

13th ANNUAL BARBARA CLAGUE FESTIVAL OF SONG

VAM is honored to present the 13th Annual Barbara Clague Festival of Song. The outpouring of support from the Clague family, as well as numerous friends wishing to pay tribute to Barbara Clague's memory*, has been both touching and inspiring. The purpose of the Festival is to spotlight talented vocalists in all ages, fostering their musical development with \$1,200 in total scholarships awarded for 2026/27 VAM tuition.

*Please find Barbara Clague's story at www.vam.ca/about-barbara-clague

Categories

Junior: ages 12 and under

Intermediate: ages 13-18

Adult: ages 19 and above

Application deadline: May 4, 2026, 11:59pm

Competition dates: May 31, 2026, 2pm

Eligibility

VAM voice students. Students who win first prize in an age category three consecutive years are ineligible to compete again in that category.

Repertoire

Two contrasting classical, folk, or musical theatre songs, with a combined total duration of no more than 10 minutes.

Adjudication

The competition will be recorded and assessed by the adjudicator remotely after the live event.

Competition Rules

1. Applications must include a non-refundable registration fee of \$60 made payable to the Vancouver Academy of Music.
2. A copy of the music must be submitted with the application form (photocopies permitted).
3. All vocalists must perform by memory. All applicants are responsible for arranging a pianist.
4. The competition is open to the public; no audio or video recording is permitted.
5. The adjudicator retains the right to withhold any prize if, in their opinion, it is not merited. All decisions made by the adjudicator are final and without appeal.

To apply

Complete the form on the back page or apply online at: vam.ca.

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Application Form

Deadline: May 4, 2026, 11:59pm

Name: (First) _____ (Middle) _____ (Last) _____

Address: (Number and Street) _____

(City) _____ (Prov.) _____ (Postal Code) _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of Private Voice Teacher: _____ Pianist: _____

- ☐ The student and their parent/guardian understand that, if the student is selected for a scholarship award, they must provide the student's Social Insurance Number to VAM in accordance with CRA regulations.

Repertoire selection 1

Composer: _____ Lyricist/librettist: _____

Title: _____ Duration: _____

Name of larger work, if applicable: (e.g., if the song is from an opera or musical)

Repertoire selection 2

Composer: _____ Lyricist/librettist: _____

Title: _____ Duration: _____

Name of larger work, if applicable: (e.g., if the song is from an opera or musical)

By signing below, the contestant agrees to observe and abide by the rules, regulations, and restrictions as stated in this document.

Signature of Contestant: _____ Date: _____

Remember, your completed file must contain:

1. Completed application form
2. Non-refundable registration fee of \$60

Mail your completed file to: Niki Hung, Programs Coordinator
Vancouver Academy of Music 1270 Chestnut St | Vancouver, BC V6J 4R9

For Office use only

Application fee included: by cash _____ by cheque _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____