

2021 WINTER CONFERENCE

December 2-5, 2021 – Rochester, NY



85th Annual Winter Conference Sessions, Showcases, Concert Schedule

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DAY 1: THURSDAY DECEMBER 2, 2021

TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS	TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS
8:15 - 9:15 AM					
Tl:ME	CC Cascade DEF	Soundtrap Success In the Instrumental and General Music Classroom <i>Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>	Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	Using Music To Teach Digital Citizenship <i>Catie Dwinal, Clinician</i>
9:30 - 10:30 AM					
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Rethinking So-Called Online Learning <i>Dr. Radio Cremata, Clinician</i>	ADVOCACY	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Advocacy Is Everyday: How To Be An Advocate in Everything You Do <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson John Mlynczak, Clinician</i>
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	Strong Foundations: Software Tools for Building Musicianship In Ensembles <i>Jason Panucci, Clinician</i>	ASTA	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	“The Power Of The Peer”: Peer Tutoring In The School Orchestra Program <i>Dr. Richard Webb, State President Dr. Richard S. Webb, Clinician</i>
10:45 - 11:45 AM					
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	What The TECH Are You Talking About?! <i>John Mlynczak, Clinician</i>	BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Keeping The Band Together: Using The Three Pillars Of Retention To Empower ALL Students <i>David Shemancik, Chairperson Nicole Mihalek Rode, Clinician</i>
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	The Interactive Elementary Music Classroom <i>Shawna Longo, Clinician</i>	CHORAL	CC Highland EF	Democratic Choirs: A Practical Approach <i>Judy Leopold, Chairperson Robert C. Jordan, Clinician</i>
1:15 - 2:15 PM					
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	MusicFirst Junior For Virtual, Hybrid, and In-Person K-5 General Music <i>Jason Panucci, Clinician</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Filling The Gap: Building Your Instructional Toolkit For Music Literacy <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Christian Oliver, Kathleen Krumbach, Clinicians</i>
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	1:1 Devices: Tips, And Tricks For Using Them in the Music Classroom <i>Catie Dwinal, Clinician</i>	CLASSROOM MUSIC SHOWCASE	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Creating Meaningful Movement Opportunities <i>QuaverEd Lesley Dennis, Clinician</i>
2:30 - 3:30 PM					
Tl:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Learner-Centered Approaches In Technology-Based MUED <i>Dr. Radio Cremata, Clinician</i>	COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Riverside Court	So You Got A Job In An Urban School. Now What? <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Jennie Knight, Clinician</i>

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4:15 - 5:15 PM <i>continued</i>					
COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Highland CH	26th Annual Student Electronic Music Showcase <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Clinician</i>	MARCHING BAND	CC Riverside Court	Colorguard 101: Making Your Parade Colorguard Look Great! <i>John Leddy, Chairperson Marc Lentsch, Clinician</i>
PERCUSSION	CC Aqueduct AB	My Kids Know Their Rudiments And Scales, So Why Can't They Play Their Music? <i>Dr. Izzet Mergen, Chairperson Jason Giachetti, Clinician</i>	RESEARCH	CC Aqueduct CD	Student Research Forum <i>Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Chairperson Dr. Mara Culp, Rachael Sanguinetti, Clinicians</i>
RURAL SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Mind The Gap - It's Time to Reset Your GPS For You And Your Students <i>Douglas Ernst, Chairperson Julie M. Smith, Clinician</i>	SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Restorative Practices For Music Educators <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Zachary Arenz, Clinician</i>
SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	A Moment For Teachers: Practical Self-Care For Music Educators <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Rachael Sanguinetti, Clinician</i>	SPECIAL LEARNERS	CC Highland CH	The Neurodiverse Music Classroom: Using Strengths Of Special Learners And All Students In Various Learning Environments <i>Brian Wagner-Yeung, Chairperson Brian Wagner-Yeung, Clinician</i>
TI:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Build A "Big Tent" Music Program <i>Marjorie LoPresti, Clinician</i>	TI:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Blended Learning With Your Ensembles - A New Way Forward <i>Jason Panucci, Clinician</i>
WOODWIND SHOWCASE	CC Cascade ABC	Open Masterclass With Dr. Brian Dunbar The Crane School of Music, SUNY Potsdam Dr. Brian Dunbar, Clinician	TI:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	Retaining the Tech-Savvy Generation <i>John Mlynczak, Clinician</i>
7:00 - 8:00 PM					
ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Advocacy In Collaboration; Strength In Unity Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Jen Rafferty, Clinician	8:15 PM CONCERT HOUR CC Lilac Ballroom Speakers <i>Dr. Mackie V. Spradley, NAFME President</i> NYSSMA® proudly welcomes Dr. Mackie V. Spradley, 2020-2022 NAFME National President as the 2021 NYSSMA® Winter Conference Guest Speaker. <i>Dr. David M. Brown, President, NYSSMA®</i> Performers NEWYORKVOICES <i>Darmon Meader, musical director and tenor Peter Eldrige, baritone Lauren Kinhan, Kim Nazarian, dual sopranos</i> NYSSMA® is proud to welcome the New York Voices as the headline performing group for the 2021 Winter Conference		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	The Heart Of The Matter: Managing Music Making With Little People <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Kim Kane, Clinician</i>			
COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Cascade ABC	Young Composers: How To Start AND Finish <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Gregory Clark, Clinician</i>			
CURRICULUM	CC Aqueduct AB	Delving Deeper: Creating Historical Connections (Cn) <i>Frederic Weingarten, Chairperson Jenny Muhl, Clinician</i>			
GENERAL INTEREST SHOWCASE	CC Highland EF	Body Mapping for Middle and HS Musicians <i>Mansfield University Dr. Christine Moulton, Clinician</i>			

