

Student Violinists (Fiddlers)

You are cordially invited to participate in the 4th Annual Fiddle Competition

Sponsored by
Colorado Elks Association (www.coloradoelks.org)
American Furniture Warehouse (www.afwonline.com)

The competition is for Colorado violinists, grades 3rd to 12th in three grade categories.

Prescribed tune sets will be performed for a judge for **cash prizes**.

WHEN: Saturday, October 8, 2016

WHERE: Lakewood United Church of Christ (NEW location)
100 Carr Street, Lakewood, CO 80226 (Please MapQuest this address)

TIME: 1:00 to 5:00
Fiddlers will be scheduled for 10 minute performance times.

Pre-registration is required. Participants must perform prescribed music and **request the FREE sheet music and sound files** from the Competition Director listed below. Accompaniment and memorization are NOT required, but memorization is strongly encouraged. There are **three grade categories** (see the attached list).

Cash prizes will be awarded (see the attached list). Winning fiddlers will be announced on the evening of the Competition by email. The winning fiddlers will also be publicized.
All participants will receive participation certificates.

All participants will also be entered into to a drawing for some great prizes!

A non-refundable **\$10.00 registration fee** is required in order to participate. This needs to be sent along with the **registration form (see attached)**. Make your check out to "**Colorado Elks Association.**" The registration fee and form must be received by **September 30, 2016**.

Mail your form and check to:
Ken McIntosh, 8989 W. 14th Avenue, #405-South, Lakewood, CO 80215.

Contact Ken McIntosh at kenmcintosh@idcomm.com or 303-234-0469
for the **music** and **sound files**.

We look forward to seeing you at the competition!

Colorado Fiddle Competition 2016

Grade Categories, Required Performance Music, and Awards

Grade levels are those as of October 2016.

Grade Categories	Required Pieces to Perform	Cash Awards
Grades 3 thru 6	<i>Morag's Wedding Set</i> (march, jig, reel, strathspey)	First: \$100 Second: \$50 Third: \$25 <i>Honorable Mention</i>
Grades 7 and 8	<i>Cathkin Braes Set</i> (strathspey, jig, reel, reel)	First: \$200 Second: 100 Third: \$50 <i>Honorable Mention</i>
Grades 9 thru 12	<i>My Lily Set</i> (waltz, strathspey, reel)	First: \$400 Second: \$200 Third: \$100 <i>Honorable Mention</i>

Accompaniment and memorization are NOT required, but memorization is strongly encouraged. Students will perform for one judge in private.

The sheet music and sound files will be provided upon request, as well as performance guidelines.

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to receive the **FREE music and sound files.**

About Scottish fiddle music...

Scottish fiddling, even to untrained ears, can be distinguished from other Celtic and Folk fiddling styles by its particular precision of execution and energetic delivery. The style has a very large repertoire consisting of a great variation of styles, rhythms and keys, arguably more than in related styles such as Irish fiddle music. Alan Watson of The Scottish Fiddle Society in Scotland tells us that there are over 12,000 published Scottish fiddle tunes. Scottish fiddle music is popular all over the world and has many talented exponents performing the wide variety of regional styles.

To learn more about this great music, download the free document entitled ***Some Perspectives on Scottish Fiddling***, by visiting the Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado at www.scotsfiddle.org.

Colorado
Fiddle Competition 2016

Registration Form

(Please print clearly)

Student's Name: _____

Address (street, city and zip code): _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Grade in school (as of October 2016): _____ Age: _____

School: _____

Parent's name(s): _____

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About the Competition Sponsors...

Colorado Elks Association

www.coloradoelks.org

The Colorado Elks Association is the parent organization of the more than 30 Elks lodges in Colorado, and is a subordinate branch of The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (BPOE) of the United States of America, all of which are non-profit charitable groups.

Elks Lodges are also social organizations, but they bring much more to their communities than social interaction and friendship. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up. Elks invest in their communities through programs that help children to grow, and by honoring the service and sacrifice of our veterans.

The Elks started out as a fraternal order and social club founded in 1868 in New York, but eventually expanded into a charitable organization. The Elks National Foundation was established in 1928 and is the charitable arm of the BPOE. The Foundation, with an endowment valued at more than \$400 million, has contributed \$253.5 million toward Elks' charitable projects nationwide. It is one of the leading fraternal orders in the United States claiming nearly one million members. Their motto is "Elks Care, Elks Share." Membership is open to men and women of all races and religions. Members expend considerable energy, time and money on youth programs and other charitable efforts. In Colorado, a main campaign is led each year for the benefit of Laradon Hall which provides programs and services to children and adults with developmental disabilities and other special needs.

The Colorado Elks Association is proud to serve as one of the sponsors of the Colorado Fiddle Competition. Encouraging and recognizing kids who achieve in the area of music is very compatible with the Elks' mission statement, as well as being a lot of fun.

Best of luck to all of the participants!

American Furniture Warehouse

www.afwonline.com

American Furniture Warehouse (AFW) has been Colorado owned and operated by Mr. Jake Jabs since 1975 and has grown to become Colorado's largest retailer of quality home furnishings with the best selection and prices on furniture and accessories that folks can find anywhere. AFW has now expanded into Arizona, with one location in Gilbert, Arizona, and a brand new location in Glendale, Arizona. AFW offers up the best in-stock selection at the guaranteed lowest prices of Living Room Furniture, Bedroom Furniture, Dining Room Furniture, Entertainment Furniture, Home Office Furniture, New Corporate Office Furniture, Patio Furniture, Mattresses, and Home Décor. AFW is the place to find any furniture, and home decor you are looking for, whether you are decorating one room or one hundred rooms, from modern and contemporary to traditional styles. American Furniture Warehouse has all the furniture folks need, at the lowest prices daily.

American Furniture Warehouse also prides itself on being a good community member and contributes generously to health and youth programs. We are delighted to be included as a sponsor of the Colorado Fiddle Competition and wish all of the participants good luck. Studying music is a great way for kids to develop their minds and contribute to the cultural fabric of our society.

Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado

www.scotsfiddle.org

The Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado was started in 2011 in order to promote the Scottish fiddle repertoire, as well as other styles of fiddling. The club is open to kids and adults of all playing levels. Thus far, several workshops have been conducted, five concerts have been presented, two television appearances have been made, and four YouTube performances have been produced. Most importantly, hundreds of pieces of music have been developed and hundreds of people have enjoyed learning about the music.

The Competition was started in 2012 as an additional offering to the general violin community. The Fiddle Club serves as the organizer and host of the event, as well as a co-sponsor.

We are very grateful to the other sponsors for their support of this event. We are also grateful to the terrific kids who participate in it and make it work!

