

**~Calvin Dyck~**  
**2017 NIFPA Strings Adjudicator**



Raised in Mission on a Christmas tree farm, **Calvin Dyck** was introduced to the accordion at the age of 5 by a travelling salesman, and started Suzuki Violin at the age of 8.

In spite of a college aptitude test recommending a career as a *tug boat captain*, Calvin completed a music degree at Biola University, and went on to complete a Masters and Doctorate in violin performance at the University of Southern California with minors in choral conducting, music education and music history.

Calvin has been concertmaster for the Vancouver Island Symphony in Nanaimo for 16 years, and directs the summer show “Symphony by the Sea” for the VIS. He is the director of the Abbotsford Youth Orchestra, and is in demand as an adjudicator, teacher and producer.

In 2012 Calvin was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for service to the community. In April, 2013 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humanities by Trinity Western University.