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DAY 2: FRIDAY DECEMBER 3, 2021

TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS	TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS
8:15 - 9:15 AM					
ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Instrumental And Vocal Jazz Adjudicator Roundtable Discussion <i>George Smith, Chairperson Daniel Fabricius, Alan Jones, Clinicians</i>	TI:ME	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Focus To the Future: 5G Meets MIDI 2 And Aloha <i>Dr. Fred Kersten, Clinician</i>
ASTA	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Bow SWAPP: Establishing An Expressive Palette <i>Dr. Richard Webb, State President Dr. James Mick, Clinician</i>	VOCAL JAZZ	CC Highland EF	How To Prepare Students for the All-State Vocal Jazz Audition: Part 1 <i>Kaitlyn Fay Koch, Chairperson Kaitlyn Koch, Clinician</i>
BAND SHOWCASE	CC Cascade DEF	Winning Habits for Successful Beginners <i>GIA Publications, Inc. Marguerite Wilder, Scott Rush, Clinicians</i>	WOODWINDS	CC Aqueduct AB	Aural and Visual Identification of Common Saxophone Repairs <i>Kathleen Freer, Chairperson Miles DeCastro, Dr. Casey Grev, Clinicians</i>
CHORAL	CC Cascade ABC	Silver Linings—Lessons Learned in Distanced Choir <i>Judy Leopold, Chairperson Dr. David Fryling, Clinician</i>	9:30 - 10:30 AM CONCERT HOUR CC Lilac Ballroom <i>Christopher W. McAfee, NAFME Collegiate President Presiding</i>		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Fostering Vocal Creativity and Improvisation in Elementary Music <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Dr. Heather Shouldice, Clinician</i>	Performers EAST ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL WIND ENSEMBLE <i>Christopher Neske, director</i> WEBSTER THOMAS HIGH SCHOOL SELECT CHOIR <i>Brenda Nitsch, director</i>		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Just Gender: Pathways to Inclusivity <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Nicholas Prosin, Aer Queen, Clinicians</i>	9:30 - 10:30 AM		
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA	CC Riverside Court	Advocacy In Your Collegiate Setting <i>NAFME/NYSSMA Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Christopher McAfee, Dr. Keith Koster, Clinicians</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	NYSSMA® Adjudicator Drop-In: Understanding Our Processes New and Old <i>George Smith, Chairperson John McNeur, Michael Robertson, Clinicians</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	Hilton Garden Board Room 2nd Floor	Composition Coaching Workshop 1 <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Brian Zeller, Clinicians</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Instrumental Adjudicator Roundtable Discussion <i>George Smith, Chairperson George Smith, Steven Fayette, Lori Hershenhart Jon Kusche, Daryle Redmond, Clinicians</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	Hilton Garden Board Room 3rd Floor	Composition Coaching Workshop 2 <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Dr. Kerry Renzoni, Dr. Stephan Shewan, Clinicians</i>	ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	SEL Your Program - Advocacy in Our Times <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Michael Brownell, Lori Orestano James, Clinicians</i>
NYSCAME	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	NYSCAME: Equity in Music Education: Understanding, Representation and Hiring <i>Donna Watts, State President Michael Rodgers, Clinician</i>	BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Personalize Your Instrumental Lessons <i>David Shemancik, Chairperson Holly McCoy, Clinician</i>
STRINGS SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	Nazareth College School of Music Chamber Orchestra Concert <i>Nazareth College Nancy Strelau, Clinician</i>	BAND SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	Creating a Rehearsal Environment that is Conducive to Learning, Music Making, and Positive Experience <i>SUNY Buffalo State Dr. Rick Fleming, Clinician</i>

