

VPAF Voice Program 2026

Adjudicator: Melissa Braun

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Melissa Braun is a passionate voice teacher, music educator and community builder. As a voice teacher, Melissa aims to help each student develop the skills and technique they need to express freely in a range of styles. She loves exploring tools that allow students to communicate narrative, character and emotion and delights in the moment when students feel they have truly conveyed meaning through their music. She is the founder and principal of the Squamish Academy of Music where she has successfully been fostering community and collaboration since the academy opened in 2010. As Artistic Director for the Broadway or Bust Performing Arts Program, Melissa has directed hundreds of young performers in musical theater productions. When she's not teaching in the private studio, she is often found in the theater as a director, performer, or audience member. Melissa holds a Bachelor of Music in voice from Wilfrid Laurier University and a Bachelor of Education from OISE University of Toronto. She is a member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, the British Columbia Teachers Federation and the SpeakEasy Cooperative and is a Gold Medal RCM teacher. She is honoured to share her approach to music education and her knowledge of the singing voice as a clinician and adjudicator throughout Western Canada.

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Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Peace Lutheran Church

Morning Session

9:00 AM 20/21 century Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Marley Herfst - Vernon~On the back of an eagle - Telfer
_____ 2 McKinley Philps - Vernon~Le Tragic Histoire de Petit Rene - Poulenc
_____ 3 Ali Allen - Coldstream~May Sunshine Light Your Way - Albrecht/Althouse
_____ 4 Myla Goshulak - salmon arm~The Genius - Fleming

9:50 AM Canadian Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Marley Herfst - Vernon~If you should meet a crocodile - Telfer
_____ 2 McKinley Philps - Vernon~Computer Cat - Rhodenizer

10:15 AM Classical Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Marley Herfst - Vernon~Sehnsucht nach dem Fruehling K596 - Mozart

10:25 AM Contemporary Junior B - ages 14 & under~10:10 AM

- _____ 1 Chloe Aulin - Vernon~The Gospel Train - Kinney

10:35 AM Folk song Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 McKinley Philps - Vernon~Cara Mama - Donkin
_____ 2 Chloe Aulin - Vernon~She's Like the Swallow - Cassils
_____ 3 Myla Goshulak - salmon arm~Connemara Cradle Song - Donkin and Falconer

11:00 AM Pre-1900 Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Myla Goshulak - salmon arm~Per Costume, O mio bel Nume - Colbran

Lunch Break 12:00 – 1:00 PM

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Afternoon Session

1:30 PM Musical Theatre Ballad - Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Marley Herfst - Vernon~This Wish - Michaels/Rice/Saxs
- _____ 2 Lochlan Lemire - Kamloops ~I'm Not That Girl
- _____ 3 McKinley Philps - Vernon~Wouldn't it be Lovely - Loewe
- _____ 4 Jonathan Aulin - Vernon~Hellfire - Schwartz
- _____ 5 Samuel Smelsky - Blind Bay~Pure Imagination - Bricusse and Newley
- _____ 6 Ali Allen - Coldstream~Home - Menken/Rice
- _____ 7 Chloe Aulin - Vernon~Never Enough - Pasek/Paul
- _____ 8 Myla Goshulak - salmon arm~A Change in Me - Menken

Dinner Break 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

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Evening Session

6:00 PM Musical Theatre Comedy Junior B - ages 14 & under

- _____ 1 Marley Herfst - Vernon~Fabulous - Lawrence/Greenberg
- _____ 2 Lochlan Lemire - Kamloops ~Naughty
- _____ 3 McKinley Philips - Vernon~I Gotta Crow - Leigh/Charlap
- _____ 4 Jonathan Aulin - Vernon~Hell Fire /If I Were a Rich Man schwartz/Harnick/Brock
- _____ 5 Samuel Smelsky - Blind Bay~I want to Fly - Lindsey-Nassif
- _____ 6 Ali Allen - Coldstream~The Life I Never Led - Menken/Slater
- _____ 7 Chloe Aulin - Vernon~Arthur Murray taught me Dancing in a Hurry - Schertzinger
- _____ 8 Myla Goshulak - salmon arm~Lost in the Brass from Band Geeks - Newman and Alter

Have a great evening



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Wednesday, March 11, 2026
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Morning Session

