

2008 Half Notes

1st Semester

How does music inspire you?

Lynn Riska, Registrar

Do you sing in a church choir, play in a garage band, or audition for every musical play in the area? The Wausau Conservatory of Music can help you create your own musical experience when you design your own class or build your own ensemble!

Whether you want to write a piece of music, create a choir, or learn a new instrument in a group setting; together we can decide on the number of weeks, length of class/instruction, day of the week, and the time. We have 25 faculty members with a wealth of talent and expertise--tap into them and the possibilities are endless!

Create a lasting musical experience for you and your family; register today for the Fall 2008-2009 Semester.



Important information

To Register for the fall, contact the Registrar's office by phone: 845-6279 x 102, or stop in to schedule a lesson/class/ensemble. Lesson times slots are assigned on a first come, first served basis. Please see "Steps to Register" on page 4 for important information.

If you are not getting the monthly Staccatto Notes emailed to you, visit our website and sign up today.

The *Una Notte Bella* Committee invites you to this year's themed event *A Parisian Soirée* on Friday, October 24, 2008.

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REGISTRATION AND KEY INFORMATION

Steps to Register

1. Registration for the fall has begun. Contact the Registrar's office by phone: 845-6279 x 102, or stop in to schedule a lesson/class/ensemble.

2. Complete the registration form and return it along with your \$75 deposit to hold your time slot by Monday, August 18th. **The non-refundable deposit will be applied to the total cost of the semester's tuition.**

3. Families will be billed for the semester in August. Payment is due by September 1, 2008. Students are not admitted to lessons or classes until full payment of all fees have been made or arranged for. We accept checks, VISA, MasterCard, Discover, cash (exact amount) or our **NEW and IMPROVED** Automatic Monthly Payment Plan. (Call the Registrar for details)

4. Lesson time slots are assigned on a first come, first-served basis. **A returning student's time slot does not automatically remain the same from the previous year.**

For more information regarding attendance & make-up lessons, current catalogs are available online or at the Registrar's desk. (Room 102)

Cancellations for Weather

We do not close when area schools close. However, if you are unable to make your lesson, call ahead.

Staccato Notes

Stay connected! WCM has gone green by producing a monthly newsletter, Staccato Notes. It is delivered to your email address mid-month. If you currently are not receiving it, please go to our website wausauconservatory.org to sign up. The newsletter is written by board member Shereen Flynn. As a bonus once you are connected, you can list instruments for sale in the newsletter.

Fund Drives

Did you know that tuition dollars only cover 70% of the cost of the Wausau Conservatory education? As a non-profit organization, the school has relied on the support of the community for the past 27 years. Please consider making us one of your favorite charities.

This year the school goal is to raise over \$90,000 through corporate and individual fund drives. If you are interested in placing a corporate sponsorship, please call us to learn more.

Donations Needed

Portable CD Players
Portable Speakers for ipods

New or gently used items are needed for *Una Notte Bella*. Popular items include books, games, toys, and cookbooks.

We also looking for volunteers for this event. Please call Paula Clark at the Conservatory if you would like to volunteer or to make a donation.

Una Notte Bella A Parisian Soirée

Friday, October 24
Jefferson Street Inn.
Guest Artist: Robin Pluer



All proceeds from this event go to fund scholarships. Guests will enjoy an evening of French cuisine, entertainment, and auctions. Milwaukee French vocalist Robin Pluer will serenade guests with French classics. Tickets are \$50/person or \$350/table of 8. Please join us for this exciting evening!

Musical Art Project

Sixteen unrepairable instruments were given to area artists with the freedom to transform the instruments into pieces of artwork. As instruments are completed, you can view them on our website.

They will be auctioned off at Una Notte Bella.



Artist Heidi Garske's cello "before" she is transforming it into art.. Visit wausauconservatory.org to see "after" photos.



Voice Classes

SPOTLIGHTS VOICE CLASS - Our fastest growing class!

Starts September 9th & 11th, 14 Weeks

Erin Philleo, Instructor

Especially designed for girls grades 1 - 5, they will begin working on vocal technique, proper pitch, notation, rhythms, and performance skills. The group performs a recital each semester featuring age-appropriate musical theater selections and classic folk songs. This semester Group I will sing selections from *Annie* and Group II will sing selections from *High School Musical*.

Tuesdays at 4:15 - 5:00 pm

Group I ~ 1st & 2nd Grades

Thursdays at 5:30-6:15 pm

Group II ~ 3rd, 4th, & 5th Grades

BOYS WILL BE BOYS - Our most popular new class!

Starts Thursday, Sept. 11th 6:30-7:15pm 14 Weeks

Erin Philleo, Instructor

Voice class for boys grades 1st - 5th: helps them learn the principles of correct breathing, musical phrasing, enunciation, blending, ear training, and diction in a small group setting. Songs this semester will include selections from *School House Rock*.

