

MASSACHUSETTS MUSIC EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION 2012 MMEA ALL STATE CONFERENCE

March 1-3, 2012

Casual Concert Application

Libby Allison, Conference Coordinator

Casual concerts present an opportunity for small ensembles (no more than 8 instrumentalists or 25 singers) to perform at the All State Conference in a flexible environment. These performances provide an opportunity for both conference attendees and young performers to experience music in a unique atmosphere.

Applicant directors should remember that this is not a formal concert and the experience should be likened to that of performing at holiday times to provide atmosphere. The audience may not be totally attentive and this is not a sign of disrespect for the group. Some Casual Concerts will be held in the lobby of the ballroom area, after concert hours. Others will be held in the lobby of the conference area.

- Each group is limited to 30 minutes of performance time, **including** set up and break down.
- Directors will be responsible for providing all necessary equipment.
- Transportation to and from the conference is the responsibility of the school district.
- Questions may be directed to Casual Concerts Coordinator at libbyallison@mac.com

In order for a group to be considered for a casual concert performance, the director must:

1. Complete the application below. This also serves as notice that the director has read and understands the requirements and responsibilities as listed above.
2. Attach a photocopy of the ensemble director's MENC membership card.
3. Submit one short unedited CD recording made during this present school year. Recordings can be part of a rehearsal or performance and should be brief (5-10 minutes maximum) of 1-2 representative pieces.
4. Submit one letter of endorsement, from the building principal or the music/arts supervisor.

These materials should be sent to:

*Libby Allison, Conference Coordinator
120 Green Street
Medfield, MA 02052*

Postmarked no later than December 27, 2011

Director's Name Principal Signature

School District School Address

School Telephone School Email

Home Telephone Home Email

Type of Ensemble: (i.e. woodwind quintet, jazz choir)

Group Size (see requirements above) Grade Level of Students

Preferred Day/Time of Performance (Place a 1 and 2 next to your first and second choices.)

Thursday PM ___ Friday AM ___ Friday PM ___ Saturday AM ___

Photocopy and attach your MENC membership card.
Your membership must be current at time of submission and at conference time.