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Music Matters

Music Institute Mission Statement

To provide opportunities for music study, performance, and therapeutic application through music therapy regardless of age, race, ability, or financial status; thus enhancing lives, broadening the base of support for the arts, and strengthening the community as a whole.

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NOTEWORTHY NEWS



Students and faculty have been busy at the Music Institute! They have been involved in weekly lessons, group classes, performances, masterclasses, festivals, and competitions. Read below and learn about some highlights from our spring semester!

- **The Music Institute is growing!** Did you know that the Music Institute employs 21 artist/teachers and serves over 675 students representing 9 counties?
- The Music Institute welcomes new faculty members **Beth Scherfee** (piano), **Stephanie Swezey** (music therapy), and **Amy Britton** (violin).
- **Thirty-seven** piano students performed in the KFMC Piano Festival and received *Superior* or *Excellent* ratings.
- Music Institute faculty **Raleigh Dailey** (jazz piano) and **Paul Deatherage** (percussion) perform frequently throughout the region as part of the The Raleigh Daleigh Trio, The DiMartino/Osland Jazz Orchestra, and the Osland/Dailey Jazztet. Their next performance is at Natasha's on Wed., April 27th @ 9pm.
- The band *The Conch Republic*, which includes Music Institute faculty **Jenna McKinley** (voice) and **Charles McKinley** (saxophone and electric bass), recently received the Horizon Award for being the top grossing Trop Rock band on GigMaster.com. Check out their website at conchrepublicband.com.
- **Jeanine Wheeler**, Music Institute piano faculty and board certified music therapist, presented a music therapy workshop at the Lexington Federated Music Club Meeting on March 14th. To view her presentation, visit youtube.com/watch?v=RI81iyehuWg
- **Maria Le-Rose Herndon**, Music Institute piano and organ faculty member, will perform a DMA organ recital on Saturday, May 7th at 3:00pm in the Concert Hall at Singletary Center for the Arts. She will perform again on Sunday, May 22nd at 4:30pm at Christ Church Cathedral in Lexington. Admission to both concerts is free and open to the public.
- Music Institute piano faculty member **Nan Richerson** was the recipient of the 2011 Music Teacher's National Association Recreational Music Making Award. This award is sponsored by the Piano Technician's Guild and was presented to Nan at the 2011 MTNA National Conference in Milwaukee on March 30th.
- **Haley Todd**, student of Nan Richerson, placed 3rd in the LFMC Junior Composers Competition for students ages 10-12. Haley is a 6th grader at SCAPA.
- Piano lessons at the **Music Institute Georgetown Branch** are now available. Call for details!
- **Sixteen piano students** from the studio of Maria LeRose-Herndon participated in Hollywood Nights at Gist Piano Center on March 12th.
- On February 22, The Music Institute hosted a community-wide string masterclass with concertmaster **Ricardo Cyncynates from the National Symphony Orchestra**.

Music Institute FACULTY

• **Keyboard**

Raleigh Dailey
Myllinda Dockery
Maria LeRose-Herndon
Nan Baker Richerson
Beth Scherfee
Jeanine Wheeler

• **Strings**

Amy Britton
Julianna Gunby
Leah Hagel
Gretchen Wilcox Tucker

• **Voice**

Jenna McKinley

• **Brass & Woodwinds**

Austin Bralley
Charles McKinley
Rick Stafford
Jan Sullivan
Jeanine Wheeler

• **Percussion**

Paul Deatherage

• **Guitar**

Matt Cook
Charles McKinley
Mike Shouse

• **Music Therapy**

Stephanie Swezey
Jeanine Wheeler

• **Early Childhood**

Dale Dufour
Myllinda Dockery
Jenna McKinley

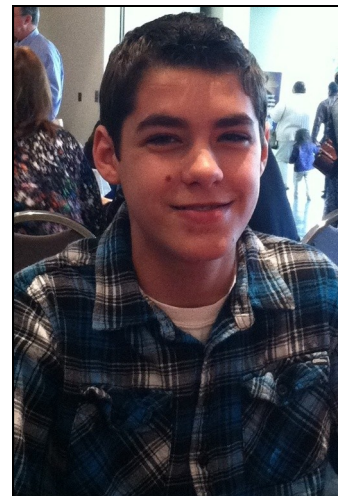
Faculty Spotlight: Charles McKinley, saxophone and bass guitar



Charles McKinley is a graduate of the Eastern Kentucky University music program where he studied saxophone under Dr. Connie Rhodes from 1993 to 1997. He has been on faculty at the Music Institute for five years teaching electric bass, saxophone, and Garage Band. Charles frequently performs around the midwest region and across the country. A versatile musician, he can be found in local jazz groups, lounge performances, and in arena and club venues in support of well known acts ranging in style from country to hard rock. Charles has shared the stage with Quiet Riot, Jackyl, Tone Loc, P-Funk keyboardist Bernie Worrell, country artist Billy Currington, The Beach Boys, and The Coral Reefers, to name a few. He is also an experienced studio musician appearing on albums such as *Nine Days Wonder* (Blue Honey), *2:Twelve* (Much Is Given), and *I've Got to Move* (Tee Dee Young and Scandalous). Currently Charles performs with The Conch Republic Band (conchrepublicband.com), MaxeyFlat, and Ronnie Lawson and Country Law. He has made music - and sharing the dialogue it creates between musicians - his life's work.

