



Awards

The awards presented by Festivals of Music provide an incentive for students in the various performing organizations to strive for excellence in their performances while being adjudicated by some of the nation's finest musicians and music educators. As a reward for these efforts, Festivals of Music presents distinctive and impressive trophies and plaques that are sure to provide many years of pride and fond memories. These awards are presented at the Grand Finale Awards Presentation.

*Special Awards***

In addition to ensemble trophies, individuals and sections have the opportunity to receive special recognition with the following awards:

Parade

Outstanding Auxiliary

Jazz Ensemble

Outstanding Soloist*, Outstanding Jazz Section

Choral

Outstanding Student Accompanist*, Outstanding Soloist*

*Denotes Individual Awards which must be selected from adjudicated selections only

** Special Ensemble Awards will be presented only when there are at least two groups in competition

*Overall Awards***

Only ensembles electing to compete are eligible for these awards

Choral

Three overall Choral Awards may be presented**

One to the highest scoring High School Mixed Choir

One to the highest scoring High School Jazz Swing, Madrigal, Men's, Show or Women's Choir

One to the highest scoring Junior High/Middle School choir

Concert Band

Two overall Concert Band Awards may be presented**

One to the highest scoring High School Concert Band; The William D. Revelli Award

One to the highest scoring Junior High/Middle School Concert Band

Jazz Ensemble

Two overall Jazz Ensemble Awards may be presented**

One to the highest scoring High School Jazz Ensemble, regardless of class

One to the highest scoring Junior High/Middle School Jazz Ensemble

Orchestras/String Orchestras

Two overall Orchestra Awards may be presented**

One to the highest scoring High School Orchestra, regardless of class

One to the highest scoring Junior High/Middle School Orchestra

Marching

One overall Marching Award may be presented**

One to the highest scoring Parade Band, regardless of class

** Overall awards will be presented only when there are at least two groups in competition. When there is only one organization competing, a first place trophy will be awarded but no overall award will be presented. There must always be two groups in competition for an overall to be chosen. Junior High/Middle School ensembles are not in competition with High School ensembles.

Esprit de Corps

The Festivals of Music Esprit de Corps offers the opportunity to recognize participating organizations which display an exemplary attitude of positive support and outstanding personal behavior. Unlike other trophies that focus on the musical achievement based on the scores of the adjudication panel, this coveted prize spotlights the performance of the students throughout the festival weekend as they demonstrate their highest level of responsible behavior. Personal integrity, quality character values, a desire for excellence and a spirit of cooperation serve as the cornerstone qualities of the Esprit de Corps Awards.

Special Recognition

Festivals of Music "Hall of Fame"

We have searched for an avenue of recognition for our loyal family members. During the Awards Ceremony we will be inducting any directors that have been with us for five years into our "Hall of Fame". We will also recognize the past recipients of this award.

Festivals of Music "Gold Note Club"

Schools that have traveled with Festivals of Music for ten years will be recognized and given a gift as an expression of our appreciation will be acknowledged at the Awards Ceremony. Past honorees will be recognized as well.

Festivals of Music 15 Year Awards

Many of our schools have passed this milestone; 15 or more years of participation with Festivals of Music - a special commendation for one premier organization to another.

Festivals of Music 20 Year Awards

There are music educators that have participated in our programs for over twenty years. We commend their commitment to their students and to music education. Special recognition is given to these outstanding educators as they reach this significant landmark.

The Twenty Year Award is a yearly \$1,000 scholarship, given in the name of the Music Director. Renewable each year for 5 years, this scholarship is awarded to a music student chosen by the Music Director.

Festivals of Music 25 Year Awards

This Award honors the dedicated programs that have traveled with Festivals of Music for 25 years. Through a partnership with Yamaha, Festivals of Music will present each 25 Year Participating a Baby Grand Piano commemorating their years of loyalty and dedication.