



NANAIMO CONCERT BAND

LIBRARY CATALOG

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Using the Searchable PDF Library Catalog

The Library Catalog is now posted on the NCB Website www.nanaimoconcertband.com under the MEMBERS tab.

The Library Catalog can be opened in Adobe Acrobat Reader (a free download).

Once opened, you can magnify or reduce the list with the + and – icons

To do a search, click on the Search Icon (magnifying glass) and type your search word in the pop-up window. You will see your first search result highlighted in the database. Use the “Next” button in the search window to find additional matches for your search word.

To search by title just enter a key word from the title (eg. *Doctor*)

To search by composer enter the composer’s last name (eg. *Jarre*)

Notes from the Music Selection Committee

Thank you for helping the Music Selection Committee choose music for the upcoming concert! The Music Selection Committee is an advisory committee of volunteer band members that will assemble your suggested pieces and make programming recommendations to the Music Director.

A few hints that will make it even easier for us to choose music:

Check the database on our website to see if we have what you’re looking for...you will have a better chance of having your suggestion played if we already have it. Be specific...the more information you can provide us the better. Please limit your suggestions to 2 or 3 pieces of music.

If we have your suggestion in our library:

- write down the title, library number (column 1), arranger and grade (if listed) of your suggestion, and the last time it was played...you can find all this information on the database
- Note that the band will not normally repeat a piece that has been played in the last 5 years. (except Christmas tunes)

If we don’t have your suggestion in our library, try to find more information as follows:

- consult a publisher’s website like J.W. Pepper, or Hal Leonard to determine if your suggestion is available for purchase
- write down the title, arranger (very important), and grade(see below) of your suggestion
- look for a link to a Youtube video of your suggestion...if you search for the name of your tune with the correct arranger you will usually find what you’re looking for. If you can’t find your tune, it may be that the arrangement isn’t very popular. Choose, if you can, a video showing the conductor score...sometimes available on publisher’s website for newer music.
- JW Pepper uses a different grading system ME= Grade 3, M= Grade 4, MA= Grade 5
- For NCB, we would find Grade 3 quite easy, Grade 4 a moderate challenge, and Grade 5 more challenging.

If you are not able to find all of the above information, your choices are still valuable. Please send as much information as you can and the committee will try to work with it.

For our summer concerts we are looking for a bit lighter music, Grade 3-4 (ME or M)

For our Spring and Fall concerts we are looking for a bit more serious music with a few harder pieces. Grade 3-5 (ME, M, MA)

Please email your choices to nanaimoconcertband@gmail.com and they will be forwarded to all members of the Music Selection Committee, and entered on a list of member’s suggestions for future reference.