HOME SCHOOLERS VOICE CLASS

Thurs., Sept 11th 2:00-3:00pm 14 Weeks

Scott Hunsberger - Instructor

This class is aimed at 12-18 year old home schooled students who don't have the opportunity to study proper singing techniques in a group setting. Topics include: posture, breathing, sound production, ear training, phrasing, and more.

ADULT VOICE CLASS

Tuesday, September 9th 7:00-8:00pm 14 Weeks

Scott Hunsberger - Instructor

Learn to sing in a group with confidence! Topics will include posture, breathing, production, how to cure stage fright, and how to practice more effectively and become a better singer.

Choral

CHORALIERS CHOIR

(Open By Audition Only)

26 Weeks from Sept to May:

Wednesdays - 4:30-5:30pm

Julie Burgess - Instructor

The Conservatory's award-winning choir for students grades 5th-8th. A wide repertoire of music will be learned with the main focus on performing throughout the year. Call by Aug. 22nd for an audition time.

CHORALATION CHOIR

(Open By Audition Only)

26 Weeks from Sept-May

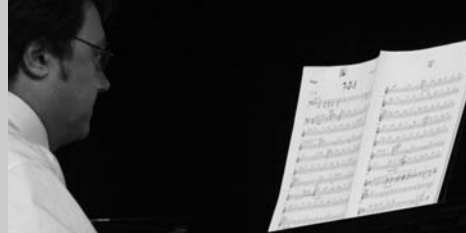
Sundays - 4:30-5:45pm

Julie Burgess - Instructor

Open to high school and college aged students, this choir sings a wide repertoire of challenging music in several concerts each year. They performed at Carnegie Hall in 2004 and 2007. Call by Aug. 22nd for an audition time.

Attention Choir Teachers:

Vocal Coaching for your students is available to help you with sectionals, small groups, or even as a guest clinician. Call for details.



Ensembles

Classes

JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Saturdays: 10:30am-noon
14 Weeks

John Greiner - Instructor

This ensemble is designed to explore jazz as a group activity with one of the area's premier jazz musicians; for teenagers and adult musicians. Those interested need to talk with Mr. Greiner first. For more information or to set up a meeting with Mr. Greiner, call the Registrar.

FLUTE CHOIR

Mon., Sept. 8th 7:00-8:30pm
(High School students are welcome with consent of instructor.)

8 Weeks (every other week)

Terri Harter - Instructor

A flute choir is exciting, fun, challenging, and stimulating for flutists. Students will have an opportunity to try out alto and bass flutes as well as the piccolo and enjoy learning a variety of music.

WAUSAU AREA YOUTH SYMPHONY (WAYS)

16 Weeks

WAYS is a string orchestra for students in grades 9-12 with at least three years of playing experience. (Younger students by audition.) This ensemble plays a variety of literature, and highlights include an annual winter and spring concert.

KINDERMUSIK

15 Weeks: Sept 9th & 11th

Erin Philleo, Instructor

Kindermusik is an award-winning program that helps children experience the wonder of music before beginning formal music instruction. It brings together families and teachers who are committed to bringing music to children's lives through developmentally appropriate curricula, CDs, books, instruments, and activities.

Our Time--Ages 1 1/2 to 3 1/2

Thursdays: 10:30-11:15am or
Tuesdays - 5:15-6:00pm

Imagine That--Ages 3 1/2 to 4 1/2

Thursdays : 12:00-12:45pm

Young Child - Ages--4 1/2 to 7

Thursdays: 4:15-5:15pm

Young Child III-- Ages 4 1/2 to 7

Tuesdays: 6:15-7:15pm

GUITAR FROM SCRATCH

Group Guitar Lessons

8 Week Session

Tuesday, Sept. 9th 7:00-8:00pm

Thomas McComb - Instructor

A group class for those who are just learning to play the guitar or have no guitar playing experience. You'll learn basic essential guitar-playing skills including tuning, right-hand and left-hand techniques, holding the pick, strumming styles, rhythms, and many chords.

COMPOSITION

14 Weeks Sept. 8 & 9

Mara Beckman - Instructor

Get your musical ideas down on paper! Learn how to write and arrange pieces of music. Students will receive guidance and advice while composing at least one piece of music and will perform the original compositions in a recital.

Composition II

Mon. 7:30-8:30 pm

Composition I

Tues. 7:00-8:00 pm

BEGINNING THEORY & HISTORY

Thurs., Sept. 11th 6:30-7:30pm

15 Weeks

Tom Britanyak - Instructor

For those interested in deepening their understanding of the elements of music, beginning with clefs, reading music, rhythms, scales & key recognition along with the main historical periods in music. *Music Theory & History Workbook: Standard of Excellence* will be utilized.



2008-2009 FEE SCHEDULE

Private Lessons

Rates for private lessons are based on a 17 week semester. Studios with less than 17 weeks of instruction will have their tuition pro-rated.

