senior Beginner \$30.00**

**FD4718V FIDDLE SOLO: Senior A \$30.00**

**FD4719V FIDDLE SOLO: Senior B \$30.00**

**FD4720V FIDDLE SOLO: Senior C \$30.00**

**FD 4721V FIDDLE SOLO: Senior D \$30.00**

**FD4722V FIDDLE SOLO: 18 and under – Own Choice \$30.00**

### **LIVE OPEN FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4723** FIDDLE SOLO: Open Beginner \$35.00

**FD4724** FIDDLE SOLO: Open \$35.00

### **VIRTUAL OPEN FIDDLE SOLO**

**FD4723V** FIDDLE SOLO: Open Beginner \$35.00

**FD4724V** FIDDLE SOLO: Open \$35.00

### **LIVE FIDDLE FOLK SOLOS**

Contestants must play a waltz and one Own Choice selection.

**FD4725** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior Beginner \$20.00

**FD4726** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior A \$20.00

**FD4727** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior B \$20.00

**FD4728** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior C \$20.00

**FD4729** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior D \$20.00

**FD4730** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate Beginner \$25.00

**FD4731** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate A \$25.00

**FD4732** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate B \$25.00

**FD4733** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate C \$25.00

**FD4734** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate D \$25.00

**FD4735** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior Beginner \$30.00

**FD4736** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior A \$30.00

**FD4737** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior B \$30.00

**FD4738** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior C \$30.00

**FD4739** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior D \$30.00

**FD4740** FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Open Beginner \$35.00

**FD4741 FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Open \$35.00**

## **VIRTUAL FIDDLE FOLK SOLOS**

Contestants must play a waltz and one Own Choice selection.

**FD4725V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior Beginner \$20.00**

**FD4726V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior A \$20.00**

**FD4727V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior B \$20.00**

**FD4728V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior C \$20.00**

**FD4729V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Junior D \$20.00**

**FD4730V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate Beginner \$25.00**

**FD4731V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate A \$25.00**

**FD4732V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate B \$25.00**

**FD4733V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate C \$25.00**

**FD4734V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Intermediate D \$25.00**

**FD4735V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior Beginner \$30.00**

**FD4736V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior A \$30.00**

**FD4737V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior B \$30.00**

**FD4738V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior C \$30.00**

**FD4739V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Senior D \$30.00**

**FD4740V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Open Beginner \$35.00**

**FD4741V FIDDLE FOLK SOLO: Open \$35.00**

## **LIVE FIDDLE DUET**

Each participant must play a fiddle. Each duet may have an accompanist. Tunes must be a waltz, breakdown/reel, and a contrasting tune of your choice.

**FD4742** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Junior \$20.00  
**FD4743** FIDDLE DUET: Junior A \$20.00  
**FD4744** FIDDLE DUET: Junior B \$20.00  
**FD4745** FIDDLE DUET: Junior C \$20.00  
**FD4746** FIDDLE DUET: Junior D \$20.00  
**FD4747** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Intermediate \$25.00  
**FD4748** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate A \$25.00  
**FD4749** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate B \$25.00  
**FD4750** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate C \$25.00  
**FD4751** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate D \$25.00  
**FD4752** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Senior \$30.00  
**FD4753** FIDDLE DUET: Senior A \$30.00  
**FD4754** FIDDLE DUET: Senior B \$30.00  
**FD 4755** FIDDLE DUET: Senior C \$30.00  
**FD4756** FIDDLE DUET: Senior D \$30.00  
**FD4757** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Open \$35.00  
**FD4758** FIDDLE DUET: Open Own Choice \$35.00  
**FD4759** FIDDLE DUET: Teacher and student (Non-competitive) \$20.00

## **VIRTUAL FIDDLE DUET**

Each participant must play a fiddle. Each duet may have an accompanist. Tunes must be a waltz, breakdown/reel, and a contrasting tune of your choice.

**FD4742V** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Junior \$20.00  
**FD4743V** FIDDLE DUET: Junior A \$20.00  
**FD4744V** FIDDLE DUET: Junior B \$20.00  
**FD4745V** FIDDLE DUET: Junior C \$20.00



**FD4746V** FIDDLE DUET: Junior D \$20.00  
**FD4747V** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Intermediate \$25.00  
**FD4748V** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate A \$25.00  
**FD4749V** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate B \$25.00  
**FD4750V** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate C \$25.00  
**FD4751V** FIDDLE DUET: Intermediate D \$25.00  
**FD4752V** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Senior \$30.00  
**FD4753V** FIDDLE DUET: Senior A \$30.00  
**FD4754V** FIDDLE DUET: Senior B \$30.00  
**FD4755V** FIDDLE DUET: Senior C \$30.00  
**FD4756V** FIDDLE DUET: Senior D \$30.00  
**FD4757V** FIDDLE DUET: Beginner Open \$35.00  
**FD4758V** FIDDLE DUET: Open Own Choice \$35.00  
**FD4759V** FIDDLE DUET: Teacher and student (Non-competitive) \$20.00

## **LIVE FIDDLE GROUP**

A group is defined as 3 or more players. Each participant must play a fiddle. Each group may have one accompanist. Tunes must be a waltz, breakdown/reel, and a contrasting tune of your choice.

**FD4760** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Junior \$20.00  
**FD4761** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior A \$20.00  
**FD4762** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior B \$20.00  
**FD 4763** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior C \$20.00  
**FD4764** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior D \$20.00  
**FD4765** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Intermediate \$25.00  
**FD4766** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate A \$25.00  
**FD4767** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate B \$25.00

**FD4768** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate C \$25.00  
**FD4769** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate D \$25.00  
**FD4770** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Senior \$30.00  
**FD4771** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior A \$30.00  
**FD4772** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior B \$30.00  
**FD 4773** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior C \$30.00  
**FD4774** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior D \$30.00  
**FD4775** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Open \$35.00  
**FD 4776** FIDDLE GROUP: Open \$35.00

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**FD4760V** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Junior \$20.00  
**FD4761V** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior A \$20.00  
**FD4762V** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior B \$20.00  
**FD4763V** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior C \$20.00  
**FD4764V** FIDDLE GROUP: Junior D \$20.00  
**FD4765V** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Intermediate \$25.00  
**FD4766V** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate A \$25.00  
**FD4767V** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate B \$25.00  
**FD4768V** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate C \$25.00  
**FD4769V** FIDDLE GROUP: Intermediate D \$25.00  
**FD4770V** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Senior \$30.00  
**FD4771V** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior A \$30.00  
**FD4772V** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior B \$30.00

**FD4773V** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior C \$30.00

**FD4774V** FIDDLE GROUP: Senior D \$30.00

**FD4775V** FIDDLE GROUP: Beginner Open \$35.00

**FD4776V** FIDDLE GROUP: Open \$35.00

### **MASTER CLASS FOR FIDDLE - Not offered for virtual entries**

The Master Class for Fiddle is not competitive, but is only open to those participants who have performed in a competitive solo class at the Junior D, Intermediate D Senior or Open level. Repertoire must be the piece performed in the appropriate competitive class. The student and their teacher should carefully consider the selection of the piece for the Master Class.

### **Provincial Music Festival**

There is not currently a class in the Nova Scotia Provincial Music Festival for Fiddle; however competitors are encouraged to register in the Nova Scotia Fiddling Competition.