

BYLAWS OF THE SASKATOON JAZZ SOCIETY

1. DEFINITIONS

“Society” means the Saskatoon Jazz Society.

“Board” means the Board of Directors.

“Member” means a Regular or Honorary member.

2. FULFILMENT OF PURPOSE

The Society shall fulfil its purpose by:

- i. Operating a venue suitable for world class musical performances;
- ii. Arranging performances of local, national and international jazz artists in that venue (or other suitable venue if required);
- iii. Awarding scholarships to promising local jazz musicians;
- iv. Supporting the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival;
- v. Organizing jam sessions at the venue for novice through seasoned jazz performers;
- vi. Renting or donating the venue to local musicians for practice, allowing use of the Society’s instruments if requested.

3. MEMBERSHIP

A. Membership Fees

- i. Membership fees shall be set by the Board prior to the annual general meeting.

B. Regular membership

- i. Any person, group of persons or organization who has not had their membership in the Society revoked may become a regular member by:
 1. *submitting a completed membership form, and*
 2. *paying the prescribed membership fee.*
- ii. The membership becomes effective when the membership fee has been received.

C. Honorary membership

- i. The Board may choose to award an honorary membership to any member that the Board determines has served the Society in an exemplary manner.
- ii. An honorary membership shall be awarded for the life of the member.
- iii. Honorary members are not required to pay a membership fee.

4. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- A. Any regular member of the Society may become a director of the Society.
- B. Directors shall serve two year terms.
- C. A member wishing to become a director must complete the prescribed nomination form. The nomination form must be received by the Society at least five business days before the annual general meeting.
- D. Two members other than the member being nominated must sign a nomination form.
- E. If the total number of directors whose terms are not expiring and the number of nominees is fewer than or is equal to the maximum number of directors allowed, nominees shall be acclaimed. If the total is greater than the maximum number of directors allowed, a vote shall be conducted.
- F. Voting for directors will be conducted by secret ballot.