NEMC's Weekly Note Core 2024: Week 2

We had a wonderful second week of camp! Last week, campers enjoyed Wednesday's Cabin Activities and continued to build and foster relationships with one another. On Thursday evening, we held our first Faculty Recital of the season, featuring pieces by American composers! Friday afternoon brought our first concert of the season at our Bowl in the Pines showcasing our concert groups. On Saturday afternoon, our symphonic groups performed at another fabulous weekend concert, and later in the evening, campers participated in an evening campfire. Today, campers embarked upon their trip day adventures! They had the choice of mountain climbing Tumble Down Mountain, going to Fort Popham Beach, or kayaking down Lake Messalonskee.

We are so excited to kick off week two with tremendous events forthcoming! The Soldiers' Chorus will be in residence Monday and Tuesday, with a performance Monday night at the Bowl. We look forward to welcoming many of you later this week at Family Weekend!

Mail & Packages

Live-streaming for Concerts and Recitals

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 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: Saturday, July 13; Saturday, July 20; Saturday July 27

Concert Groups: Saturday, July 13; Friday, July 19; Friday, July 26

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.

The 44th POPS Concert!

Now is your chance to sponsor your camper's group and have your family listed in the program! All POPS sponsor and patron donations are due by **5pm on July 8!**

BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!

Each summer, NEMC presents over 20 free concerts and recitals. Our only ticketed performance, the annual Pops Concert, during family weekend, serves as an important fundraiser to benefit NEMC programming and scholarship. Proceeds from ticket sales, raffles, and supporter sponsorship go directly to NEMC and ensure the continued strength of our camp program. Music Patrons (\$50-\$99) will be recognized by name in the POPS program and listed in our Annual Donors Report. Music Sponsors (\$100 or more) are recognized by name in the POPS program as a supporter of a specific performing group and listed in our Annual Donors Report.Conductor's Circle Sponsors (\$200+) are recognized by name in the POPS program as a supporter of a specific performing group and listed in the 2024 NEMC POPS concert program booklet.

Family Weekend Information

Guidelines:

Please RSVP here by 10AM Wednesday, July 10.

In order to assure the safety of our entire camp family, we ask that everyone visiting this weekend please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Guests must check in at the office each time they arrive at camp daily.
- Every guest must wear a visitor name tag when on campus.
- Please do not enter any of the camper living areas at any time.

Travel Tips and Accommodations:

Traveling to Maine in the summer can be very busy. Due to traffic on the highways in MA, NH, and Southern Maine, we recommend leaving early. Here is a list of **local accommodations** within twenty minutes of camp.

Schedule:

Friday, July 12

8:00am - 12:45pm - Join your campers for classes and rehearsals

12:00pm - 1:30pm - BBQ lunch

1:30pm - 2:30pm - Rest hour

2:30pm - 4:30pm - Open recreational activities, canoe trips, waterfront open

4:30pm - 5:30pm - Canteen open!

5:30pm - 7:00pm - All families are asked to leave campus in order for campers to prepare for dinner and the recital! We will have a list of great restaurant spots to recommend!

7:30pm - Camper Honor Recital - Alumni Hall

** Campers may be signed off campus with their families after their last class. ALL campers MUST be back on campus by 7:00pm. Campers may not be signed out or in during rest hour (1:30-2:30pm).

Saturday, July 13

11:00am - 12:30pm - Family brunch - The Lodge

12:30pm - 1:30pm - NEMC Administrative Team Q&A (Campers will be at rest hour at this time!)

1:30pm - 3:30pm - Open recreational activities, canoe trips, waterfront open **3:30pm -** All families are asked to leave campus. POPS Concert sound checks begin.

7:30pm - 44th Annual POPS Concert - Bowl in the Pines - **TICKETED EVENT, BUY TICKETS HERE!** Be sure to purchase your tickets ahead of time, as the cost increases the day of POPS.

This Concert will feature ALL NEMC campers in combined groups this summer. The POPS Concert will also feature acclaimed pianist Jeffrey Biegel and the Rhapsody Initiative, where he will be presenting "Rhapsody in Red, White & Blue." The piece is being performed by 54 orchestras in all 50 states to mark the centennial of the George Gershwin classic "Rhapsody in Blue." The NEMC Symphony Orchestra will be the MAINE orchestra in this exciting initiative!

** Campers may be signed off campus with their families after 11:00am. ALL campers MUST be back on campus by 3:15pm for sound checks. Parents should plan to be off campus from 3:30-6:30pm.

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.