

New Bedford High School music department wins big at Massachusetts 'Music in the Parks' Festival

"Jazz Band wins 1st place Division AA earning "Superior" rating; Chorus earns "Excellent" rating.

The New Bedford High School Jazz Band won First Place in the High School Jazz Division AA with a rating of "Superior." The NBHS Chorus earned Third Place in the High School Chorus Division with rating of "Excellent." It is the first time the Jazz Band has earned a superior rating since 2019.

Ashh Antunes, vibraphonist for the Jazz Band, won an individual award for best instrumental soloist.

On Friday, May 12, the New Bedford High School Jazz Band, and Chorus traveled to the Six Flags Music in the Parks Festival at Westfield State University. "This festival is important musically for students, to receive feedback from renowned adjudicators," said jazz band director Timothy Mason, adding "But it's also really nice to reward the students for their hard work with a fun performance and trip to a theme park."

After performing at Westfield High School and Westfield State University, the students and staff attended Six Flags New England, Agawam, Massachusetts.

The Jazz Band has their final performance of the year at a free public concert at the Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum, Tuesday, May 16 at 7:00 p.m. The NBHS Chorus has their Cabaret performances at NBHS May 18 and May 19 in the Little Theatre."-New Bedford High School.



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