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CHORAL	CC Highland EF	Raising The Bar of Ensembleship <i>Judy Leopold, Chairperson Dr. Adam Luebke, Clinician</i>	10:45 - 11:45 AM		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Back To Basics: Exploring the Laban Elements Of Movement For Preschool Children <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Whitney Mayo, Clinician</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	NYSSMA® Adjudicator Drop-In: Understanding Our Processes New and Old <i>George Smith, Chairperson John McNeur, Michael Robertson, Clinicians</i>
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Riverside Court	Student Teaching Panel <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Dr. Keith Koster, Christopher McAfee, Clinicians</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Voice and Piano Adjudicator Roundtable Discussion <i>George Smith, Chairperson Rae Jean Teeter, Chris Hyde-Hall, Clinicians</i>
COMMUNITY MUSIC	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Cultivating Togetherness in A Youth Strings Program <i>Jeff Ball, Chairperson Dr. Stephanie Meyers, Clinician</i>	ASTA	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Preparing For the Podium <i>Dr. Richard Webb, State President Dr. James Mick, Clinician</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	Hilton Garden Board Room 2nd Floor	Composition Coaching Workshop 3 <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Dr. Viet Cuong, Dr. Dan Deutsch Clinicians</i>	BAND SHOWCASE	CC Aqueduct CD	Teaching Jazz In the Middle School (Concert) Band Rehearsal <i>Hal Leonard LLC Mike Steinel, Clinician</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	Hilton Garden Board Room 3rd Floor	Composition Coaching Workshop 4 <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Shavon Lloyd, Dr. Andrew Martin Smith, Clinicians</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Research To "Real Life": Applications For Recent Research For Elementary General Music <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Dr. Heather Shouldice, Clinician</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	Hilton Garden Private Dining Room 3rd Floor	Composition Coaching Workshop 5 <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Prof. Jamie Leigh Sampson Clinicians</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	A Pedagogy of Expression: Expressing Yourself Musically In The Classroom <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Dr. Juliet Hess, Clinician</i>
CURRICULUM	CC Aqueduct AB	All Music Has a Place in the Curriculum <i>Frederic Weingarten, Chairperson Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Clinician</i>	NYSSMA/NAFME COLLEGIATE	Riverside Court	It's More Than the Music: Lessons I Learned as A Novice Teacher in An Urban Classroom <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Jing Tian Ngjawi, Clinician</i>
SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SHOWCASE	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Integrating Wellness into the Classroom <i>The Crane School of Music, SUNY Potsdam Dr. Brianne Borden, Clinician</i>	EMERGING ENSEMBLE	CC Highland CH	Anyone Can Improvise! <i>Brian Franco, Chairperson Jason Giachetti, Clinician</i>
SPECIAL LEARNERS	CC Cascade ABC	Teaching The Visually Impaired: A Benefit to All <i>Brian Wagner-Yeung, Chairperson Peter Leo, Clinician</i>	NYSSMA®	CC Cascade DEF	NYSSMA® General Membership/ County Presidents' Meeting <i>Michael J. Salzman, Past President, Presiding</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	Teaching In a Time of Corona: Key Takeaways In Music Technology <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Gina Costanza, Stephanie Jones, Samantha McShane, Clinicians</i>	SPECIAL LEARNERS	CC Cascade ABC	Universal Design for Learning: A Framework for Inclusive Music Teaching <i>Brian Wagner-Yeung, Chairperson Jason Jones, Clinician</i>
TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Practice Packs-Students Access Step-By-Step Instruction from Any Device <i>Practice Packs by Stephens Studio Gina Stephens, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Band Together with Band Lab <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>
URBAN SCHOOLS	CC Aqueduct CD	The Elephant in the Room: Access to Music Education for All <i>Jasmine Britt, Chairperson Nicole Davidson, Clinician</i>	VOCAL JAZZ	CC Highland EF	How to Prepare Students for the All-State Vocal Jazz Audition: Part 2, Workshop/Masterclass <i>Kaitlyn Fay Koch, Chairperson Kaitlyn Koch, Thomas Arduini, Clinicians</i>