Private lessons (except drumset) (17 weeks of lessons)

30 minute lessons	\$538.05
45 minute lessons	\$796.58
60 minute lessons	\$1,076.10

Drumset (15 weeks of lessons)

30 minute lessons	\$527.78
45 minute lessons	\$791.67
60 minute lessons	\$1,055.55

Annual Registration Fee: \$40.00 per household. Times & days vary with each studio, and some studios offer **8-week trial lessons.**
Call the Registrar for more details.

Group Lessons

Some teachers will have a combination of 14-16 private and 1-3 group lessons throughout the semester. These sessions enhance the ideas begun in the private lesson and will include such areas as solo and duet performance, sight reading, written and aural theory, and discussion of specific musical ideas. Groups will be carefully formed according to age and level. Please note that missed group lessons cannot be made up.

For Schools

No Notes Left Behind

Thanks to a top-awarded grant for \$10,000 from the Wisconsin Arts Board, the Conservatory is able to offer, for the third year, the "No Notes Left Behind" project.

This helps fund the "faculty in the schools" project. Our faculty is available to help you meet the state standards and enhance your program. Call Paula Clark, the coordinator of "No Notes Left Behind" for more information at 715-845-6279 x105.

Save the Date

4th Annual Area Jazz Festival
January 17, 2008

Ensembles/Classes

Composition I and II (14 Weeks)	\$140.00
Guitar From Scratch (8 Weeks)	\$100.00
Music Theory & History (15 Weeks)	\$150.00
Wausau Area Flute Choir (8 Weeks)	\$122.45
Adult Voice Class (14 Weeks)	\$224.15
Home Schoolers Voice Class (14 Weeks)	\$224.15
Spotlights (Girls Voice Class) (14 Weeks)	\$223.18
Boys Will Be Boys (Voice Class) (14 Weeks)	\$223.18
Choraliers (26 Weeks)	\$262.73
Choralation (26 Weeks)	\$262.73
Jazz Ensemble (14 Weeks)	\$223.35
Wausau Area Youth Symphony (16 Weeks)	\$122.45
Suzuki Note Reading Class (15 Weeks)	\$158.25

Kindermusik Village®	\$241.50
Kindermusik Our Time®	\$241.50
Kindermusik Imagine That®	\$262.50
Kindermusik Young Child®	\$262.50

Kindermusik fees include home materials & instrument.

Faculty

PIANO

Ann Applegate, Mara Beckman,
Dr. Lily Chia Brissman, Tom Britanyak - Suzuki,
Bette Close, Mona Grote - Suzuki

VOICE

Wayne Anderson - (Antigo only), Tom Britanyak,
Scott Hunsberger, Karen Juliano,
Barbara Lattimer - (15 week session), Dr. George Tepping

STRINGS

Kirsten Hornby - string bass,
Ann Johnson - cello/Suzuki cello,
Patrick Langer - Suzuki violin/viola
Yuri Segawa - violin/viola

GUITAR, BANJO & HARMONICA

Thomas McComb

DRUMSET

Michael Kowaleski (15 week session)

WINDS

John Greiner - jazz & classical saxophone,
Terri Harter - flute, Lisa Phalen - clarinet,
Daniel Stewart - double reeds

PIPE ORGAN

Nancy Siebecker - (8 - One hour sessions)

BRASS

Kevin Short

ACCORDIAN

Tom Britanyak

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(subject to change)

AUGUST 2008

28-30 Fall lessons begin for
Thurs./Fri./Sat. students

SEPTEMBER 2008

2 Fall Semester Lessons begin for
Tues./Wed. students

8 First lesson for Monday students

21 **Faculty Gala Concert** - 7:00 PM
Gala Concert - showcase of faculty performances and recognition of volunteers

OCTOBER 2008

24 **UNA NOTTE BELLA** - 6:00 PM
27th Annual
Location: Jefferson Street Inn
Theme: **A Parisian Soirée**

30, 31, Nov 1 Teachers Convention -

No lessons or classes

NOVEMBER 2008

8 Saturday Morning Student Recital
- 11:00 AM

24 Regular Monday lessons
(Makeup day for Labor Day lessons)

25-26 General Makeup days for Fall Semester

27-30 WCM closed Thanksgiving Recess
No lessons or classes

DECEMBER 2008

1 Lessons resume

4 **A Conservatory Community Christmas Carol** - 5:30 PM -
Great Hall on the ArtsBlock in
owntown Wausau

13 Saturday Morning Student Recital
- 11:00 AM

22 Winter Recess begins
No lessons or classes

22-31 WCM Offices closed

JANUARY 2009

2 WCM Administrative offices
reopen

5 Lessons resume (week 16 of 1st
semester)

12 Financial aid application deadline
for 2nd semester

17 Community Arts Day - Open
House, tours, workshops and performances beginning at 11:00 AM

21 Financial Aid awards announced

23 Spring registration deadline

19-25 Make-up Week

25 Fall semester ends

*Check the Conservatory website for
up to date listing of concerts and
events.*

Music Registration information

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