



VKMF COVID-19 Policy (as of January 19/22)

The Vancouver Kiwanis Music Festivals is undertaking an exhaustive approach to identifying and implementing strategies that will keep all our participants safe from the spread of COVID-19. **We continue to closely monitor Public Health protocols, restrictions, and guidelines and will put in place all appropriate safety measures in the preparation, and delivery of, our 2022 Festival events.** Anticipating current guidelines and restrictions will likely change over the coming weeks and months, we will provide regular updates as they become available.

GENERAL PROTOCOLS

VACCINATION POLICY (as of January 19/22):

BC Vaccine Card: Per Provincial Health Orders, all persons aged 12+ must show valid proof of vaccination to gain entrance to public events. Those patrons aged 18+ must present government-issued photo ID along with their proof of vaccination (<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/proof>).

Both Digital and Paper copies of the BC Vaccine Card are accepted, however it must include a scannable QR code. If your proof of vaccination cannot be scanned successfully, you will not be granted access to the venues.

OCCUPANCY AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Directional signs will be placed strategically around each Festival venue to facilitate safe physical distancing
- Seating areas will be determined both by Public Health and venue requirements to maximize the amount of space for social distancing regulation
- Auxiliary rooms will be reorganized to remove extraneous items and maximize available space

FACE MASKS

- All participants and audience members aged 5+ must wear a mask when entering and attending VKMF festival events in a public space unless actively consuming food or beverage at your seat. If you refuse to put your mask on you may be escorted out of the performance.

CLEANING

- All VKMF Board & staff, adjudicators, volunteers, students, and guests are asked to sanitize their hands upon entering and exiting the building and before and after room use
- Common Area high touch surfaces throughout each venue will be sanitized daily
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available in performance areas, auxiliary rooms and adjudication tables and topped up throughout each day

IF YOU FEEL UNWELL

If any participant has any symptoms of COVID-19, they will not be permitted to enter VKMF venues. This same restriction applies to VKMF Board members, staff, volunteers, teachers, students, and parents. If you have concerns, we encourage you to use the [BC health self-assessment tool](#).

FESTIVAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS

Over the coming weeks, the VKMF staff will provide all festival participants with further information and guidelines, specific to each festival (Solo & Small Ensemble, Jazz, Concert Band/Orchestra & Choral) relating to performance protocols.