



2021 North Dakota NATS Student Auditions Announcement

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Greetings, North Dakota NATS Members!

I hope that you are all safe and healthy. I am the new Vice President of ND-NATS and Student Auditions Chair, and I want to share some information about how we will be conducting the 2021 ND-NATS Student Auditions this Spring. Detailed information, instructions, and resources will follow in the coming days as we approach each step in the process.

The 2021 ND-NATS Student Auditions will be held online. Teachers will register their students through the [National NATS website](#) and Auditionware. Teachers will also upload their students' video YouTube links to the same registration website.

Judging will take place asynchronously. This year we will only have one round of auditions - there will not be a semifinals or a finals round. The entire event will stretch from April 7-14, 2021. Awards will be announced on Saturday, April 17, 2021.

Reminder: You must be a member in good standing with the North Dakota Chapter to register students, so please make sure your membership and dues are up-to-date. If you need to renew your membership, you can do so here: [NATS Membership Renewal](#).

REGISTRATION

- **Registration opens on February 15 at 8:00am Central Time** via Auditionware. To access Auditionware, you will need to log-in to the [National NATS website](#) and click on the Member Home tab in the menu at the top of the page.
- **Registration closes on March 1 at 11:59pm Central Time. All registration fees must be paid by this deadline.**
- You will need to provide the following for each student registration:
 - Student First and Last Name
 - Student Email Address
 - Student Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY)
 - Student Phone Number
 - Category
 - Repertoire Selections (Composer, Title/Major Work, Language, etc.)
 - Pianist Name (select a name or “Digital Accompaniment”)
- **Registration Fees:**
 - \$20 per student for the first category
 - \$5 per student for the second category

VIDEO UPLOADS/YOUTUBE LINKS

- Your students will need to create unedited videos of their NATS performances and upload their videos to YouTube as separate files.
- After students have made their videos and uploaded them to YouTube, you (the teacher) will have to re-enter the Auditionware portal and provide their YouTube links in their student registration file. **The deadline to provide YouTube links to your students' registrations is April 1 at 10:00pm Central Time.** I recommend setting an earlier deadline for your students to make their videos and upload them to YouTube so that you have time to complete their online registration.
- If you and your student have decided to change their repertoire selections, you will be able to edit the repertoire section of their registration during this period. This gives you maximum flexibility regarding what they will perform for the auditions. The deadline for repertoire changes is also April 1 at 10:00pm Central Time.
- If you need to cancel a student's registration, you can simply delete the registration file that you created for them during the registration period. Keep in mind that a refund for a canceled registration will not be issued at this point.

JUDGING

- Judging assignments will be communicated by April 6 at 9:00pm Central Time. Each category will have three judges.
- **Judging will begin on April 7 at 9:00am and will end on April 14 at 10:00pm Central Time.** All judging will take place online - you will not have to keep track of any judging forms.
- If you register students, you must judge or pay the \$100 fee.
- We are only having one round of judging this year. There is no semifinals or finals round.
- You can judge from anywhere in the world, as long as you have a computer and an internet connection. You can also judge whenever you want within the adjudication period - early mornings, the middle of the night, etc. AND you can wear whatever you like to do it! :)

ND-NATS WEBSITE

All of the information I'll be sending you will be posted to the [North Dakota NATS website](#). Please check there for the most up-to-date information.

Watch for more information and resources to come in the next few days. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions. My e-mail address is kelly.w.burns@ndsu.edu.

Regards,
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