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WOODWINDS	CC Aqueduct AB	Facilitating Woodwind Chamber Music in the Public Schools <i>Kathleen Freer, Chairperson Dr. Sarah Hamilton, Dr. Andrew Seigel, Clinicians</i>	RESEARCH	CC Cascade ABC	NYSCAME: Equity In Music Education: Curriculum and Repertoire <i>Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Chairperson Michael Rodgers, Donna Watts, Clinicians</i>
10:45 AM – 2:15 PM TECHNOLOGY					
	Hilton Garden Boardroom 1st Floor	Tech Open House Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kris Gilbert, Clinician	SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	What Counts as Culturally Responsive Pedagogy? Who Gets to Decide It? <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Dr. Radio Cremata, Clinician</i>
12:00 – 1:00 PM					
	CC Empire Lobby	Please Join the 42nd Infantry Division Band and Their Musical Performance Team in a Lunchtime Concert in the Convention Center Lobby	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	NYSSMA® App Smackdown <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Eric Anthony Rizzo, Clinician</i>
1:15 – 2:15 PM					
ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	All-State Adjudicator Roundtable Discussion <i>George Smith, Chairperson Adjudication Festival Committee Coordinators</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Major Organization Adjudicator Roundtable Discussion <i>George Smith, Chairperson Dr. Susan Avery, Ron Hebert, Michael Struzik Clinicians</i>
ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Overcoming Poverty: Using Music to Create Success <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Marc Lentsch, Meghan Murray, Gina Wakefield, Carrie Pawelski, Clinicians</i>	BAND SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	42nd Infantry Division Band 42nd Infantry Division <i>Ethan Wagner, Director</i>
BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Inspired Teaching: Something Old Something New, Something Borrowed, Something Blue! <i>David Shemancik, Chairperson Dr. Peter Boonshaft, Clinician</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Individual Musicking: Developing Elementary Students' Musical Independence <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Dr. Heather Shouldice, Clinician</i>
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Teaching Harmony Step-By-Step: A Sequential Approach to Developing Harmonic Audiation Kerry Mero, Chairperson Dr. Heather Shouldice, Clinician	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Music Education & Teaching Special Needs <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Chris Foster, Dr. Cynthia Rodgers, Clinicians</i>
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Riverside Court	Standing Out In Order To Get In – How To Land That First Job <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Dr. Margaret Thiele, Clinician</i>	COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Riverside Court	If Only I Knew Then... <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Dr. Peter Boonshaft, Clinician</i>
COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	CC Lilac Ballroom	23RD ANNUAL STUDENT COMPOSERS HONORS CONCERT <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Clinician</i>	COMPOSITION/IMPROVISATION	CC Cascade ABC	"Meet The Student Composers" Post-Concert Roundtable <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Rob Deemer, Dr. Dan Deutsch, Members of the Composition/Improvisation Committee, Clinicians</i>
NYSSMA/ VOCAL JAZZ	CC Highland EF	Meet The New York Voices <i>Kaitlyn Fay Koch, Chairperson Darmon Meader, Peter Eldridge, Lauren Kinhan, Kim Nazarian, Clinicians</i>	MARCHING BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Drumline for Band Directors: 411 or 911 <i>John Leddy, Chairperson Dr. Thomas Bough, Clinician</i>
PERCUSSION	CC Aqueduct AB	Teaching Percussion with The Language Of A Wind Player <i>Dr. Izzet Mergen, Chairperson Jason Giachetti, Clinician</i>	NYACDA	CC Highland EF	NYACDA Choral Reading Session <i>Dr. John Warren, State President Dr. Doreen Fryling, Clinician</i>
			NYSCAME	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	How School Music Leaders Support Pre-Service Music Educators <i>Donna Watts, State President Jeff Smith, Dr. Keith Koster, Dr. Alden Snell, Clinicians</i>

