



THE COALITION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION IN CANADA IS GIVING CANADA A TASTE OF ITS OWN MEDICINE

Music Monday takes place Monday May 2nd 2022 and “Music Is Our Medicine” is the 2022 Song of Celebration

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—Toronto, ON – Just a spoonful of music will help the medicine go down...at least it will for this year's *MUSIC MONDAY*, taking place Monday May 2nd, 2022. Each year, hundreds of thousands of students, educators, and music makers celebrate with events from coast to coast to coast and participate in the collective singing of the Music Monday Song of Celebration, an original song written by a Canadian artist. Launched in 2005 by The Coalition for Music Education in Canada, **Music Monday** is one of the world's largest single events dedicated to raising awareness for music education.

The 2022 Song of Celebration “Music is our Medicine” was written by youth musicians [Mimi O'Bonsawin](#), a French-Canadian Indigenous lyricist, and Nicholas Ma, an award-winning composer from Oakville, ON currently attending Schulich School of Music at McGill University. This new work will be used in classrooms and celebrations across Canada for Music Monday 2022 and 2023. At 12:30 pm ET on May 2nd, the nation will join together to sing this song of celebration.

Canadian artists continue to be enthusiastic supporters of Music Mondays, and this year in honour of the 30th Anniversary of Coalition for Music Education in Canada, many past and upcoming performers will be contributing their own messages and music, including: Ed Robertson & Chris Hadfield, Chantal Kreviazuk, Luke Doucet, Jason McCoy, Chris Tait, Dala, Ammoye, Jill Barber, Michie Mee and more.

Music Monday 2022 will once again take place virtually. Tune in for our all-day Music Monday programming on our [YouTube channel](#). Registered participants will get early access to our content. Those who are interested are invited to register online to gain access to music and learning materials, and to plan a celebration in your school or community. Register at: <https://coalitioncanada.ca/en/events/music-monday-2022>

“By raising our voices and instruments in support of Music Monday, we make a powerful statement to all Canadians about the importance of equitable access to quality music education for all students. At 12:30 pm ET we will all sing/play/listen together; a unifying song to celebrate the power of music. We can't wait to join together and show the nation that Music is our Medicine!” said Stacey Sinclair, Executive Director, Coalition for Music Education in Canada.

Music Monday is generously supported by Canadian Heritage, The Namm Foundation, Long & McQuade, Yamaha Music Canada.

Media are invited to access media assets through our public [Media Gallery](#).

For more information, please contact info@coalitioncanada.ca. Music is our Medicine.

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ABOUT THE COALITION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

The Coalition for Music Education in Canada exists to raise the awareness and understanding of the role that music education plays in Canadian culture, and to promote the benefits that music education brings to young people. The Coalition is made up of parents, students, educators, and business and community partners from varying walks of life who support school music programs and highlight the importance of music education for all young people in Canada. For more information, visit www.coalitioncanada.ca