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## June 2011 Newsletter

We have two big events this June, both on June 18th. From 1:30-2:15, all Twinkle graduates are invited to perform in the beautiful new media room at the Stepping Stones Museum for Children. We will have a keyboard there for piano soloists as well! Please be sure to sign up in advance so the program can run smoothly. Students need to wear their TESS T-shirt, dark bottoms and nice shoes.



The second event is a chance to celebrate the end of the school year and welcome summer! We are hosting a Martinis and Munchies Rooftop party at Rick's Main Roofing, here in Norwalk, from 7:00pm-8:30pm (children ages 12+ and adults only!). Look for your invite in the mail. We are asking for a small donation of your choice at the door in support of our Student Scholarship Fund.

Keep Twinkling!  
Becki

### **May Graduations**

Congratulations to violinist Kovi Bodek, who graduated from violin book 3, and Nora Kliczewski, who graduated from violin book 1. Both students study with Ms. Becki. Ethan Chau and Analise Vega both graduated from piano book 1. Ethan studies with Mrs. Marija and Analise with Miss Claudia. Olivia Maffei graduated from violin book 2 and studies with Miss Jennifer Brown. Great job everyone!

### **Student Profile**



Christopher Jessup is 12 and goes to Middlesex Middle School in Darien. He studies piano with Miss Marija and violin with Mrs. Karolyn. He has played piano since he was 5, and violin since the age of 8. He has played violin in school orchestra since the 3rd grade and just won an audition to join the Stamford Youth Symphony. Christopher composes for piano and performs his own compositions at school variety shows and the Young Composers Competition in Darien, which has chosen him to perform his compositions for the last 3 years in a row. One of his performances was broadcast on channel 78. He uses music express himself. He says that if he has had a bad day at school, he feels better after composing something on the piano. He regularly attends professional orchestra concerts given by the Stamford Symphony. He has loved music since he was a baby. His mom would find him humming, not crying, in the crib. He is very passionate about music and loves all the arts. In addition to playing the piano and violin, he takes singing lessons, paints a lot, and acts and sings in plays. He just performed in his first play, Willy Wonka, at his school. This summer Christopher will perform Les Miserables with Curtain Call and The Music Man through the Darien High School summer theater program.

## Registrations

Registration for Summer and Fall for returning students have been in process for a while and space is getting tight! If you have not yet registered, please bring in your form the next time you are at the school. We do need to start admitting new students and would hate to give away the slot you wanted because we didn't know! If you have questions about registration, please contact Becki at [admin@musicattess.com](mailto:admin@musicattess.com) or 203.956.6708. Thanks!

## Tanglewood Picks, [www.bso.org](http://www.bso.org)

Every summer the Boston Symphony Orchestra packs its bags and heads west to the Berkshires for their summer season at Tanglewood Music Festival. While there are dozens of inspiring concerts all summer long, the easiest for our families and students to attend are the Sunday matinees. Bring a picnic, buy lawn tickets (the cheapest!) and enjoy the live music! The drive is 2-2 1/2 hours up rt. 7, and as much as we hate to say it, you are advised to sneak out during the last piece (or plan to hang for an hour after!) to avoid the crawl back to rt. 7. Here is a list of the concerts most relevant to musical study as a young student:

Sunday, July 10, 2:30pm\* - Scottish Fantasy by Bruch, Joshua Bell, violinist  
Saturday, July 16, 8:30pm\* - All Sibelius Program, Finlandia, Violin Concerto, Symphony No. 5  
Sunday, July 24, 2:30pm\* - All Ravel Program, Piano Concertos in G & D  
Saturday, July 30, 8:30pm\* - All Brahms Program, Piano Concerto No. 1 & Symphony No. 4  
Sunday, July 31, 2:30pm - Haydn Cello Concerto No. 1, Alisa Weilerstien, cello  
Saturday, August 6, 8:30pm - Mendelssohn Violin Concerto, Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 2, Sarah Chang, violin  
Sunday, August 7, 2:30pm - Mozart Piano Concerto No. 22, Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5, Emanuel Ax, piano  
Saturday, August 12, 8:30pm - Rodrigo, Boccherini/Berio, Falla, Granados, Pepe Romero, guitar  
Saturday, August 13, 8:30pm - Schumann Cello Concerto, Brahms Symphony No. 1, Yo-Yo Ma, cello  
Saturday, August 20, 2:30pm - Family Concert featuring returning artists Classical Tangent  
8:30pm - Film Night at Tanglewood, John Williams, conductor and Gil Shaham, violin  
Saturday, August 27, 8:30pm - All Beethoven Program, Symphony Nos. 1 & 5, Itzhak Perlman, conductor and violinist  
Labor Day Weekend - Wine & Food Classic, Jazz Festival  
*\*Indicates the Beckimobile is available for rides for students over 12!*

