



2016 NBRMTA Memorial Scholarship

Each year, the NB Registered Music Teachers' Association awards a scholarship to a deserving student in memory of one of its members. The scholarship rotates around the province to the various local festivals. This year in Sackville, a \$250 scholarship was given in memory of Evron Norinne Kinsman to Dakota Scott-Digout

Dakota Scott-Digout



Born and raised in Barrington, NS, pianist Dakota Scott-Digout began his musical studies at the age of five with Barbara Nickerson, and later William E. Smith of Shelburne, NS. Currently a third year Bachelor of Music student, Dakota studies piano with Dr. Stephen Runge at Mount Allison University, and has participated in masterclasses with world-renowned artists such as André Laplante and Measha Brueggergosman. He is an active member of the Mount Allison music community, frequently performing as a soloist, as well as a collaborative pianist with vocalists and instrumentalists. For the past two years, Dakota has been a rehearsal pianist, and continuo player for the Mount Allison University Opera Workshop. In addition to collaborative duties, Dakota maintains a studio of piano students from the Sackville area.

Evron Norinne Kinsman June 16, 1919-December 13, 2015



Evron Norinne Kinsman, Prof. Emerita, Music - of Kingsport, Kings County, died December 13, 2015 at Windsor Elms Village. She was the daughter of the late Reginald and Mildred (West) Kinsman.

With a music degree from Mt. Allison University '41, she began her 42-year teaching career at Bishop Spencer Anglican School, St. John's, Newfoundland. In 1945, she returned to Mt. Allison University, joining the Music Faculty (piano). Further studies were at Julliard, piano performance with Kathleen Long in London, England and Columbia University (M.A.). Evron enjoyed her students and was proud of their successes. She guided many student trios on concert tours, travelling throughout the Atlantic Provinces. She also frequently adjudicated at Music Festivals throughout the Maritimes.

At retirement, Evron was awarded the Herbert and Leota Tucker Memorial Prize for excellence in teaching. She returned to her beloved Annapolis Valley. As a member of Emmanuel United Church, she enjoyed being their organist for many years. She also enjoyed travel, with trips to Bermuda and various European Countries. Her last major trip was to Russia in 2001.

Family members are saddened to lose Evron while at the same time, we celebrate the very special relationship we all enjoyed with her. She will be missed by her nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her loving sisters, Elizabeth (Robert) Johnson and Alice (Bill) MacDonald.

A memorial service took place in May 2016 at Emmanuel United Church in Kingsport, Nova Scotia. Donations in memory of Evron Kinsman may be made to Mt. Allison University Music Department or to Emmanuel United Church, Canning, NS.