

Eastern Region Solo & Small Ensemble MPA

Meredith College - Raleigh
Saturday, November 22, 2025

Welcome to autumn and to the 35th Annual Eastern North Carolina Stringed Instrument Solo and Small Ensemble MPA. On Saturday, November 22nd, 2025, the Solo and Small Ensemble MPA will be held at Meredith College in Raleigh.

By encouraging your students to start the year with chamber music, you create a solid musical foundation for your students and encourage strong leadership skills within your ensembles. The Eastern North Carolina String Instrument Solo and Small Ensemble MPA is a venue for **well-rehearsed** students to receive comments from experienced adjudicators.

Please submit an application for each solo or ensemble. **Fees are noted within this form.** Remember that sending the fees and application by the stated deadline ensures that your musicians participate in this event. The deadline for postmarked applications is November 7th. **Please remember that late applications are not guaranteed a performance time.** The following information highlights the rules and regulations of this event:

NCMEA Eastern Regional Solo and Ensemble Guidelines

- 1. All participating directors must be current members of NAFME and must show their NAFME card at registration. (Current at the time of registration and of the event.) Please remember your card; without it, your students will be unable to participate in Solo and Ensemble MPA.**
- 2. All participants must be current members of their school music program, if one exists. If the school does not have a music program, the sponsoring teacher must be a current member of NAFME.**
- 3. The student's primary teacher must attend this event with his/her students.** Students may not register themselves and may not be sponsored by another teacher without prior **written consent** from the chair. Permission must be given no less than **10 days prior** to the event.
- 4. You may select any solo or ensemble to perform at the festival. Each participating solo or ensemble must provide the adjudicator with a complete score showing accompaniment AND solo line for solos/duets and/or a FULL SCORE for the ensembles.** Piano reductions, etc. are not acceptable as ensemble scores. Please be selective in the groups that you send to the festival. Only the most prepared students should be afforded the privilege of attending the event.

5. There will be one adjudicator supplying written and oral comments for each performance. **Adjudicators must be provided a complete score with every measure numbered for EACH performance.**
6. Photocopies of scores are not allowed unless evidence is provided that the score was ordered and has not been received by the time of performance.
7. Small ensembles constitute 2-11 musicians; any larger ensemble is eligible to participate in the Eastern Region MPA.
8. If accompaniment is written for a performance, it must be played. Any performance without required accompaniment will receive "Comments Only." If you have a Smartmusic subscription, this program can be used in lieu of live piano accompaniment. You are responsible for providing the laptop and for having the subscription. You will also be responsible for controlling the computer. Speakers will be provided. Please feel free to ask questions PRIOR to the day of the event.
9. Warm-up space is available but limited.
10. Each participant/group shall announce the name of their group, the composition to be performed, and the composer/arranger of the selection.
11. All comments and ratings will be distributed as soon after the adjudication as possible.
12. Parking: Cars may park anywhere along the street parking spaces outside of Jones-Wainwright (about 40 spaces). Buses can drop off/park on the main campus drive after the traffic circle.
13. Please enclose a check in the amount of:

(Make a SINGLE CHECK payable to NCMEA to cover the cost of the event.)
Deadline for postmark: Friday, November 7th, 2025

\$18.00 for Solos
\$24.00 for Duets (**\$12 per member**)
\$9 per member for trios or larger groups

Send checks to:
Riverside High School
Sara Moore
3218 Rose of Sharon Rd
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Please DO NOT make the check out to Riverside High School, as we will not be able to process payment