

FREQUENTLY ASKED MUSIC QUESTIONS



Q: Do I Need Original Music? What does that mean?

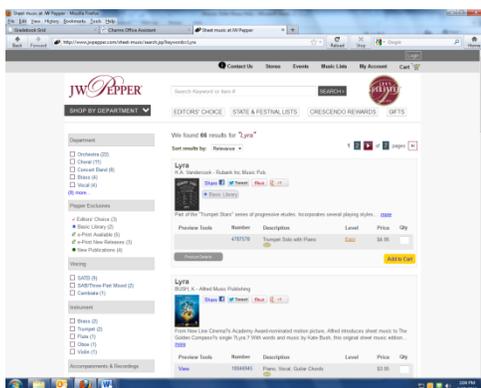
A: If you are performing a solo that is an obvious copy, YES, you need to purchase the original to perform at contest. Most music does not cost more than about \$15. The music will come with a part just for your instrument and then a piano accompaniment part – this is for your accompanist, and they will give it back to you once you are finished with the contest. Write your name and school on both originals.

Q: How do I get original music?

A: The easiest way to get original music is to go online or call and order it from a sheet music dealer. Listed below are several music companies that we have worked with. You will need your solo in front of you to order it. For instructional purposes, we will use JWPepper's website screenshot below.



In the top “search” bar, type the name of your solo. For example, “Lyra” for trumpet is a popular solo. If you are searching for a solo that is within a book of solos, type in the name of that book of solos. **Make sure the composer, arranger, and publisher are all the same.** There are many different arrangements of a piece and they differ slightly from each other, so you need to get the exact version of your solo. **If you decide to call** instead of order online, use this search to find the number of your solo so that the person on the phone can find your solo more quickly.



As you can see, the search bar came back with several “Lyra” pieces. Find the one with your composer's name listed under it; in this case, H. A. Vandercook.

Add the item to your cart and send it to your house. Write your name and school on both parts and bring the piano part to your rehearsals with your accompanist. If you want to use the copy of the solo that you've been using to practice, that's fine. However, you still **need to bring the original to the solo contest** for your judge.

Q: When should I order my music?

A: It generally takes about 4 weeks to receive music in the mail. Order your solo TODAY!

JW Pepper Music
www.jwpepper.com
1-800-345-6296

Pender's Music Company
www.penders.com
1-800-772-5918

RBC Music
1-800-548-0917
www.rbcmusic.com