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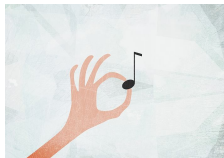
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Did you know...?

That the Music Learning Center offers Gift Certificates?

Music lessons will make a memorable gift for family and friends this holiday season. Please stop by the office for more information.

Have you seen our community bulletin board?

It features upcoming musical events from throughout our local area. Check it out from

Dear Jeff,

We hope that you and your family have safely and comfortably gotten through hurricane "Sandy" and its aftermath. The Music Learning Center was closed on October 29th and 30th. Credits for missed lessons have been applied to your November charges. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Now we are ready to resume our very busy fall season! Please take a moment to check out this edition of *MUSIC NEWS*. It includes information about our upcoming Fall Recital weekend, as well as recent student accomplishments, information about our stellar new faculty and more....

As always, we thank you for being a part of the Music Learning Center!

The MLC Staff -
 Jeff McGill, Director
 Sara Vokes, Assistant to the Director
 Renee Harris, Office Assistant

Fall Recital Weekend Friday November 16th through Sunday November 18th.



Our students and teachers are busy getting ready for the Music Learning Center's 20th annual fall recital weekend. Sections are scheduled for Friday at 7pm, Saturday at 3 and 5pm and Sunday at 1, 3 and 5pm. Each participating student will receive a recital information slip from their teacher. The slip contains the day and time of the section in which you have been assigned to perform.

Each of the six sections will feature a variety of instruments and musical styles. From piano to voice and marimba; from classical to pop and jazz.... plus everything in between! Our performers range from age five to adult, and from beginner to advanced levels. Our recitals are FREE and open to the public, so please invite all of your family and friends.

time to time and help us support the many wonderful musical organizations that present local concerts and events. Several of these events include performances by MLC teachers, students or their families.

Please stop by the office if you have a local music related event that you would like to post.

And don't forget to check out MLC's own events bulletin board!

Located on the right hand wall as you enter the waiting area, this bulletin board features MLC related information. You will find our monthly calendar with coming events or closures, as well as a variety of other news and postings. MLC's calendar also appears on our website - click here:

[MLC CALENDAR](#)

MLC drum and percussion instructor James Walker has been busy this fall!



LOCATION: The Danbury Music Centre's Marion Anderson Recital Hall, 256 Main Street.

Parents are encouraged to stop by the office for a copy of our Parent's Guide to MLC's Student Recitals.

MLC Students shine on stage!

Recently MLC voice student Sydney Coelho played the part of Little Red Riding Hood in "Into The Woods" during the Brookfield Theatre for the Arts production of this Stephen Sondheim musical. Sydney is a long time student of Margaret McKerrow's.

Julie Tramontana and Karen Kimble will both be playing parts in the musical "Thoroughly Modern Millie Jr." at the Henry H Wells Middle School in Brewster, NY.

They are piano students of Natalia Kolenciak.

Please share your student news and accomplishments with us for inclusion in future MLC newsletters!



Somewhere Over the Rainbow
You'll find
The Music Learning Center
Where dreams really do come true!

Thanks to Annie Sorrels for capturing this "rainbow over MLC" with her camera phone one day this past summer.

Welcome New Faculty!

On September 22nd, Jim presented a jazz vibraphone clinic at Keene State College, during the "Day of Percussion" for the New Hampshire Chapter of the Percussive Arts Society.

On November 4th, he'll be presenting a workshop in Indian rhythmic studies ("konokol") at the Choate School in Wallingford, CT.



To find out if MLC's schedule has been affected by the weather...

1. [Call the MLC office](#)

Our voicemail will announce any closing information.

2. [Go to our website:](#)

www.musiclearningcenter.org.

There will be a running banner on the homepage with information about any weather related changes to our schedule.

3. [Go online at](#)

www.ctweather.com.

Click on "IAN Cancellations" then "Learning Centers" to find any posting. You may also sign up on ctweather.com to receive a text message whenever we have posted information.

Cecilia Burns

Teaching Flute

Cecilia graduated summa cum laude from Loyola University where she received a Bachelor of Music Therapy degree with a concentration in flute performance. She is currently completing her Master of Music Therapy degree from Loyola. Cecilia has earned several scholarships including the Deming Family Scholarship from the Danbury Music Centre and Loyola University Dean's Scholarship. She is a member of the National Flute Association and the American Music Therapy Association. Cecilia recently performed at the Richter Park Summer Musical Series in Danbury, CT as flutist for the production of *42nd street*.

Jumaane Smith

Teaching Trumpet and Brass

Jumaane Smith is an internationally recognized trumpeter and musician. Recordings he's appeared on have sold more than 25 million copies worldwide, garnered four Grammy nominations and earned three Grammy wins. Jumaane has toured the world with Michael Buble's band, played the Grammy Awards show with Stevie Wonder, performed on the Jonas Brothers recording "As I Am" with Alicia Keys and appeared on the "American Idol" soundtrack. Additionally, Jumaane scored and performed the music for the film "Handsome Harry". Jumaane has also worked with Quincy Jones, Wyclef Jean, Justin Bieber, Diddy, Wynton Marsalis, Ravi Coltrane, Natalie Cole and many others. Jumaane began his musical studies in the fourth grade and at age 16 performed with his high school jazz band at the Montreaux Jazz Festival in Switzerland. He then moved to New York City and attended the New School University on scholarship. Jumaane was invited to take private lessons with Wynton Marsalis over a two and a half year period. He was a member of the inaugural class in the Jazz Studies program at Julliard where he received his degree. He is currently working on his own album, a celebration of the Great American Songbook.

Roxana Tourigny

Teaching Voice and Piano

Roxana received her Bachelor of Music from the University of New Hampshire and Master of Music from the University of Michigan. Her major studies were in vocal performance with minor studies in theory and piano. She has performed as soloist with many orchestras and ensembles both in the United States and in Germany and has either placed or won several awards in those same countries. Appearances have been with Sinfonia d/Opera, New Hampshire Summer Music Festival, the Seacoast Big Band; the Saarlaendischer Rundfunk Orchestre in Germany and many others. She has extensive experience as a lecturer, teacher, organist, choir director and has coordinated numerous musical and cultural events. Roxana has taught voice and piano privately for more than 30 years.

Thank you for reading this edition of "Music News" - the newsletter of the Music Learning Center. We have lots more news to come ... so keep an eye out for our next edition. Have something to share? Please let us know!

Details about our weather cancellation policies.

Regarding weekday lesson schedules.

Local School closings and delayed openings do not automatically affect the MLC Schedule.

Any decision to close for the day will be posted on our voicemail and online by 1:00pm.

A decision to close early is made by 4:00pm. This cancels lessons that begin at 5:30pm or later.

Regarding Saturday lessons schedules

Any decision to close for the day or have a delayed opening will be posted on our voicemail and online by 8:00am. In case of a delayed opening - lessons scheduled at 10:30am or later will meet at their regular time.

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