

Book Promotion Guidelines

Book Promotion is a formal concert in which students are recognized for their progress through the Suzuki literature. This event is open to all VSSA string students. The concert will be performed each year in November, in conjunction with VSSA's concert on the last group-lesson day. (See Group Lesson Calendar for this date.)

The annual Book Promotion program gives students, parents and teachers a way to mark progress and celebrate the accomplishments of the participants. It also gives new students and parents a way to appreciate and understand the path that lies before them. More advanced students can enjoy their role as models for the less advanced, by performing beautifully polished pieces, and remember where they came from and what they have accomplished.

Steps to take

1. Have required pieces well prepared and memorized. (required pieces can be found at www.valleysuzuki.org/book-promotion)
2. Make recording from memory (during the private lesson, when possible).
3. Have your teacher listen to and approve the recording.
4. Teacher, student and parent must ALL sign the application form. (Parents may sign for small children.)
5. Submit application form, fee and recording by date specified on the application form.

NOTE: Recordings may be in any of these formats: YouTube (send link), or small audio or video files attached to an email or text. Video or voice memo recordings from a phone are great. CD's or DVD's are also acceptable.

The recordings will be heard by a VSSA instructor, who will complete a comment sheet based on the following elements:

Note and rhythm accuracy; Clean articulation; Beautiful tone; Appropriate tempo, consistent throughout; Dynamics.

Book Promotion Awards

Each student participant receives a certificate of award and a trophy. A fee of \$10 is required.

Applications and recordings must be submitted to Heidi Wright ON OR BEFORE the date specified in the application form. No late applications will be accepted.

Review of the recordings will be completed promptly. Comment sheets and further instructions will be emailed to parents and teachers.

Questions? Contact Heidi Wright at 480-375-8681 or email at heidijw@gmail.com