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## 2025 Program

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***Wednesday, April 23, 2025 - Cobequid Educational Centre  
- Bands & Instrumental***

**10:00 AM 6412 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-200 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Truro Middle School Concert Band

**11:00 AM 6411 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-100 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Rocky Lake Junior High Grade 8 Band

**12:00 PM Lunch Break**

**1:00 PM 6003 - FLUTE SOLO - 3rd Year - Own Choice**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Danah Kim

**1:00 PM 6006 - FLUTE SOLO - High School Students - Own Choice**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Addy Retson

**1:00 PM 6015 - OBOE SOLO - 5th and 6th Year - Own Choice**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Lily Arthurs

**1:00 PM 6106 - FRENCH HORN SOLO - High School Students - Own Choice**

\_\_\_\_ 1. Virgil Johnstone

**1:50 PM - Setup for Percussion Ensemble**



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*Wednesday Afternoon | Bands & Instrumental*

**2:00 PM 6233 - PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE - Senior - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Cobequid Educational Centre Percussion Ensemble

**2:20 PM 6453 - JAZZ, BLUES COMBO - Senior - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Cobequid Educational Centre Jazz Blues Combo 1

**2:40 PM Break/Reset Instruments for Symphonic Band**

**3:00 PM 6413 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-300 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

- \_\_\_ 1. Cobequid Educational Centre Symphonic Band

**4:00 PM Break/Reset**

**4:15 PM 6443 - STAGE BAND - Senior - Own Choice - Two Selections**

- \_\_\_ 1. Cobequid Educational Centre Stage Band

**4:45 PM 6441 - STAGE BAND - Junior - Own Choice - Two Selections**

- \_\_\_ 1. Truro Middle School Jazz Band

**5:15 PM Supper Break**

**7:00 PM 6490 - COMMUNITY BAND - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Truro Concert Band

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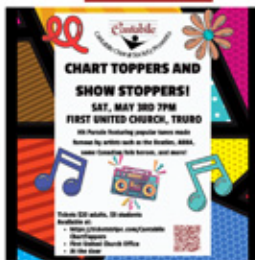
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The Truro Music Festival is grateful for the support of its many sponsors, advertisers, and donors. We also wish to thank the many volunteers who help make this competition possible!

We are currently looking for new board members. If you would like to find out more, please email us at [info@TruroMusicFestival.ca](mailto:info@TruroMusicFestival.ca).  
Thank you!

***Thursday, April 24, 2025 - Cobequid Educational Centre  
- Bands & Instrumental***

**10:20 AM 6505 - SCHOOL BAND - ELEMENTARY - Novice - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 1. Truro Middle School Beginner Band

**11:00 AM 6413 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-300 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 2. Eastern Shore Consolidated School Concert Band

**12:00 PM Lunch Break**

**1:30 PM 6411 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-100 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 2. Truro Middle School Intermediate Band

**Quiet please!**

***Thank you for being respectful of our  
class session protocol.  
Absolute silence during performances is required.***

*To that end, we also ask that all electronic devices be muted. Please note that the viewing public may not enter or leave during a performance or adjudication. When the doors are open, you may do either. Thank you for providing our competitors with the best atmosphere and conditions possible.*

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*Thursday Afternoon | Bands & Instrumental*

**2:30 PM 6662 - WOODWIND ENSEMBLE - Same Instruments - Intermediate - Own Choice**

- 1. Truro Middle School Saxophone Ensemble
- 2. Truro Middle School Flute Ensemble
- 3. Truro Middle School Clarinet Ensemble
- 4. Truro Middle School Clarinet Quartet

**3:30 PM 6612 - BRASS ENSEMBLE - Mixed Instruments - Intermediate - Own Choice**

- 1. Truro Middle School Brass Ensemble

**3:45 PM Break/Reset**

**3:55 PM 6232 - PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE - Intermediate - Own Choice**

- 1. Truro Middle School Percussion Ensemble

**4:10 PM Reset**

**4:15 PM 7021 - CELTIC, TRADITIONAL & FOLK GUITAR SOLO - Intermediate - Own Choice**

- 1. Jacob Augustine

**4:15 PM 7042 - CLASSICAL GUITAR SOLO - RCM Grade 4-6 - Own Choice**

- 1. Jacob Augustine



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## ***Meet our Adjudicator!***

