

Brēv, brev 1. (music) a note having the time value of two whole notes

#### 2. (gen) brief, short

### The Kettle Moraine Symphony Newsletter

## Welcome to our first Newsletter!

#### Read on to find out:

- What's going on in KMS
- How to get involved
- What to expect this season

Stay Juned!

### Classical Music Trivia

(See page 2 for answers)

The time period between Johann Sebastian Bach and Ludwig Van Beethoven is known

- a. Romantics
- b. Renaissance
- c. The Golden Age
- d. The New Age

This famous German composer lost his hearing. Who?

- a. Ludwig Van Beethoven
- b. Joseph Haydn
- c. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- d. Johannes Brahms

Which composition school did Joseph Haydn belong to?

- a. Second Viennese School
- b. First Viennese School
- c. Venetian School
- d. Mannheim School

The phrase "Three Bs", referring to the supreme composers, includes Bach, Beethoven and ...?

- a. Bertin
- b. Bellini
- c. Brahms
- d. Berlioz

What is the meaning of the Portuguese word "Barroco" (we know it as "Baroque")?

- a. Misshapen pearl
- b. Overly theatrical
- c. Golden curve
- d. Full splendor

### **Making Music Together**

KMS pairs with West Bend High School students for an unforgettable collaboration



Above: KMS musicians sit alongside high school mentees in their first rehearsal

Our February concert, Russian Romance, will feature not only the extreme and dramatic 5th symphony by Shostakovich but also the romantic *Serenade for Strings* by Tchaikovsky. The Tchaikovsky will include students from the West Bend High School Chamber Strings orchestra, a group of highly dedicated and hard working teens.

Director Rick Hynson says, "these dedicated musicians are together intergenerationally performance...not only are we making great music together, but we are working from an educational point of view as a community to make beautiful things happen."

"The music is very challenging...pushing our limits as students and as teachers. They are starting to see the big picture, and it's fun to see all the smiling faces and students and musicians working together," says WBHS Orchestra director. Seth Matuszak.

This season is our first featuring multiple student performances such as this side-by-side project. Our first concert, Play Me A Story, involved student performances before the concert by Silverbrook Intermediate School Orchestra, the Schauer Center Youth Orchestra, and the Chamber Strings who are performing the Tchaikovsky Serenade.

# Save the Date ... Upcoming events

RUSSIAN ROMANCE: Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Pre-Concert Talk at 2 p.m.

Symphony No. 5 by Dmitri Shostakovich and Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings with high school students!

Location: The brand new Performing Arts Center at Slinger High School, 209 Polk St., Slinger WI 53086

Calling all kids! KMS/Library "Family Fun Days"

Next event is April 2019 - Date TBA

Family Fun Days are held two mornings per year at the West Bend Community Memorial Library and are based on the current KMS music program or a holiday. All programs are great for kids and parents alike!

### JUBILATION! MOZART AND LAURIDSEN at Holy Hill with Symphony and Chorus

Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Experience sacred music the way it was meant to be heard, in the magnificent basilica of Holy Hill.

## Musicians for Hire!

Did you know that we have multiple chamber ensembles ready to go to perform at your next event? Whether you're looking to hire a string quartet for a wedding, a wind ensemble for a fundraiser, or a jazz combo...we have the group for you! Email info@kmsymphony.org to book!



### This is your Brain on Music



#### **Benefits of Music Lessons:**

- Academic: studies show that people who study music do better academically
- Physical: playing an instrument develops fine motor skills and coordination
- Social: when you're in a band, orchestra or choir, you're part of a team
- Patience and Perseverance: it requires years of study to master any musical skill; music lessons teach dedication and that hard work pays off
- Self Esteem: besides gaining skills they can feel awesome about, music lessons teach that nobody is perfect and mistakes are OK
- Cultural: music is often called the "universal language" because if its ability to cross over cultural and geographical barriers

#### **Benefits of Exposure to Music:**

- Cognitive: music can help students unlock and understand subjects and concepts that they would not otherwise be able to grasp.
- Interpersonal: people who are exposed to music, whether as musicians or as audience members, develop more empathy and communication skills.

Everyone deserves the benefits of music! Contact your school music teacher, local music store or the Kettle Moraine Symphony to find out more! Image credit: NAfME

# What Can I Do? Looking to get more involved in KMS?

- **Volunteer** to be an usher in our next concert or help organize a special event
- **Join** our Board of Directors or a Committee
- **Donate** your dollars go directly to our musicians and outreach projects!
- Tell your friends
- Advertise in our concert programs
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### Meet your Symphony!



Corynn Nordstrom, N.B.C.T., has 14 years experience teaching elementary general music. She earned a B.M. in clarinet performance and education, an M.M. Ed from the University of Michigan, and is Level 1 certified in Music Learning Theory and Kodaly. Corynn served as Michigan Music Educators Association treasurer, receiving the 2009 MMEA Hilda Humphreys Award for service to the profession early in her career. She is currently the early childhood chair for the Wisconsin Music Educators Association, writing for the Wisconsin School Musician. Corynn actively performs on clarinet, specializing in E-flat and bass, and woodwind doubling. Corynn teaches general music in Menomonee Falls where she lives with her husband and two daughters.



Kate Behring is a violinist with music education degrees from Valparaiso University (2001 BME) and Northwestern University (2005 MME). After beginning to play the violin in a public school program in Stamford, CT at the age of 8, Kate studied privately with Salvatore Princiotti, Kamen Vatchev, and Andrew Smith. After graduation from Valparaiso University. Kate taught traditional violin lessons and Beginning Orchestra in Northbrook, IL for six years. While working in Northbrook, Kate earned her Suzuki Certification in books 1-4 under the teacher training of Ed Kreitman. She also earned her Master's Degree in Music Education over four summers at Northwestern University. After getting married and moving to Wisconsin, Kate taught Suzuki violin with Kettle Moraine Suzuki Strings for six years.

Currently, Kate performs regularly with the Kettle Moraine Symphony and the Wisconsin Philharmonic. She is on staff at Elm Grove Lutheran School as a strings teacher and teaches private violin students at home. In addition, Kate teaches group classes with Barcel Suzuki String Academy. As a mom of three, Kate enjoys being a Suzuki mom for her two boys and chasing her youngest toddler girl.

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To provide outstanding orchestral performances that engage the community and inspire and educate audiences of all ages.

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