

2017 NMAA STATE ORCHESTRA CONTEST



Performance Schedule March 31-April 1, 2017



Day	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	School
Friday, 3/31/17	10:00 AM	10:20 AM	Middle School	Mandela International Magnet School Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	10:20 AM	10:40 AM	Middle School	El Dorado Community School Advanced Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	10:40 AM	11:00 AM	Middle School	LBJ Middle School Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	11:00 AM	11:20 AM	Middle School	Tony Hillerman Middle School Thunder Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	11:20 AM	11:40 AM	Middle School	Gonzales Community School Symphony Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	String	Santa Fe High School Symphonic Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	String	Orchestra of St. Michael's
Friday, 3/31/17	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	String	V. Sue Cleveland High School Zenith Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	String	New Mexico School for the Arts Chamber Strings
Friday, 3/31/17	2:50 PM	3:20 PM	Symphony	Las Cruces High School Symphony Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	3:20 PM	3:50 PM	String	Eldorado High School Chamber Orchestra
Friday, 3/31/17	3:50 PM	4:20 PM	String	Volcano Vista High School Silver Strings

Day	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	School
Saturday, 4/1/2017	11:20 AM	11:40 AM	Middle School	Taylor Middle School Chamber Ensemble
Saturday, 4/1/2017	11:40 AM	12:00 PM	Middle School	Mountain View Middle School Camerata
Saturday, 4/1/2017	12:00 PM	12:20 PM	Middle School	Mesa Middle School Rattler Orchestra
<i>Saturday, 4/1/2017</i>	<i>12:40 PM</i>	<i>1:10 PM</i>	<i>2nd String</i>	<i>La Cueva High School String Orchestra</i>
Saturday, 4/1/2017	1:10 PM	1:40 PM	Symphony	Oñate High School Symphony Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	1:40 PM	2:10 PM	Symphony	Centennial High School Symphony Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	String	Cibola High School Intermediate Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	3:30 PM	4:00 PM	String	Mayfield High School Chamber Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	4:00 PM	4:30 PM	String	Las Cruces High School Chamber Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	4:40 PM	5:10 PM	String	Centennial High School Chamber Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	5:10 PM	5:40 PM	String	Oñate High School Knight Orchestra
Saturday, 4/1/2017	5:40 PM	6:10 PM	String	La Cueva High School Camerata

Awards to begin approximately 15-30 minutes after the completion of the last ensemble's performance (approx. 7:00 PM)
Ensembles listed in italics are performing for comments only.

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Performing Ensembles by Classification

Middle School Orchestras

El Dorado Community School Advanced Orchestra

Director: Don Higgins

Music Selections:

- Conquistador! – Deborah Baker Monday
- Time Machine – Richard Meyer
- March of the Meistersingers – Richard Wagner/Sandra Dackow

Gonzales Community School Symphony Orchestra

Director: Jason Wiltermuth

Music Selections:

- Engines of Resistance – Larry Clark
- Petite Marche Hongroise – Stephen Chin
- Theme for the New World Symphony – Brad Pfeil

LBJ Middle School Orchestra

Director: Karen Schindwolf

Music Selections

- Ocean Storm – Antonio Vivaldi/Tom Fritz
- For the Star of County Down – arr. Deborah Baker Monday

Mandela International Magnet School/DeVargas Middle School Orchestra

Director: Gabriel Tafoya

Music Selections:

- Song for Adra – Brenda McBrien
- Amadare – Keiko Yamada
- Danse Infernale – Elliot Del Borgo

Mesa Middle School Rattler Orchestra

Director: Eric Rangel

Music Selections:

- Sailors' Song – Mark Williams
- Misty Cavern – James Kazik
- Viking – Soon Hee Newbold

Mountain View Middle School Camerata

Director: Cherokee Randolph

Music Selections:

- Iroquois Journey – Doug Spata
- Coming Home – Michael Hopkins
- Finale (from Symphony #5) – Beethoven, arr. Meyer

