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NEW SYLLABI WILL REPLACE PREVIOUS EDITIONS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2009:

- PIANO SYLLABUS, 2008 EDITION
- ACCORDION SYLLABUS, 2008 EDITION
- HARPSICHORD SYLLABUS, 2008 EDITION
- RECORDER SYLLABUS, 2008 EDITION
- POPULAR SELECTION LISTS, 2009 EDITION

The *PIANO SYLLABUS 2008 EDITION* incorporates new features and information, including:

- easy-to-read summary charts
- new technical requirements
- new marking scheme
- full Study/Étude listings
- examinations for new Preparatory A and B (replacing Introductory)
- Piano Pedagogy Certificate Program information

The *PIANO SYLLABUS 2008 EDITION* is available for purchase at music retailers across Canada. To find a retailer near you, visit The Frederick Harris Music Co., Limited website at www.frederickharrismusic.org.

The other new syllabi—including the *HARP SYLLABUS, 2009 EDITION*—are available free of charge on our website at: www.rcmexaminations.org. (Just click on SYLLABI on the home page under NEW! and download.)



NEW THEORY SYLLABUS, 2009 EDITION

The new *THEORY SYLLABUS, 2009 EDITION* is now available at music retailers across Canada. A one-year crossover with the previous edition begins September 1, 2009 and ends August 31, 2010. To help introduce teachers to the new Syllabus, RCM Examinations will be holding workshops in each province. Check for a workshop in your area on our website under *TEACHER INFORMATION* and in upcoming issues of *MUSIC MATTERS*.

NEW LICENTIATE DIPLOMA

A new Licentiate program is now available for advanced students who have an ARCT Diploma in Performance, Piano Pedagogy, or a Bachelor of Music Degree. Copies of the *LICENTIATE SYLLABUS* are available free online. Examinations for the Licentiate Program will be offered beginning in the Dec. 2009 / Jan. 2010 Winter Session.

NEW ONLINE VIDEOS

Visit the RCM Examinations website to watch our new video series for teachers. On the home page, click the link in the *NEW!* section. The series features:

- AN INTRODUCTION BY JON KIMURA PARKER
- PIANO SYLLABUS, 2008 EDITION
- TECHNICAL TESTS
- PREPARATORY A & B
- TEACHER SERVICES
- MY FIRST EXAM (A VIDEO FOR STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS)

At the conclusion of each video, we ask for your opinion in a brief questionnaire. Please help us to continually improve by taking a few moments to completing our survey.

MEMORY MARKS

Reminder: If you're a piano teacher, don't forget that memory marks for Grades 8 to 10 are now included in the overall repertoire mark, and are no longer a separate category on the marking form.

PREPARATORY A & B

To help introduce the new Preparatory A & B examinations, which replace the old Introductory examination, every first-time candidate in 2009 will receive a special welcome gift from RCM Examinations consisting of a new dictation book, an RCM Examinations pencil, and a sheet of music stickers.

IMPORTANT DATES

WINTER SESSION

Sept. 22	Registration begins
Nov. 3	Registration deadline
Dec. 11 & 12	Theory examinations
Jan. 18-30	Practical examinations



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