

# Haldane Music Department

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Haldane Central School  
Craigside Drive  
Cold Spring, NY 10516

January, 2018

Dear NYSSMA solo students and parents,

This year's Solo and Ensemble Festival for Haldane students will be held on **May 4th and 5th, 2018** at George Fischer Middle School in Carmel, New York. This is the location for classical, jazz, vocal, instrumental, and piano solos. Please see Ms. Frabotta or Ms. Stein if you plan to play a piano solo or string solo.

Every soloist must perform one piece from the current NYSSMA Manual. Performers are also required to demonstrate sight-reading skills. The adjudicator will provide the sight-reading piece. All participants will play for a certified NYSSMA Adjudicator who will provide a written evaluation of their performance.

**It is required that everyone purchase their own original publication of their solo.** When you purchase the music, many will include a solo part (for the student) and a piano accompaniment (for the adjudicator). If there is no piano accompaniment, you will need to purchase 2 originals. Without original parts for the student and the adjudicator, the student cannot participate. If you decide on a solo with your private teacher, check with me to be sure it is listed in the *newly revised* NYSSMA Manual. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from the NYSSMA Festival.

Because scheduling is based on a first-come-first-served basis, I am required to send in the necessary paperwork as soon as possible. **Please fill in the form on the attached page and return it along with the participation fee(s) no later than Wednesday, January 17th.** I will let you know the finalized audition dates and times as soon as they become available. If there are any questions or problems, do not hesitate to contact me.

**Please Note:** There will be pianos available for vocal soloists and All-State soloists. Accompaniment is required (either live or recorded) unless the song is specifically written for unaccompanied voice alone.

Sincerely,

Melissa Frabotta  
[mfrabotta@haldaleschool.org](mailto:mfrabotta@haldaleschool.org)

NYSSMA Solo Level	Participation Fee
I-II	\$16 (Piano-\$22)
III-IV	\$16 (Piano-\$22)
V-VI	\$24 (Piano-\$30)
All State (Sophomores and Juniors only)	\$30

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title of CLASSICAL Solo \_\_\_\_\_

Composer \_\_\_\_\_ Arranger \_\_\_\_\_

Level of Solo \_\_\_\_\_ Participation Fee(s) Included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Make checks payable to the haldane Music Department)

You can purchase the solo from one of the companies below:  
 (please remember that you must have the original solo part, and either another original solo part or the accompaniment for the adjudicator)

**Catalano's Music Center**  
 516-488-2522  
 Catamusic.com

**J.W. Pepper**  
 1-800-345-6296  
 jwpepper.com

Preferred time (Indicate 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices):

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, May 4, 2018- Afternoon (4:00pm-6:00pm)

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, May 4, 2018- Evening (6:00pm-9:00pm)

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, May 5, 2018- Morning (9:00pm-12:00pm)

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, May 5, 2018- Afternoon (12:00pm-5:00pm)