TESSI Newsletter

March-April 2013

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Quick Calendar

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due **3/15** – Payment 8/11 \$10 late fee after 3/22

SPRING BREAK

March 11th -17th

Check with your individual teachers for scheduling plans for that week.

AIM EXAMS

Saturday, March 23rd Students' times TBA

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due **4/15** – Payment 9/11 \$10 late fee after 4/22

RECITAL

Sunday, April 21st

Carbondale Civic Center Room 108 - 1:00 pm Piano, Guitar and Voice

Violin Recital

Violins will perform the following weekend
- info TBA by Ken

GOLD CUP RECITAL

Sunday, May 5th
Old Baptist Foundation
Time TBA

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due **5/15** – Payment 10/11 \$10 late fee after 5/22

RECITAL

Sunday, June 2nd

Carbondale Civic Center Room 108 - time TBA

Almost Springtime!



After last year, it seems strange to have had this much Winter weather, but it is probably a good thing. Still, we're ready to see some flowers!

April Recitals

For the upcoming April 21st recital, we will be back at the Carbondale Civic Center. Recital start time is 1:00pm and the program will feature piano, voice and guitar.

Due to teacher Ken having a scheduling conflict, the violin students will perform the following weekend, with the time and location to be announced by teacher Ken.

Bowed-Psaltery / Pre-Violin class

Announcing a new class offered by teacher Ken! (See flyers for more info)

You will learn the Twinkle rhythms and the first several songs in Suzuki Violin Book 1, plus singing the words & pitch names in the key of C:. Bowed psaltery is a simple instrument that stands on its own, played with a bow, like violin, and may be considered "pre-violin."

This class will provide a head-start on bow issues - especially bow-hold, and playing "Suzuki Violin" songs and rhythms on a simpler but similar instrument. 9-Note psalteries are provided in class. It is best if you have a psaltery for practice at home, but not required. You will learn ways to practice these songs & concepts without using a psaltery – singing, clapping, bow-hold & rhythm exercises using dowel rod or pencil...

Dates: March 27 - May 29 (ten weeks)

Class time: 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays

Target group: 4-5 yr-olds **Class location:** TESSI

Cost: Psaltery Class, \$95 / New Student Fee, \$10

Instructor: Ken Wollberg

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Wiggles N' Tunes and KiddyKeys

New 8-week sessions starting in May



2-1/2 - 5 years



Open slots are available for preschoolers ages 8-months thru 4 years.

See Teacher Alvce

TESSI families:

We are offering a \$10 tuition credit for any/every student that enrolls in either program because of your referral.

Thanks for spreading the word!

Send Us Your News!!

If you have news to share, please send e-mail to <u>newsletter@tessimusic.org</u> with your submission, and we'll include it in the next issue.

(You can also deliver them to us in person.)

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Aim Exams

This year's **AIM** (Achievement in Music) exams will be given on Saturday, March 23rd. Good luck to eight of Alyce's piano students. Your individual exam times will be given to you by Alyce as soon as they are set.

Junior Festival

Everyone did a great job again at this year's Junior Festival! Some 30 TESSI students participated, with a handful earning a 1st or higher cup.

A small monetary award will be given to each student earning their 3rd or 4th cup this year! See the right column for TESSI cup recipients.

Heartland Christian Conference

Congratulations to these TESSI students who participated in this year's HCC musical events:

Jasmine Noble, Peter Aaflaq, and Andrew Aaflaq - who all received 1st place in their age categories and divisions.

Sophia Aaflaq - 4th place.

Welcome New Student !!

Ryan Cheng, Piano

Gold Cup Recital

The 2013 Festival Cup recitals will be held on Sunday, May 5th. Each year, students who are receiving a cup are invited to perform at the recital.

2013 was yet another good year for TESSI students, with 5 piano and 2 guitar students earning one or more cups at Junior Festival.

Please join us in congratulating the following students:

Nick Mechler Guitar Solo 1st Cup Samara Steinbock Guitar Solo 1st Cup Caitlin Sherwood Piano Duet 2nd Cup Radia Lahlou Piano Duet 2nd Cup Samara Steinbock Piano Solo 3rd Cup Jasmine Noble Piano Duet 3rd Cup Anthony Stoecker Piano Duet 3rd Cup Caitlin Sherwood Piano Solo 4th Cup

Time TBA for TESSI students playing on May 6th.

Suzuki Graduations

Book 2 - Jasmine Noble, Piano

Book 1 - Alex Baughman, Piano

Book 1 - Joshua Cheng, Piano