NEMC's Weekly Note Core 2024: Week 3

We had a fantastic third week of camp and family weekend! Monday and Tuesday, we welcomed the Soldiers' Chorus, The Musical Ambassadors of the United States Army from Washington, D.C. They performed a spectacular concert at the Bowl in the Pines on Monday, and taught master classes on Tuesday, sharing their expertise with our vocal majors. On Wednesday, we had our traditional Carnival (including a dunk tank!) and on Thursday, we had a wonderful faculty recital featuring pieces by female composers. Friday kicked off a terrific Family Weekend. Families had the opportunity to attend rehearsals and classes and many enjoyed the waterfront! That evening, we held a student recital showcasing our talented young musicians and Saturday, we held our spectacular 44th POPS Concert. For the first time in the history of POPS, every student performed in our combined performance groups including our Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Band, Chorale and Chamber Choir, Combined Orchestra, and Combined Band. Managing director, Matthew Wiggin, and recruitment director/voice teacher, Marian Powell, did a beautiful job co-hosting the event. Guests also enjoyed participating in our exciting raffle and silent auction, which included donations from over 30 local businesses in the surrounding area.

The POPS Concert featured acclaimed pianist Jeffrey Biegel and the Rhapsody Initiative, where he presented "Rhapsody in Red, White & Blue" with the NEMC Combined Orchestra, conducted by our Artistic Director, Simón Gollo. This piece marks the centennial of the George Gershwin classic "Rhapsody in Blue" and is being performed by 54 orchestras in all 50 states. Our students did exceptionally well with this piece, and it was an honor to participate in the nation-wide project.

Mail & Packages

We encourage all families to send mail and packages to their campers. It is important to label all mail correctly so we can get it to your campers! Please use the following format:

> Camper Name C/O NEMC 8 Goldenrod Lane Sidney, ME 04330

Live-streaming for Concerts and Recitals

NEMC will live-stream all of our free weekly recitals and concerts. This summer, please note that our faculty and camper recitals are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm. Upcoming concert information is as follows:

Symphonic Groups: <u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 20</u>; <u>Saturday July 27</u> Concert Groups: <u>Friday</u>, <u>July 19</u>; <u>Friday</u>, <u>July 26</u>

Can't make it to our performances? You still can enjoy the music— all live-streaming is done through our YouTube page. You can see our upcoming performances under "Live." **Subscribe to us on YouTube!**

Weekly Photos

Each week, we will upload photos from the various activities happening around campus. We will include links to each week in our weekly newsletters, links can also be found under the "Camp Info" dropdown on the NEMC website. Please know that we do our best to snap photos of all the campers, but not everyone may show up each week. Thank you for understanding! You can access this week's photos here.

POPS Info

Thank you to all who joined in person and virtually for a fabulous POPS Concert this past Friday night. Miss the event? It's not too late to watch! You can purchase the recorded performance **HERE**, and for your convenience, the <u>digital program</u> has been provided as well.

Upcoming Performances

Recitals:

- Faculty Recital: July 16, 7:30PM at Alumni Hall
- Evening Student Recitals: <u>July 18</u>, <u>July 23</u>, and <u>July 25</u>, 7:30PM at Alumni Hall
 - Please note that students are required to audition for our evening recitals the day before. As such, the programs for each recital will not be finalized until the night before.
- String Chamber Recitals: July 25 and July 26 at 8AM
 - Performance dates for the groups will be finalized soon!
- Afternoon Area Recitals: July 25 at 3 pm
 - Area recitals will be at Alumni Hall, The Bowl in the Pines, Theater Arts, and the Summer House. The schedule will be shared that morning.

Bowl Concerts:

- Concert Groups: Friday, July 19 at 3PM and Friday, July 26 at 3PM
- Symphonic Groups: Saturday, July 20 at 3PM and Saturday, July 27 at 3PM

Phone Schedule

Campers will be permitted to use the camp phone starting today. You can expect a call during these times:

- Monday and Wednesday: Junior Cabins (Towne, Wade, Sault)
- Tuesday and Thursday: Senior Cabins (Dorms)
- Friday through Sunday: All Campers

Campers may not make calls during any class or scheduled activity or after 7:15pm, except in case of an emergency and then only with the authorization of a head counselor or camp directors.