

Dear Colleague:

The Michigan BassFest – West 2018 will be held Saturday, May 19, 2018 at East Rockford Middle School, 8615 9 Mile Rd NE, Rockford, MI 49341. The Michigan BassFest – West will provide your bass students an opportunity to play in ensembles, perform solos and receive coaching from some of the country's finest bass teachers. We hope you will encourage your bass students to attend. Please pass this application and student information sheet on to your bass students and other string teachers in your district. We are again pleased to be sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the American String Teachers Association (MASTA).

Teacher Participation

For string teachers who would like to learn more about teaching the double bass, and to help improve your bass skills, we will be offering a special session for teachers to ask questions and work on their own bass skills. You are welcome to come and observe our sessions at no charge, or you may bring a bass and participate with the students for a fee of only \$20.00. If you wish to attend, please send me an email at allison.n.holden@gmail.com. Provide your name, indicate where you teach or attend college, and provide your contact information. We look forward to having you and your students join us on May 19th!

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