



BCMEA – listserv newsletter (February 2019)

Hello Music Educators!

Below is the February listserv newsletter for you all to enjoy.

If you have any information that should be sent out to the BCMEA membership, (projects you're working on, Concert Programs, etc.) please email our president (Mandart Chan) at bcmusiced@gmail.com by the **25th of each month**. We would love to hear from you!!

Jaymi Daniels

First-Vice President
BC Music Educators' Association

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<http://www.naxosmusiclibrary.com>

Pacific Symphonic Wind Ensemble Composer Initiative:

Dear Esteemed Colleagues,

The Pacific Symphonic Wind Ensemble (PSWE) is excited to announce the inaugural PSWE Composer Initiative. This is a unique opportunity for up to 3 students—under the age of 35—to experience the art of composing for wind ensembles with the ultimate prize of having their work performed by PSWE in June 2019 and adopted into PSWE Repertoire. The selected composers will have works included in the final cycle for the PSWE season including a performance and live-recording.

Currently conducted by Music Director David Branter; PSWE boasts many of the area's finest wind and percussion musicians: from professional musicians, dedicated music educators, and outstanding amateur players. PSWE has worked with composers, conductors and soloists to perform new and experimental works in addition to the classics of the wind ensemble repertoire. With an active support of student musicians; PSWE has the mandate to promote performing opportunities for music students of all ages. PSWE had the honourable invitation to be featured at the 2015 World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles Conference (San Jose); marking the 10th anniversary of PSWE's performance at the 1995 WASBE Conference (Singapore).

Information for the initiative can be found on our website:

[PSWE Composer Initiative](#)

Deadline:

March 15th, 2019

BCMEA Honour Ensembles:

Do you have an outstanding student in your music program? The BCMEA Honour Ensembles are looking for exceptional music students from across the province to come together to form the 2019 BCMEA Honour Choir, Honour Jazz Band, Honour String Orchestra, Honour Vocal Jazz, and Honour Wind Ensemble. Auditions are due on Friday, April 12. Please visit <http://bcmusiced.ca/ensembles/> for all the audition information.



Join the Vancouver Symphony for
***Crescendo: A Professional Development
Symposium for Music Specialist Teachers***

February 22, 2019
at the VSO School of Music

Crescendo features sessions on teaching band, strings,
choir, elementary music, and jazz plus lots more:

- instrumental techniques workshops taught by VSO musicians
- expert clinicians Fiona Blackburn, Adam Con, Jeanette Gallant, Jonathan Girard, Pamela Hetrick, and Christin Reardon MacLellan, presenting on a variety of music education topics
- Keynote performance with VSO Brass Quintet and award-winning jazz pianist and vocalist Champion Fulton
- Special sessions: Indigenous Education in the Music Classroom: Tools and Techniques; and open discussion about music education policy and advocacy in BC
- option to observe a VSO rehearsal
- opportunity to network and collaborate with colleagues from greater Vancouver and beyond
- outstanding facilities at the VSO School of Music
- catered lunch for all delegates
- 2 complimentary VSO tickets for all delegates

Registration Now Open!

www.vancouversymphony.ca/education/crescendo



Selkirk Montessori School, Victoria B.C.:

Selkirk Montessori is seeking a Music Teacher for grades 4-8.

This job could be a four day a week job for a diversely experienced candidate, or broken up into 2 different jobs (grade 4 and 5 stringed instruments; grades 6-8 band)
We are accepting applications from candidates with the following:

Education:

- Bachelor of Education with a focus on Music or Music Education degree
- Expertise and creativity in teaching band

Experience:

- Teaching stringed instruments (this may be guitars, ukulele, or violin and cello)
- Teaching band
- Strings experience an asset
- Working in a school setting
- Collaborating with community resources and events

Other skills and qualities:

- excellent communication skills and rapport with students
- a joy for working with youth of all different experiences and abilities
- ability to build creativity into the process of learning music
- investment in developing a culture of celebrating and participating in music through curriculum, special events, and extra-curricular opportunities
- strong organizational skills

Our students have the advantage of a strong music program right from age three. They have, generally, developed a love of music and enjoy the opportunity to influence their own experience. Candidates would appreciate the flexibility and challenges of a smaller band to explore classical, jazz, and rock band experiences with the children.

Get In Touch With Us:

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Seeking Submissions to *The BC Music Educator*; the Journal of the BCMEA

Dear Colleagues,

Now that your school year is in full swing and first concerts are complete, perhaps you have an idea that you've been tossing around that you would like to share with your colleagues around the province? The B.C. Music Educator would love to publish your ideas! **We want to hear from you!** *The BC Music Educator* is not a strictly academic journal. Rather, we think our members would be interested in submissions of any length on a wide variety of topics, including:

- **Stories** about your students, your colleagues, your projects and your programs which celebrate the work you are doing!
- **News and other information** about what's going on in your district - who is doing what and where and what are the challenges you face?
- **Advice, guides, tips and hints** about your areas of expertise, be they musical, administrative or other expertise.
- **Reviews of conferences, symposia, clinics, courses** you took and other professional development opportunities you have experienced.
- **Reviews of our allies in industry** (tour companies, tour bus companies, concert venues, workshops, museums, uniform manufacturers, instruments and equipment, books, etc.)
- **Resources** to share, such as lesson plans and unit plans, advocacy materials, helpful administrative templates such as letters and budgets, and more.
- **Interviews** with educators, musicians and other people of interest and insight.
- **Score Studies.**
- **Concert Programs and Posters.**
- **Speeches** and other inspiring pieces of writing.
- **Academic papers and articles on your research in music education.**
- **High-resolution photographs** of your events or to compliment any submission.

How to Submit Your Work:

Please submit your writing and/or images to risamcdonell@gmail.com any time for consideration. All writing should be submitted in Word (.doc) format, and images (photographs and logos) should be high resolution and in a standard file format (.jpeg, .png, etc.) Please do not embed images into your text or do any other formatting. All submissions will be edited for typos and style (so send it in, even if you think it's not perfect!)

Having a strong journal again will do much to unite us as colleagues across the province. Please consider sharing your great ideas and contributing to *The BC Music Educator*. If you have questions or concerns, please feel welcome to get in touch with me at risamcdonell@gmail.com or by phone at (604) 250-3730.

Sincerely,

Risa McDonell, Editor, *The BC Music Educator; The Journal of the BCMEA*

Guitar and Ukulele Workshop, Kelowna, BC.:



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**Vancouver Island Concert Band and Orchestra Musicfest, Port Alberni, B.C
April 9 and 10, 2019**

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**West Coast Jazz Musicfest, Vancouver Island University, Nanaimo, B.C. April
30 and May 1, 2019**

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BCMEA Conference 2019:

<h1>Oct 24-26, 2019</h1>
Save the date for our upcoming BCMEA Professional Development Conference at the River Rock Hotel & Conference Centre in Richmond, BC. Can't wait to see you there!

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