Student Spotlight: Sebastian, saxophone

Sebastian Bradley is fourteen years old and an eighth grader at The Lexington Latin School (Home School co-op). Sebastian has been playing the tenor saxophone for two and a half years, and he studies with Charles McKinley at the Music Institute. Sebastian's favorite part of practicing is getting better, and some of his favorite pieces include *In a Sentimental Mood*, *Bessie's Blues*, and *Crescent*, all by John Coltrane. Sebastian played in the Beaumont Middle School Band for two years and the Beaumont Jazz Band for one year - he was first chair in both bands! He has also participated in Battle of the Bands through his church. When Sebastian is not practicing, he enjoys playing football and basketball, hanging out with friends, making his own movies, and reading. His favorite subjects in school are Algebra and History, and he is thinking about becoming a cinematographer.



New faculty: Beth Scherfee and Stephanie Swezey



Beth Scherfee
Piano

The Music Institute welcomes Beth Scherfee (piano), and Stephanie Swezey (music therapy) to its faculty! **Beth Scherfee** holds degrees from the University of Redlands Conservatory of Music and California State University, Long Beach. She has 26 years of music teaching experience in the private setting and in the classroom. **Stephanie Swezey** is a graduate of Florida State University and a board certified music therapist. While her primary instrument is piano, she also uses the guitar, her voice and many other instruments when conducting music therapy sessions.



Stephanie Swezey
Music Therapy

Music Institute Photos

Enjoy the pictures below taken at various events this semester!



On March 12th, piano students from The Music Institute performed in "Hollywood Nights" sponsored by Gist Piano Center. Students dressed up and performed pieces from their favorite movies! A complete list of performers can be found on the next page.

Music Institute students are enjoying classes in the new Roland Piano Lab! The pics below are from three different piano classes: Petite Pianists in Pajamas - ages 4-5 (left), Piano for Pleasure - ages 60 and above (middle), and Piano Foundations - ages 6-7 (right).



The Music Institute hosted a community-wide piano masterclass taught by Dr. Greg Partain (right) on Saturday, March 26th. The following students performed: Kate Heinonen, student of Jeanine Wheeler; Joshua Koerper, student of Adrienne McKinney; Jared Young, student of Nan Richerson; Jenny Lee, student of May Man.



KFMC Piano Festival Participants

from the Music Institute of Lexington

Each student below prepared two pieces (one required piece and one choice piece) and performed from memory for two judges and an audience on March 12th at the KFMC Piano Festival. All Music Institute performers received *Superior* or *Excellent* ratings. Congratulations to all participants!

Adeline Yates	Eliza Jane Schaeffer	Nick Lentz
Aileen Conner	Emily Peng	Rachel Roberts
Albert Tang	Foster Yates	Rosalynd Hollingsworth
Andres Palomino	Greg Kimmerer	Ruby Sharrard
Angeline He	Hanako Abe	Ruby Wiggs
Avery Pile	Jack Lentz	Shane Lindsey
Bailey Knight	Jason Li	Sharon Chen
Ben Duttlinger	John Andrew Segebarth	Tamson Gardner
Bryanna Taylor	Laura Rogers	Thomas Huang
Chase Hollingsworth	Levente Gal	Thomas Patton
Christian Smith	Loren Brocato	Varun Mohan
Cole MacKenzie	Luke Ransom	Vicky Chen
Corinne Sharrard	Luke Xue	Vincent Cao
Daniel Zhao	Maggie Hudson	Will Kimmerer
David Palomino	Nathan Chang	Zachary Garrison

Hollywood Nights

Sixteen pianists from the piano studio of Maria LeRose Herndon performed in "Hollywood Nights" at Gist Piano Center on March 12th. (See pics on pg 3!)

Hillary Thompson
Maggie Hudson
Levente Gal
Daniel Zhao
Allison Kimmerer
Will Kimmerer
Greg Kimmerer
Mya Finn
Loren Brocato
Lauren Hines
Luke Ransom
Angelia Holder
Shane Lindsey
Rachel Roberts
Laura Rogers
Luke Xue

2011 SPRING SEMESTER CALENDAR

April 16	Bach Piano Festival Central Christian Church	May 7	Music Institute Hosts the CKMTA Piano Festival
April 17	Community Outreach Recital, Hartland Hills Retirement Community, 2:00pm	May 23-28	Music Institute Spring Recitals
April 30	Voice Masterclass with Dr. Heather Hunnicutt, 1:00pm	May 28	Last Day of Spring Semester
		May 30	Summer Semester Begins

The Kentucky Arts Council, the state arts agency, supports the Music Institute with state tax dollars and federal funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. Facilities provided in part by Trinity Hill United Methodist Church.

