

Lyman Memorial High School Music Department NEWSLETTER

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Concert Season!

It's officially concert time and the music department could not be more excited to show you all what we have been working on! There is a ton of information and updates below including concert information, a link to our Tri-M Induction Ceremony, The Little Mermaid updates, and more!

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The Lyman Memorial Music Instagram account is also a great way to stay updated on what's going on in the department!



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New York City Field Trip

The music and drama departments are going to New York City on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 to see the Broadway Musical Wicked! We will be taking 40 students to New York City and could not be more excited for this trip! The final payment will be due in April!

Class Updates

Band

Band is ready for the Winter Concert and will be performing three pieces of music: Epic Venture by Tyler Grant, Rick Stitzel's jazz arrangement of Yesterday by the Beatles, and an arrangement of the popular carol Silent Night titled All is Calm, All is Bright by Blair Bielawski. Madame Molly Lathrop, retired French teacher and Mr Zachary Johnson, a current math teacher, will also be playing with us! They have also started to think about Evening with the Arts!

Chorus

Chorus is also ready for the Winter Concert and will be performing three songs: Audrey Snyder's arrangement of Once Upon a December from Anastasia, Jack Zaino's arrangement of Billy Joel's hit Tell Her About It and Andy Beck's arrangement of Dream a Little Dream of Me. Madame Molly Lathrop will also be accompanying us on piano for Dream a Little Dream of Me! We have also been working on our sight reading skills by doing practices every day in class. They have also picked their combined piece for Evening with the Arts with the other schools and started to talk about possible Pops themes.

Music Technology

Students in Music Technology have completed 6 projects so far this semester learning all about garageband! They recently completed a story song project where they took a story of their choice and created a track to go along with it with music and sound effects. They just started a film scoring project this week where they will be picking a silent movie and creating all of the music and sound effects to go along with the movie. This project will also introduce them to the software iMovie!

Contemporary Ensemble

Contemporary Ensemble had an incredible performance at Homecoming of Our Song by Taylor Swift, Go Your Own Way by Fleetwood Mac and Exes and Oh's by Elle King. There are videos of each performance in our google classroom or I would be happy to send them to any of you if you haven't seen! They are now getting ready for the Winter Concert and will be performing three songs: Take It Easy by Eagles, a mashup of White Christmas and Blue Christmas, and No Surrender by Bruce Springsteen.

Band Members:

Vocals: Senior Abby Hundley and Junior Rowan LaFleur
Guitar: Teacher Mr Collins

Piano: Senior Genevieve Gardella
Bass guitar: Junior Trent Goins
Drums: Junior Holden LeMay

The Play That Goes Wrong

Congratulations to the whole cast and crew of *The Play That Goes Wrong*! They put on an incredible performance last month!

Charter Oak Music Festival

Congratulations to Geneveive Gardella, Hailey Litwin, Sadie Seagrave, Luke Spellman, and Ryan Spellman on an incredible concert at the Charter Oak Music Festival.



Tri-M Music Honor Society

Tri-M Music Honor Society inducted 3 new members and installed our chapter officers during our Induction Ceremony on Wednesday during PAWS. A video will be coming out soon of the ceremony and the students will also be recognized at the concert next week! Congratulations to Mack Booth, Genevieve Gardella, and Nora Rodgers on being inducted!

Congratulations to Alexis Zimnoch and Hannah Gonzalez

Senior Alexis Zimnoch and Junior Hannah Gonzalez have both been accepted into the Eastern Regional Music Festival that will be taking place at UConn in January. Alexis will be singing Soprano 2 with the Mixed Choir and Hannah will be singing soprano 2 with the Treble Choir. This has also made them eligible to audition for All-State in February! Congratulations to you both on this incredible accomplishment!

Winter Concert Information

- Thursday, December 14 at 7:00 pm
- Call time for choir will be 6:00 pm and for band 6:15 pm
- Dress is all black
- Tri-M Music Honor Society will be having a bake sale
- Set List:
 - Concert Band
 - Epic Venture by Tyler S Grant
 - Rick Stitzel's jazz arrangement of Yesterday by The Beatles
 - All is Calm, All is Bright - arrangement of Silent Night by Blair Bielawski
 - Contemporary Ensemble
 - Take It Easy by Eagles
 - Mashup of White Christmas by Irving Berlin and Blue Christmas by Elvis Presley
 - No Surrender by Bruce Springsteen
 - Concert Choir
 - Once Upon A December from Anastasia arranged by Audrey Snyder
 - Jack Zaino's arrangement of Tell Her About It by Billy Joel
 - Dream A Little Dream of Me with Debussy's Clair de Lune arranged by Andy Beck

Save the Date!



LYMAN MEMORIAL DRAMA COMPANY
PRESENTS:



SHOW DATES:

Friday, March 8 at 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 9 at 4:00 pm

Sunday, March 10 at 2:00 pm

Rehearsals have started for The Little Mermaid and we could not be more excited! Linked [here](#) is the drama website that has more information and I will be reaching out to families of the cast and crew soon!

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, ideas, anything! I am really looking forward to this year with the students and making music while we continue to grow the music department and perform!