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NYSSMA®	CC Aqueduct AB	I Am NAFME, You Are NAFME, We are NAFME! Does This Really Mean ME? <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Sue Barre, Keith Hodgson, Michael Brownell, Clinicians</i>	INSTRUMENTAL JAZZ SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	IC Jazz Ensemble Performs Head Charts <i>Ithaca College Mike Titlebaum, Clinician</i>
STRINGS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Differentiation in the String Classroom <i>David Beck, Chairperson Bob Phillips, Clinician</i>	NY/AMTA/MAR	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Adapting Classroom Instruments for Students With Disabilities <i>Tracy Wanamaker, State President Tracy Wanamaker, Clinician</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Curious Students = Courageous and Confident Ensembles <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kevin Mead, Clinician</i>	RETIRED	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	Are You Thinking Of Retiring? <i>Charles Puricelli, Chairperson Charles Puricelli, Clinician</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	Apple Schoolwork for Music Educators <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Eric Anthony Rizzo, Clinician</i>	SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SHOWCASE	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Habits of A SIGNIFICANT Music Educator <i>GIA Publications, Inc. Scott Rush, Clinician</i>
TRI-M	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	Rejuvenating Your Tri-M Chapter and Building Confident Leaders <i>Anissa Arnold, Chairperson Anissa Arnold, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Creating Effective Videos for the Music Classroom <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kevin Dorsey, Clinician</i>
3:45 - 4:45 PM					
ADVOCACY	CC Lilac Ballroom	14TH ANNUAL PIANO SHOWCASE RECITAL <i>Nancy Deutsch, Chairperson Karen Baer, Virginia Drake, Chris Hyde-Hall, Linda Rogan, Selection Committee</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	NY Students' Online Music Achievement <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Dr. Alden Snell, Dr. David Stringham, Dr. Michael Stewart, Clinicians</i>
7:00 - 8:00 PM					
ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	How To Chair A Successful NYSSMA® Major Organization Festival <i>George Smith, Chairperson Daniel Fabricius, Deborah Keough, Clinicians</i>	URBAN SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Tools and Strategies for Urban Music Ed Classrooms <i>Jasmine Britt, Chairperson Jessica Sisti, Clinician</i>
ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	What My 2nd Grader Taught Me About Advocacy <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Megan Zarchy, Clinician</i>	WOODWINDS	CC Aqueduct AB	Strengthening Your Band Program Through Doubling <i>Kathleen Freer, Chairperson Dr. David Wozniak, Clinician</i>
CHORAL	CC Highland EF	Teaching Vocal Health - It Matters! <i>Judy Leopold, Chairperson Megan Burrell, Clinician</i>	8:15 PM CONCERT HOUR CC Lilac Ballroom		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Don't Fret! UKE Can Do It! <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Christian Bigliani, Clinician</i>	Speakers <i>Dr. David M. Brown, NYSSMA® President, Presiding Speaker Susan B. Barre, Eastern Division President</i>		
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Riverside Court	Collegiate Interaction Hour <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Dr. Keith Koster, Christopher McAfee, Clinicians</i>	Performers WARD MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA <i>William Tiberio, director</i>		
COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Cascade ABC	Teaching Creativity with Confidence <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Andrew Martin Smith, Clinician</i>	PRESIDENTIAL CITATION FOR EXCELLENCE <i>Freeport Union Free School District</i>		
CURRICULUM	CC Aqueduct CD	Super Strategies to Address the Standards In Performance Ensembles <i>Frederic Weingarten, Chairperson Denise Lutter, Kim Busch, Lauren Rister, Clinicians</i>	THE ROBERTS CHORALE <i>Dr. Adam Potter, director</i>		
INSTRUMENTAL JAZZ	CC Cascade DEF	Running The Changes <i>Dr. Adam Erdos, Chairperson Mike Steinel, Clinician</i>	9:30 PM Empire Lobby NYSSMA® Annual Staircase Sing <i>Nancy Deutsch, Chairperson</i>		
Please join us for NYSSMA's traditional "Tiffault Memorial Sing" directed by Herb Deutsch. The more the merrier to put us in the holiday spirit. Bring your voices and the Hallelujah Chorus					

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DAY 3: SATURDAY DECEMBER 4, 2021

TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS	TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS
8:15 - 9:15 AM			9:30 AM - 10:30 AM		
CHORAL SHOWCASE	CC Highland EF	Middle School Lit With the Perfect Fit <i>Hal Leonard LLC</i> <i>Emily Crocker, Clinician</i>	CONCERT HOUR CC Lilac Ballroom <i>Kathy Perconti, Third Vice President, Presiding</i>		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Centers In the Music Room- Choice, Voice... Noice! <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson</i> <i>Kevin Dorsey, Clinician</i>	Performers DENZEL WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF THE ARTS ORCHESTRA <i>Dr. Mihoko Tsutsumi, director</i>		
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	A Pedagogy of Noticing: Thinking Critically in Music Education <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Juliet Hess, Clinician</i>	HALF HOLLOW HILLS HS EAST <i>Felicya Schwarzman, director</i>		
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Highland CH	Taking the Extra Step: Getting the Most from Your Student Teaching Experience <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson</i> <i>Jason Giachetti, Clinician</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Maximizing Success: How to Prepare Your Students For NYSSMA® Solo Evaluation <i>George Smith, Chairperson</i> <i>George Smith, Clinician</i>
COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Riverside Court	FIRST ANNUAL STUDENT SONGWRITERS HONORS CONCERT <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Clinician</i>	ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Getting It Right - Advocacy for All <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson</i> <i>Lori Orestano-James, Clinician</i>
INSTRUMENTAL JAZZ	CC Cascade DEF	NYSSMA® Jazz . . . We Got This! <i>Dr. Adam Erdos, Chairperson</i> <i>James Dragovich, Larry Ballereau, Clinicians</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Kpanlogo: Drumming and Dancing in the Music Classroom <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson</i> <i>Katherine Gould, Clinician</i>
NYSCAME	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Hire Smart: Find the Best Candidate <i>Donna Watts, State President</i> <i>Dr. Joseph Owens, Clinician</i>	RESEARCH	CC Empire Lobby	2021 Research Poster Gallery <i>Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Clinician</i>
PERCUSSION	CC Aqueduct AB	Percussion: Quick Tips and Tricks <i>Dr. Izzet Mergen, Chairperson</i> <i>Kyle Peters, Clinician</i>	COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Highland CH	Surviving AND Thriving: Success in The Initial Years <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson</i> <i>Nicole Davidson, Clinician</i>
SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	SEL In Action -- The Empathy Project <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect</i> <i>Samantha McShane, Kate Jarrard, Clinicians</i>	COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Riverside Court	"Meet The Songwriters" Post- Concert Roundtable <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Brian Franco, Members of the</i> <i>Composition/Improvisation Committee, Clinicians</i>
STRINGS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Tunes that Teach Technique: The Power and Flexibility of Unison Tunes, Post-Pandemic <i>David Beck, Chairperson</i> <i>Bob Phillips, Clinician</i>	CURRICULUM	CC Aqueduct CD	Super Strategies To Address The Standards In Classroom Music <i>Frederic Weingarten, Chairperson</i> <i>Matt Gayle, Jennifer Rafferty Craig Knapp John Bernstein, Clinicians</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Play Along with Me: Creating Student-Centered Playalongs <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson</i> <i>Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>	MARCHING BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Arranging for The Front Ensemble <i>John Leddy, Chairperson</i> <i>Jason Giachetti, Clinician</i>
URBAN SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	How to Build a Music Program <i>Jasmine Britt, Chairperson</i> <i>Leonore Nelson, Gina Costanza, Clinicians</i>	NYACDA	CC Highland EF	Clarity And Communication in Conducting <i>Dr. John Warren, State President</i> <i>Dr. Jeffrey Francom, Clinician</i>

