### February 2004



# UPPER ISLAND MUSICAL FESTIVAL

#### March 7 - 12

### **FESTIVAL PERFORMERS:**

- My time at Festival is your lesson for that week.
- You all have your individual schedules for the week of Vocal Festival.
- Arrive for your performance at least one-half hour before your class begins.
- Absolutely no tape or video recorders, or flash photography will be allowed.
- Bring water bottles.
- For morning classes, rise early & eat something (All participants should eat at least 2-3 hours before your performance. Avoid dairy or citrus).
- There is a dress code: No jeans! No sweats! and ABSOLUTELY NO BARE MIDRIFFS!
- Practice singing in the clothes and shoes that you plan to wear in performance.
- Musical theatre performers all need to have their costumes ready **NOW!**
- Be prepared to pay Chelsea *before* your last class. Do not forget your signed cheque or cash. She is a working student and an excellent artist. It is not acceptable to make her wait for payment. Tips (if you choose) are also appreciated.
- Attention! 16-year-olds and under from the Folk Song class on Sunday afternoon March 7: You are encouraged to attend the Sunday evening performance of Jerod Bertram, Betty Allison, and Pam Rounis. It will not only be a concert, but a music lesson.

# NON-FESTIVAL PERFORMERS

• Anyone not in Vocal Festival whose scheduled lesson time conflicts during Festival week is being accommodated with a rescheduled lesson during Festival.

### COUNTRY CLUB MALL TALENT CONTEST

Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 12 noon

- You may audition with the tape used previously.
- If you choose to change your piece, the new piece will only be worked on in your lesson if *all* your Festival pieces are "Good to go".
- Any new piece to be performed at the contest must be committed to memory by the week of March 22 26.
- Anyone needing new backups from the Studio must bring in a CD prior to Spring Break (March 1 – 4).
- You will be notified of your acceptance into the contest by April 1.
- No dress rehearsal has yet been scheduled.

# **STUDIO CLOSURE DATES**

- Friday February 27 (not available from the evening of February 26 to Sunday February 29).
- Friday March 5 (not available until Sunday morning March 7; Festival begins Sunday afternoon March 7).
- In other words, the Studio will not be available for last minute Festival crises.

#### Final Words...

- We are a team!
- We are completely supportive of every other performer.
- Have fun, enjoy your moment!
- Remember: this experience is about doing—not winning.
- Break a leg!

Yours in music, Andrea Bertram