## Caramoor Picks, [www.caramoor.org/festival](http://www.caramoor.org/festival)

We are fortunate to be very close to one of the country's top music festivals - the Caramoor Music Festival in Katonah, NY. There are many more eclectic performances than those listed here - please visit the website for full viewing! Here are our picks:

Sunday, June 26, 4:30pm - NPR's *From the Top* with host Christopher O'Riley  
Thursday, June 30, 7:30pm - Beijing Guitar Duo, Guitar in the Garden  
Sunday, July 10, 4:30pm - Emerson String Quartet: The Final Quartets (Haydn, Bartok, Schubert)  
Saturday, July 16, 8:00pm - Orchestra of St. Luke's, Sarah Chang, violin, Bruch Violin Concerto, Beethoven Symphony No. 2  
Thursday, July 21, 7:30pm - Jason Vieaux, Guitar in the Garden  
Sunday, July 24, 4:30pm - Camerata Latina do Brasil, Classical Jam String Quartet  
Friday, July 29, 8:00pm - Alisa Weilerstein, cello and Gabriel Kahane, piano, voice, banjo, electric guitar, loops

## 2011 TESS Calendar

Sat. June 4	Advanced Recital, Unitarian Church, 3pm
Sat. June 11	Graduation Recitals
Sat. June 18	Stepping Stones Community Performance, 1:30pm-2:15pm Martinis and Munchies Rooftop Party, 7-9:30, Rick's Main Roofing, Norwalk
Sat. June 25	Last Day Winter Term
Mon. June 27	First Day Summer Term
Sat. July 2	OPEN
Mon. July 4	CLOSED
Tues. July 5	OPEN
Sat. July 9	Graduation Recitals
Sat. Aug. 6	SoNo Arts Celebration Performance, Children's Stage, 2:00pm
Sun. Aug. 7	SoNo Arts Celebration Performance, TBA
Sat. Aug. 13	Graduation Recitals
Sat. Aug. 20	Last Day Summer Term, Summer Term Recital
Aug. 22-26	Summer Recovery Camp, book 4+
Wed. Aug. 31	First Day Fall Term
Mon. Sept. 5	Labor Day, OPEN
Sat. Sept. 10	Oyster Festival Community Performance, v/c/g/f/p, 1:00pm
Tue. Sept. 13	First Tuesday Talent-Ed Kids Meet the Instruments, 16 weeks
Sat. Sept. 17	First Saturday Talent Ed Kids Meet the Instruments, 16 weeks
Sat. Oct. 8	Graduation Recitals
Mon. Oct. 10	Columbus Day, OPEN
Oct. 14 - Oct. 16	Mark O'Connor Teacher Training and Student Workshop Music for Youth Piano Concert and Free Masterclass
Sat. Oct. 29	Halloween Extravaganza Play-In Community Performance, v/c/f/g/p
Wed. Nov. 2	Parent Night, all levels, 8pm
Sat. Nov. 5	Advanced Master Class, Violin book 6+, Piano book 4+, Included in tuition
Sat./Sun Nov. 12/13	Student Recitals
Sat. Nov. 19	Graduation Recitals
Tues. Nov. 22	OPEN, no Meet the Instruments
Wed. Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Break, CLOSED
Mon. Nov. 28	OPEN
Sat. Dec. 10	Music for Youth Violin Concert and Free Masterclass
Sat. Dec. 17	Graduation Recitals
Mon. Dec. 19	Holiday Break, CLOSED
Sun. Dec. 25	Christmas Senior Center Concert Community Performance, v/c/f/g/p
Sat. Jan. 7	Music for Youth String Quartet Concert and Free Masterclass
Sat. Jan. 21	Graduation Recitals
Sat. Jan. 28	Improv Workshop, Last Day Fall Term
Mon. Jan. 30	First Day Winter Term
Sat. Feb. 18	Graduation Recitals Advanced Rehearsal, 2pm, Mandatory for March Concert Participation
Sat. March 3	Advanced Rehearsal, 2pm, Mandatory for March Concert Participation
Sat. March 10	March Celebration Concert