



Information for Parents and Students

The **NSYWE** is open to young musicians ages 16-21 who are interested in meeting at least 3 times next year to rehearse advanced repertoire, work with specialist clinicians, and perform with this excellent band. The mandate of the **NSYWE** is to provide an educational experience for talented young musicians presented in a manner and of a quality otherwise not available to them.

The **NSYWE** is very excited to welcome Dr. Mark Hopkins, Assistant Professor in the School of Music at Acadia University, to the podium this season. Dr. Hopkins travels throughout North America, adjudicating festivals and leading honour bands. He is very active as a guest conductor of professional and collegiate ensembles, having led performances across Canada and the United States, Bermuda, Hong Kong, Japan, Italy, Switzerland, and Romania.

- ✓ Students will be expected to commit to all weekend rehearsals and concert. If you cannot commit to the full season for **NSYWE**, an alternate will take your place.
- ✓ All communications of the **NSYWE** will be through E-MAIL. Parents and students are expected to check their email regularly for important information and updates through out the season.
- ✓ All members of the **NSYWE** should be members of the Nova Scotia Band Association. (If your band director or private music instructor is a member, you are a member. For membership information please go to: **novascotiabandassociation.com**)
- ✓ Auditions will take place during the month of May. Face-to-Face auditions will not be held; instead student will be required to make a recording of their audition by CD or other electronic means. Auditions must be received by May 31, 2009.
- ✓ Contact Information: E-mail: nsband@accesswave.ca
Hope Gendron, 35 Legacy Court, Apt 210, Lr. Sackville, NS B4C 0A5

Fees:

\$5.00 non-refundable audition fee.

\$250.00 yearly membership fee for successful applicants to be paid in the fall.

Fees cover: Director cost and expenses, clinicians, rehearsal and performance facility rentals, music, equipment, social events and a T-Shirt.



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