

For Students

Rappahannock Music Society

23rd Annual Jazz, Rags & Blues Festival 2021



Date: Saturday, November 20, 2021

Application Deadline: October 31, 2021

Location: Pollard Hall, University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, Category and Registration Fee: Solo - \$10.00 Ensemble – per student \$10.00 Students entering both solo and duets pay \$10 + \$10 = \$20.00

UMW requires masks to be worn inside all campus buildings.

This event is open to students of teachers who are paid members of the Rappahannock Music Society.

The Rappahannock Music Society is pleased to announce its *23rd* Annual Jazz, Rags and Blues Festival. The purpose of this event is to encourage students of every level and ability to explore this interesting field of their repertoire and to experience the joy of achieving a musical goal.

*This event is open to all instruments: not just piano.

*Students may be accompanied by another student or their teacher if necessary.

*Music is to be performed by memory with the following exceptions: ensembles (duets, trios etc) and adult students and may use music. Solos with an accompanist must be memorized. The accompanist may use music.

*One composition in its original form is required (i.e., not a simplified arrangement of Gershwin, Joplin, etc.) and must represent the Jazz idiom—such as blues, rag or boogie. Students may NOT enter their own compositions.

*Students should bring their music with every measure numbered and two copies of the Official RMS Rating Sheet.

*All participants will receive comments from the judges, a certificate and a rosette ribbon.

*Students will be scheduled in one hour blocks like a mini recital.

All participants, their family and friends are expected to stay for the entire hour. Everyone will be excused at the same time after every student in the room has performed.

Please be polite and do not ask to be excused early.

*Practice rooms are provided only for students who are studying music at UMW. They are not to be used by visitors to Pollard Hall. They are not warm-up facilities. Furnishings and equipment may not be removed from any room

*Xeroxed or copied music will not be allowed in the room. *Recital dress is expected.

*Video cameras, digital cameras, recording devices, etc. **may not** be used during the performances. Anyone wishing to photograph may do so after all of the students in the room have performed. Please NO cell phones, pagers, games that make noises.

Let us be considerate of the student performers.

*All of the teachers participating in this festival do so as volunteers. The registration fee covers rental of the building, cost of ribbons, certificates etc.

The festival takes place at The University of Mary Washington in Pollard Hall located along College Avenue near the UMW/MWC "Smokestack." Parking is available along College Avenue or in the parking lot across from the Fine Arts Complex and adjacent to the Heating Plant with the smoke stack.

Approaching the Fine Arts Buildings from College Avenue, duPont hall is directly in front of you. Do not go up the steps. Bear to your left and go down the brick walkway to Pollard Hall. Room A is on the first floor. Room B is on the second floor. Room C is on the third floor. There is an elevator. The restrooms are on the first floor.