Krista Bryson is a multi-passionate musician and music educator from Summerside, PEI. She holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from the University of Prince Edward Island (Charlottetown, PE), a Master of Music degree in Percussion Performance from the University of Minnesota, and she is currently a PhD in Educational Studies student at UPEI, back where it all started. In addition to a primary focus on percussion performance and secondary music education during post-secondary studies, she also pursued advanced studies in the art of instrumental conducting and gained valuable experience performing in and directing a wide variety of ensembles over the last few decades, including a variety of wind bands, orchestras, percussion ensembles, steel drum band, jazz ensemble, and community choir.



Krista's currently teaching new Popular Music Performance courses she co-wrote, and directs the R&B Band at Three Oaks Senior High School in Summerside, PEI. Additionally, she is a sessional instructor in the UPEI Music Department, teaching Applied Percussion, Percussion Techniques, Jazz Techniques, and Conducting. When possible, she enjoys performing in the percussion section with the PEI Symphony Orchestra and appreciates opportunities to present workshops and adjudicate festivals, having recently presented a workshop on the Popular Music Performance program at OMEA Roots Conference 2024 in London, Ontario.

While Krista will always have a 'band kid' heart, her involvement in co-writing and piloting the new Popular Music Performance program in recent years has sparked a passion for expanding music performance offerings in secondary schools and undergraduate programs. She embraces multiple pathways to explore music, appreciating diverse perspectives and risk-taking. In addition to percussion, instrumental music, and popular music education, Krista is also passionate about shifting perspectives on neurodivergence in education and soaks up any moments she can with her two sons, husband, and golden retriever at home in Summerside.

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## **About the Festival...**

The Truro Music Festival was started in 1922 by Professor Harry Wellard and his assistants Miss Margaret McLean and Miss Lois Richardson. Prof. Wellard was organist at several Truro churches, taught music at the Nova Scotia Provincial Normal College, and was supervisor of music in Colchester County schools. He was devoted to music in the community and was particularly interested in fostering its role in childhood education and development. His many achievements are honoured a century later in the annual Truro Music Festival. In fact, the Truro Music Festival is the third oldest competitive music festival in Canada, and in 2022 it celebrated it's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - an achievement for which the community can be justifiably proud.



***Friday, April 25, 2025 - Cobequid Educational Centre***  
***- Bands & Instrumental***

**10:30 AM 6412 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-200 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 2. Rocky Lake Junior High Grade 9 Band

**11:30 AM 6411 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-100 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 3. Ron MacKay Memorial Beginner Band

**12:30 PM Lunch Break**

**1:30 PM 6412 - SCHOOL BAND - B100-B600 - B-200 - Own Choice - Two contrasting selections**

\_\_\_ 3. Ron MacKay Memorial Junior Band

**2:30 PM 6641 - WOODWIND ENSEMBLE - Mixed Instruments - Junior - Own Choice**

\_\_\_ 1. Ron MacKay Memorial Woodwind Ensemble

**2:45 PM Break/Reset**



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*Friday Afternoon | Bands & Instrumental*

**3:05 PM 6450 - JAZZ, BLUES COMBO - Novice - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Ron MacKay Memorial Jazz Combo

**3:40 PM 6004 - FLUTE SOLO - 4th Year - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Addison Smith

**3:40 PM 6111 - Bb TRUMPET SOLO - 1st Year - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Angel Sakekeesic

**3:40 PM 6033 - Eb ALTO CLARINET SOLO - 3rd Year - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. Maci Riemersma  
\_\_\_ 2. Kansas Lahey

**3:40 PM 6043 - Eb ALTO SAXOPHONE SOLO - 3rd Year - Own Choice**

- \_\_\_ 1. William Burgess



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- Awards: vacant
- Information Manager | Program Design: René Wall
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You are invited to join us for our Closing Award Concert:

**May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**@ 7:00 pm**  
**Marigold Cultural Centre**

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