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TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS	TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS
SPECIAL LEARNERS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Making Musical Connections: String Orchestra for Special Learners <i>Brian Wagner-Yeung, Chairperson</i> <i>Brian Wagner-Yeung, Clinician</i>	INSTRUMENTAL JAZZ	CC Cascade DEF	Improvisation: Simple Melodic Embellishment <i>Dr. Adam Erdos, Chairperson</i> <i>Mike Titlebaum, Clinician</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	Air On A G Suite: Google Tools For Music Education <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson</i> <i>John Mlynczak, Clinician</i>	NYSCAME	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	The Future of School Arts Administration: Why YOU Matter! <i>Donna Watts, State President</i> <i>Dr. John Gallagher, Clinician</i>
URBAN SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Cultivating Wellness Through Music Therapy and Music Education Collaboration in Urban Schools <i>Jasmine Britt, Chairperson</i> <i>Katherine Brewer, Clinician</i>	NYSSMA®	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Powerful Partnerships: Building A Music-Specific Mentoring Program <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect</i> <i>Dr. Jennifer Greene, Holly McCoy, Erin Tapia Clinicians</i>
VOCAL JAZZ	CC Cascade ABC	Vocal Jazz Reading Session <i>Kaitlyn Fay Koch, Chairperson</i> <i>Carol Jacobs, Jeffrey Welcher, Clinicians</i>	RURAL SCHOOL	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Designing a Path to Composition for K-4 General Music Students <i>Douglas Ernst, Chairperson</i> <i>Rebecca Maeder Chien, Clinician</i>
WOODWINDS	CC Aqueduct AB	Teaching Flute for the Non-Flutist <i>Kathleen Freer, Chairperson</i> <i>Mandy Boonshaft, Clinician</i>	RURAL SCHOOLS	CC Highland EF	How Are Your MacGyver Skills? Come Test Them Out with Us as We Discuss the Road Ahead. <i>Douglas Ernst, Chairperson</i> <i>Julie M. Smith, Clinician</i>
10:45 - 11:45 AM					
BRASS	CC Aqueduct AB	NYSSMA® Solos: How To Score In My Room! <i>David Shemancik, Chairperson</i> <i>Richard DePasquale, Clinician</i>	SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	All Together: Build That Restorative and Communal Bridge Via Blues and Jazz <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect</i> <i>Dr. Marcia Bornhurst Parkes, Clinician</i>
CHORAL SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	SOUND PATTERNS: Equip Your Choir with Tools for Music Literacy <i>Hal Leonard LLC</i> <i>Emily Crocker, Clinician</i>	STRINGS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Beginning Strings: The First Two Years Are Critical <i>David Beck, Chairperson</i> <i>Bob Phillips, Clinician</i>
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Sashay and Du-Ta-De: Musicianship-Focused Folk Dance <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson</i> <i>Lynn Grossman, Christian Bigliani, Clinicians</i>	TI:ME	Hilton Garden Ritter	Audio Production and Composition: The Right Mix for Creativity <i>Jason Panucci, Clinician</i>
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	General Music and Your Middle School Students <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson</i> <i>Jen Rafferty, Clinician</i>	10:45 AM - 2:15 PM		
COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Cascade ABC	Composition Games: Yes, You Can Compose! <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson</i> <i>Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Boardroom 1st Floor	Tech Open House <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson</i> <i>Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>
1:15 - 2:15 PM					
CURRICULUM	CC Aqueduct CD	Expanding Culturally Responsive Pedagogy Through Meaningful Repertoire Choices <i>Frederic Weingarten, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Johanna Siebert, Clinician</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	Preparing for NYSSMA® Major Organization Evaluation Festival <i>George Smith, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Susan Avery, Ron Hebert, Michael Struzik Clinicians</i>
GENERAL INTEREST SHOWCASE	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Da Capo Inventory <i>Da Capo Web Development</i> <i>Patrick Hait, Clinician</i>	ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Preparing For NYSSMA® Major Organization Evaluation Festival <i>George Smith, Chairperson</i> <i>Dr. Susan Avery, Ron Hebert, Michael Struzik Clinicians</i>

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1:15 - 2:15 PM <i>continued</i>			2:30 - 3:30 PM		
ADJUDICATION FESTIVAL	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Preparing For NYSSMA® Major Organization Evaluation Festival <i>George Smith, Chairperson Dr. Susan Avery, Ron Hebert, Michael Struzik Clinician</i>	ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Joseph R. Sugar Day in Albany: Strategies for Success <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Dr. Joseph Owens, Clinician</i>
ADVOCACY	Hyatt Susan B. Anthony	Which Came First: Advocacy or Government Relations? The Answer Is... <i>Lori Orestano James, Chairperson Lori Orestano-James, Alan Orloff, Clinicians</i>	BAND	CC Cascade DEF	Beyond Multicultural Music: Teaching Culturally Responsive Pedagogy in The Instrumental Ensemble <i>David Shemancik, Chairperson Leanne Sowul, Clinician</i>
BRASS SHOWCASE	CC Highland CH	The Ithaca College Trombone Troupe Ithaca College <i>Ithaca College Aaron Burgess, Clinician</i>	CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	1, 2, 3... Improvise with Me! <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Erika Knapp, Clinician</i>
CLASSROOM	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	More Than a Month: Activities and Resources To Celebrate Black History All Year Long <i>Kerry Mero, Chairperson Rachel Dobbs, Kelly Follman, Clinicians</i>	COMPOSITION/ IMPROVISATION	CC Cascade ABC	Become A Master of Modulations and Medleys <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Marjie Brake, Clinician</i>
COLLEGIATE NAFME/NYSSMA®	CC Highland EF	The Ins and Outs of Interviewing <i>Dr. Keith Koster, Chairperson Courtney Sack, Clinician</i>	MUSICAL THEATER	CC Aqueduct CD	Building Back, Even Stronger? - Musical Theater Programs Post 2020 <i>Ann Mosner, Chairperson Roger Paolini, Kate Olena, Clinicians</i>
COMPOSITION	CC Cascade ABC	Meet the Composer-in-Residence <i>Dr. Rob Deemer, Chairperson Dr. Viet Cuong, Composer-in-Residence</i>	NY-GIML	CC Aqueduct AB	Unlocking Creativity In Beginning Band Part 2 <i>Linse Sullivan, State President Greg Clark, Clinician</i>
EMERGING ENSEMBLE	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Rocking the Middle Years: Creating Connections Through Popular Music Education <i>Brian Franco, Chairperson Kris Gilbert, Clinician</i>	NYSSMA®	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	Responding Using Rubrics: Developing Self And Peer Assessment Tools <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Dr. Lisa Caravan, Dr. Julie Beauregard, Clinicians</i>
MUSICAL THEATER	CC Aqueduct CD	Effective And Efficient Auditions for Your School's Musical <i>Ann Mosner, Chairperson Cindy Ripley, Clinician</i>	SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SHOWCASE	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	Performance Anxiety and Psychology: A Panel Discussion <i>Roberts Wesleyan College Dr. Paul Shewan, Clinician</i>
NY-GIML	CC Aqueduct AB	Unlocking Creativity in Beginning Band Part 1 <i>Linse Sullivan, State President Greg Clark, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Why Didn't I Think of That? Hacks Using SmartMusic <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kevin Mead, Clinician</i>
STRINGS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Diversity and Inclusion in The NYSSMA® Strings Manual <i>David Beck, Chairperson Matthew Grosso, Laura Matthews, Clinicians</i>	URBAN SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Music and The Movement <i>Jasmine Britt, Chairperson</i>
TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	Teaching Music Production Through the Lens of Music History <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Dr. Anthony Maceli, Clinician</i>			
TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Latency Left Behind: Rehearse Online with Jack Trip <i>Hickey's Music Center Dr. Russ Gavin, Clinician</i>			