Taylor Middle School Chamber Ensemble

Director: Maria Stefanova Mar

Music Selections:

- Three Tunes from Shakespeare's England – Nicholas Hare
- Celtica – Brian Balmages

Tony Hillerman Middle School Thunder Orchestra

Director: Melanie A. Meyer

Music Selections:

- Sonata Vivant – Elliot Del Borgo
- Fiddling A-Round – John Caponegro
- Dragonhunter – Richard Meyer

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Class A-6A String Orchestras

Centennial High School Chamber Orchestra

Director: Daniel Rivera

Music Selections:

- Simply Symphony I. Boisterous Bourree – Britten
- Impromptu for String Orchestra – Sibelius
- Perseus – Newbold

Cibola High School Intermediate Orchestra

Director: Maria Stefanova Mar

Music Selections:

- Themes from the Planets – Holst, arr. Wagner
- Buryano, Burianke – Bulgarian Traditional, Arr. Dackow

Eldorado High School Chamber Orchestra

Director: Ruth Striegel

Music Selections:

- Grave and Allegro – Georg Phillipp Telemann, arr. McCashin
- Rhosymedre (Prelude on a Welsh Hymn Tune) – Ralph Vaughn Williams, arr. Fo
- Lion City – Soon Hee Newbold

La Cueva High School Camerata

Director: Rebecca Simons

Music Selections:

- “Presto” from Mozart 3 Divertimenti – Mozart
- Romance for Strings – Rachmaninoff/McCashion
- Allegro Spiritoso – Senaille/Frost
- Folk Tune Air and Fiddler’s Fury – Safford

Las Cruces High School Chamber Orchestra

Director: Jennifer Rogers

Music Selections:

- Concerto Grasso, Mvt. 1 – Ernest Bloch
- The Queen Bee – Sammy Nestico, arr. Ligon
- Danse Macabre – Camille Saint Saens, arr. Hall

Mayfield High School Chamber Orchestra

Director: Stephanie Wright

Music Selections:

- Incantations – Richard Meyer
- Pavane – Faure/O’Neill
- Allegro Barbaro – Barok/Lipton

New Mexico School for the Arts Chamber Strings

Director: Carla Lehmeier

Music Selections:

- Simple Symphony – Benjamin Britten
- It Takes One to Tango – Brian Balmages
- Lyrical Andante – Max Reger
- Perseus – Soon Hee Newbold

Oñate High School Knight Orchestra

Director: Eric Rangel

Music Selections:

- Libertango – Astor Piazzolla/James Kazik
- On a Hymnsong of Phillip Bliss – David R. Holsinger
- Incantations – Richard Meyer

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Santa Fe High School Symphonic Orchestra

Director: Gabriel Tafoya

Music Selections:

- Dance of Iscariot – Kirt Mosier
- Dreaming – Brian Balmages
- Arlington Sketches – Elliot Del Borgo

St. Michael's High School – The Orchestra of St. Michael's

Director: Chase Morrison

Music Selections:

- A Thousand Years – David Hodges/Christina Perri, arr. Larry Moore
- Farewell for a Friend – Susan H. Day
- Libertango – Astor Piazzolla/arr. James Kazik

V. Sue Cleveland High School Zenith Orchestra

Director: Cherokee Randolph

Music Selections:

- Finale (Symphony #41) – Mozart/Gruselle
- Allegretto Grazioso – Dvorak/Seiving
- Fire Dance – Newbold

Volcano Vista High School Silver Strings Orchestra

Director: Clarissa Clark

Music Selections:

- Ballet – DeBussy/Sheinberg
- O Magnum Mysterium – Lauridsen/Dackow
- Brevard Sketches – Del Borgo

Second String Orchestras (Performing for Comments Only)

La Cueva High School String Orchestra

Director: Rebecca Simons

Music Selections:

- Il Re Pastore – Mozart/Monday
- Air for Strings – Dello Joio
- Variations on an Irish Tune – Balmages
- Overture to Semiramide – Rossini/Lipton