9:00 AM 20/21 century Intermediate - ages 17 & under~

- _____ 1 Wynne Fryling - Vernon~My Love Is Like A Red, Red Rose - Ursan
_____ 2 Cassidy Buller - Vernon~Bluebird - Schirmer

9:25 AM Baroque Intermediate - ages 17 & under

- _____ 1 Jocelyn Moore - Salmon Arm~ Ach es Schmeckt - Bach
_____ 2 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~Le Violette - Scarlatti

9:50 AM Canadian Intermediate - ages 17 & under

- _____ 1 Wynne Fryling - Vernon~L'appel - McIntyre
_____ 2 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~Hark the Lark - Ursan

10:15 AM Classical Intermediate - ages 17 & under

- _____ 1 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~Lachen und Weinen - Schubert

10:30 AM Opera - Intermediate - ages 17 & under~10:25 AM

- _____ 1 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~O mio Babbino caro - Puccini

10:45 AM Pop and Modern Non Competitive Intermediate - ages 17 & under~10:40 AM

- _____ 1 Wynne Fryling - Vernon~Somewhere Only We Know - Rice- Oxley/Hughes/Chaplin
_____ 2 Cassidy Buller - Vernon~California and Me - Jonsdottir

11:10 AM Pre-1900 - Intermediate - ages 17 & under~11:00 AM

- _____ 1 Cassidy Buller - Vernon~Nymphs and Shepherds - Purcell

11:25 AM Romantic - Intermediate - ages 17 & under~11:15 AM

- _____ 1 Jocelyn Moore - Salmon Arm~Les Papillons - Chausson
_____ 2 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~Les Filles de Cadix - Delibes

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11:45 AM Folk song - Intermediate - ages 17 & under~11:45 AM

_____ 1 Jocelyn Moore - Salmon Arm~Gartan Mother's Lullaby - arr. Hughes

Lunch Break



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Afternoon Session

1:30 PM Choral Elementary Choir Grade 6 and under

_____ 1 Coldstream Elementary Choir

2:00 PM Duet/Trio Junior Intermediate - ages 17 & under

_____ 1 Cassidy Buller, Wynne Fryling - Vernon~Journey to the Past - Ahrens/Flaherty/Arr Rauhala

2:15 PM Musical Theatre Ballad Intermediate - ages 17 & under

_____ 1 Wynne Fryling - Vernon~Over The Rainbow - Arlen

_____ 2 Jocelyn Moore - Salmon Arm~Somewhere That's Green – Menken/Menken

_____ 3 Makenna Boucher - Kamloops~The Light in the Piazza - Guettel

3:00 PM Musical Theatre Comedy Intermediate - ages 17 & under

_____ 1 Titus Aulin - Vernon~Mister cellophane - Reilly

_____ 2 Cassidy Buller - Vernon~I Have Confidence - Rodgers/Hammerstein

_____ 3 Jocelyn Moore - Salmon Arm~Dead Mom from Beetlejuice - Perfect

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Thursday, March 12, 2026
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Morning Session

9:00 AM 20/21 century Junior A - ages 10 & under

_____ 1 Gabija Baltuonyte - Coldstream~Cooroo Cooroo - Kupferschmid

_____ 2 Arabella Ward - Vernon~A Pirate Song - Smith

_____ 3 Alice Hatterscheidt - Vernon~The owls - Jenkyns

9:30 AM Canadian Junior A - ages 10 & under

_____ 1 Gabija Baltuonyte - Coldstream~Hummy Hummingbirds - Rhodenizer

_____ 2 Alice Hatterscheidt - Vernon~She's like the swallow - Cassils

9:50 AM Folk song - Junior A - ages 10 & under

_____ 1 Gabija Baltuonyte - Coldstream~Ant Kalno Karklai Siubavo - Naujalis

_____ 2 Arabella Ward - Vernon~Mairi's Wedding - Robertson

10:10 AM Musical Theatre Ballad Junior A - ages 10 & under

_____ 1 Gabija Baltuonyte - Coldstream~How far I'll go - Miranda

_____ 2 Arabella Ward - Vernon~New Kid in the Neighborhood from Captain Louis - Schwartz

10:30 AM Musical Theatre Comedy Junior A - ages 10 & under

_____ 1 Gabija Baltuonyte - Coldstream~Kindergarten Love Song - Gasparini

_____ 2 Arabella Ward - Vernon~In the Big Blue World from Finding Nemo: The Musical - Lopez and Lopez