DAY 3 & 4

TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS	TYPE OF SESSION	ROOM	SESSION TITLE/ CLINICIANS
3:45 - 4:45 PM					
CHORAL	CC Cascade ABC	Project-Based Learning: Inspiring Creativity Through Pop Song Covers <i>Judy Leopold, Chairperson Christian Bigliani, Clinician</i>	STRINGS	Hyatt Regency Ballroom C	Teaching Self-Directed Learning and Choice Through Instrumental Practice <i>David Beck, Chairperson Leigh Parry-Benedict, Clinician</i>
NYSSMA®	Hyatt Frederick Douglass	NAfME National and Eastern Division Resources, Updates and News <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Sue Barre, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Eggleston	Putting Sight Reading First with SmartMusic <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Kevin Mead, Clinician</i>
CLASSROOM MUSIC SHOWCASE	Hyatt Grand Ballroom EFG	Pathways to Process <i>Nazareth College BethAnn Hepburn, Clinician</i>	TECHNOLOGY IN MUSIC EDUCATION	Hilton Garden Ritter	Digitizing Your Instrument Inventory <i>Kris Gilbert, Chairperson Alvin Simpson, Clinician</i>
MUSICAL THEATER	CC Aqueduct CD	Production Value in High School Musical Theater Programs <i>Ann Mosner, Chairperson Mary Ann Cafiero, Clinician</i>			
NY/AMTA/MAR	Hyatt Regency Ballroom A	The Most Important Gig: Music Therapy As a Career Choice <i>Trac--y Wanamaker, State President Betsey King, PhD, LCAT, MT-BC, Clinician</i>			
RESEARCH	CC Aqueduct AB	Addressing Diversity Fatigue In K-12 Music Classrooms: Illuminating Problems and Identifying Potential Solutions <i>Dr. Matthew Clauhs, Chairperson Dr. Julie Beauregard, Dr. Lisa Caravan, Clinicians</i>			
RURAL SCHOOLS	Hyatt Strong Board Room	Maximize Your Small Band: Adapting Band Literature for the Small Band Through Creative Part Assigning and Arranging <i>Douglas Ernst, Chairperson Michael Banewicz, Clinician</i>			
SOCIAL- EMOTIONAL TOPICS	Hyatt Eastman Board Room	Co-Teaching and Collaboration in The Music Classroom <i>Russ Faunce, President-Elect Maria Del Valle Brin, Lauren DeLago, Clinicians</i>			

ALL-STATE CONCERTS

Saturday December 4, 2021

7:30 PM

Kodak Hall-Eastman Theatre

Russ Faunce, President-Elect, presiding

ALL-STATE VOCAL JAZZ

Diane Abrahamian, conductor

ALL-STATE INSTRUMENTAL JAZZ

Jim Pugh, conductor

ALL-STATE MIXED CHORUS

Dr. J.D. Burnett, conductor

Sunday December 5, 2021

10:00 AM

Kodak Hall, Eastman Theatre

Dr. David M. Brown, President, Presiding

ALL-STATE SYMPHONIC BAND

Dr. Russell Mikkelson, conductor

ALL-STATE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Dr. Rachel Dirks, conductor