Symphony Orchestras

Centennial High School Symphony Orchestra

Directors: Daniel Rivera and Philip Ramos

Music Selections:

- Galop from "Orpheus in the Underworld" – Offenbach/McAlister
- Andante Festivo – Sibelius
- Danzon No. 2 – Marquez

Las Cruces High School Symphony Orchestra

Directors: Jennifer Rogers & Jordan Sayre

Music Selections:

- The Montagues and The Capulets – Serge Prokofieff, arr. Siennicki
- Conga del Fuego Nuevo – Arturo Marquez

Oñate High School Symphony Orchestra

Director: Eric Rangel

Music Selections:

- Tragic Overture – Johannes Brahms/Vernon Leidig
- Symphony No. 7 (2nd Movement) – Ludwig van Beethoven/Vernon Leidig
- Berceuse and Finale from The Firebird Suite – Igor Stravinsky/Merle Isaac

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Adjudicators' Biographies



Katherine Jetter (Ft. Lewis College, Colorado) - Katherine Jetter earned the Master of Music and the Doctor of Music degree in Cello Performance from Florida State University after receiving both the Bachelor of Music degree in Cello Performance and the Bachelor of Arts degree in Applied Mathematics from East Carolina University. Dr. Jetter did her primary musical training with Selma Gokcen, Andrew Luchansky, and Lubomir Georgiev. She has performed in master classes of pedagogues Janos Starker, Tsuyoshi Tsutsumi, Channing Robbins and Stephen Doane. Dr. Jetter's chamber and solo experiences include performances with the International Cello Festival Master Classes in Kronberg, Germany, the Killington Chamber Music Festival, the Alfred Chamber Music Institute, the Florida State New Music Festival, the Red Shoe Trio (Fort Lewis Faculty Trio), the Alexander Murray Recital Series and the Elias-Jetter Trio. She was the cellist for the Camellia String

Quartet for two years, during which time the ensemble placed in the finals of the Carmel Chamber Music Competition. In the position of principal cellist she has played in the San Juan Symphony, the Florida State Symphony Orchestra and the Showcase Chamber Ensemble. Other orchestras Dr. Jetter has been a member of include the Tallahassee Symphony, the New Carolina Sinfonia, the Tar River Orchestra, the National Opera Company Orchestra, the Music in the Mountains Festival Orchestra and the Santa Fe Symphony. Currently, Dr. Jetter resides in Durango, Colorado, where she is Associate Professor of Cello and Music Theory at Fort Lewis College. In addition to her duties at the college, she actively teaches in the Four Corners area through private lessons at Katzin Music and the Conservatory Music in the Mountains. Her performance schedule is filled with solo recitals, Red Shoe Piano Trio recitals, the San Juan Symphony, the Durango Bach Festival and Chamber Music Festival, and with a string quartet in St. George, Utah and at the Kent Quartet Festival with the Manhattan String Quartet. She has recorded rock albums with Formula 151 and Greg Doyles. She was the secretary of the Colorado ASTA with NSOA chapter for six years and is an active clinician in Colorado and New Mexico. She has presented clinics on cello pedagogy at the CASTA conference a session on "Versatile Cellists" at the National Studio Teachers Forum. In March 2015, she will lead another session on cello pedagogy and shifting at the National ASTA Conference in Salt Lake City.



Cameron Law (Grand Junction High School, Colorado) - J. Cameron Law received his Bachelor's of Music Degree with University Honors and Academic Distinction in Cello Performance from Colorado State University. He completed his Master's Degree in Cello Performance and Teacher Certification at the University of Michigan, where he was awarded a Music Fellowship and served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant. Mr. Law has performed as the Assistant Principal Cellist of the Fort Collins and Cheyenne Symphonies, and is currently the Principal Cellist of the Grand Junction Symphony. He was the cellist with Trio de las Americas, formerly the Mesa State College Faculty Piano Trio, performed for six seasons with the Crested Butte Summer Music Festival, and was cello instructor at Colorado Mesa University. His private cello students have completed music degrees at such prestigious schools as the Hart School of Music, Indiana University, and the Berklee College of Music. Mr. Law has conducted the Grand Junction Symphony, the Colorado All-State String

Orchestra, the New Mexico All-State Orchestra, the University of Wyoming's Festival of Strings, the Fort Lewis College Honors Orchestra, the Mesa State College Orchestra, the High Desert Light Opera Orchestra, the Colorado State University Rocky Mountain Summer Music Camp Orchestra, and the University of Colorado Summer Musicworks Orchestra. His orchestras at Grand Junction High School have performed six times at the Colorado Music Educators' Association annual Clinic and Conference, and they performed in 2009 at Alice Tully Hall in New York's Lincoln Center. Additionally, Mr. Law served for 20 years as the Camp Director for the CASTA Middle School String Camp and is a Past President of the Colorado Chapter of the American String Teacher's Association. In 1999 he was presented with the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Educator Award and in 2002 he was named the ASTA Colorado String Teacher of the Year and received the Sylvan Excellence in Education Award. He has worked as a clinician and adjudicator throughout Colorado, as well as in Utah, New Mexico, Wyoming, New York, and North Dakota. He is the String Editor for Grand Mesa Music Company, and many of his compositions and arrangements have been performed at the Midwest Conference in Chicago. His latest work, Sinapu, was performed by the Grandview High School Orchestra at the 2015 National ASTA Conference. Mr. Law is currently the Director of Orchestras at Grand Junction High School and West Middle School and spends his summers as the Program Director for the Road Scholar Program at the Aspen Music Festival and School. He enjoys cycling, skiing, and hiking with his wife Kathy and their golden retriever Cooper.

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Louise Rossi (McCulloch Intermediate School, Texas) - Louise Rossi is currently the Orchestra Director at McCulloch Intermediate School and Highland Park Middle School. She was previously the Orchestra Director at Charles M. Blalack Middle School in Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD for seven years where her orchestras consistently earned Sweepstakes ratings at UIL competitions and Superior ratings at local festivals. Ms. Rossi received her Bachelor of Music from Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio and her Master of Music from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, TX. Ms. Rossi was an assistant conductor for the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra for 19 years and also for the Youth Orchestra of Greater Fort Worth for five years. She had a successful Suzuki Violin/Viola studio for many years and has been a clinician for many Suzuki Institutes around the country. Ms. Rossi taught String Pedagogy at SMU for 10 years. She is a member of TMEA, TODA, Suzuki Association of the Americas, the North Texas Suzuki Association and has presented clinics on multiple occasions at the annual conventions of TMEA and TODA. Ms. Rossi is an active clinician and judge throughout the state of Texas and is a freelance violinist in the Dallas Area.

State Orchestra Past Champions

Year	Host	Class	Champions
2016	Volcano Vista High School	Middle School	Taylor Middle School
		Symphony	Centennial High School
		A-5A String	New Mexico School for the Arts
		6A String	La Cueva High School
2015	Volcano Vista High School	Middle School	Lincoln Middle School
		Symphony	Centennial High School
		A-5A String	New Mexico School for the Arts
		6A String	La Cueva High School
2014	Volcano Vista High School	Middle School	Mesa Middle School
		Symphony	Centennial High School
		String	La Cueva High School

State Orchestra Contest Thank You's

The New Mexico Activities Association would like to thank the host of the 4th Annual NMAA State Orchestra Contest, Volcano Vista High School and Albuquerque Public Schools. We thank you for your willingness to work with us and to provide a wonderful venue for the State Orchestra Contest participants in our state. A special thanks to:

Valerie Atencio, Principal – Volcano Vista High School
 Paul Blakey, Band Director – Volcano Vista High School
 Clarissa Clark, Orchestra/Choir Director – Volcano Vista High School
 Susie Weidner, Activities Director – Volcano Vista High School



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