

Handsworth MUSIC NOTES



May 2011

UPCOMING FINALE CONCERTS – Plan to attend our final concerts of the year which include our annual Music Award Presentations:

JUNIOR NIGHT - **Tuesday, May 17, 2011**
Highlands United Church, 7:30 p.m.

featuring Junior Blue, Junior Gold & Intermediate Concert Bands, Junior & Intermediate Jazz Bands, and Toccati Strings

SENIOR NIGHT - **Wednesday, May 18, 2011**
Highlands United Church, 7:30 p.m.

featuring Senior Wind Ensemble, Senior Jazz Band, Chamber Strings, and Concerti Strings

Admission by Donation

STRINGS ICE CREAM CONCERT - June 2, 2011

All elementary and high school strings groups will play at this annual event to be held at Cleveland Dam Park, beginning at 7 p.m..

MPAC PARENT SOCIAL

Thank you to Janet Holley for organizing, and to those parents who came to the MPAC Parent Social on April 28th. Thankfully the Canucks won, and Prince William and Kate were finally united, even without our help.

Special thanks to Richard Anderson, Andrew Chang, Brittany So, Vivian Sue and Mr. Sab Kabok for providing such lovely music, Mr. Woodward for yet another late night, and Dr. David Overgaard for being there to meet our MPAC parents. Thanks also to Deb Burian, Kathleen Whyte and Loree Wilfert for sharing such delicious baking. We had a great slideshow of music students at various events and tours this year and in past years. The door prize at the Social was a Deluxe Mother's Day Gift Basket valued at \$200.00, generously provided by MPAC. Congratulations to Tracey Thompson who was the lucky winner! Enjoy your special day Tracey!

As you know, many of our key MPAC personnel have students in higher grades who will be graduating either this year or next. We're thrilled to say that we've had several new parents join MPAC already this spring, but we've still got a few roles that need an owner. Volunteering is rewarding, sets a great example for your student, and is essential to this fabulous music program. If you're looking for a way to support your student's music education, please make sure to see the MPAC Volunteer Opportunities Board at the Finale Concerts on May 17th and 18th. Thank you to all our fabulous Volunteers!

MPAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Tues. May 31st, 7:30 p.m.

We will be discussing and voting on the budget for next year, talking about some concert changes, dates and plans for 2011/12 plus the usual “who is doing what” list! We welcome all newcomers and all input!

UNIFORM COLLECTION

All uniforms for **all** music groups (including Strings this year) will be collected at the Finale concerts on May 17th and 18th. Please be sure to drop off your uniform at intermission or the end of the concert at the back of Highlands Church at the appropriate tables.

Thank you to Kathleen and Janet for their great job with uniform coordination this year, as well as Krista and Teresa for volunteering to help with uniform collection. Thanks also to Krista and Maria for volunteering to assist with uniforms for next year.

MUSIC AWARDS 2010-11

We will be announcing the winners for the subject awards at the Finale Concerts. **ALL students are nominees.**

Criteria for subject awards: “Demonstration of Awareness” in the following:

- Strong musicianship or exceptional progress
- Kind and helpful
- Responsible and reliable

Subject Awards will be presented for the following:

Jr. Blue Concert Band
Jr. Gold Concert Band
Int. Concert Band
Sr. Wind Ensemble
Jr. Jazz Band
Int. Jazz Band
Sr. Jazz Band
Most Outstanding Band Musician (Junior)
Most Outstanding Band Musician (Senior)
Len Henricksson Music Award
Toccati Strings
Concerti Strings
Chamber Strings
Outstanding Strings Musician (Junior)
Outstanding Strings Musician (Senior)

GRADUATING GRADE 12 MUSIC STUDENTS

These students will be honoured at the Senior Finale concert and will be presented with one or more of the following awards:

- **5 Year Pin** - Student has been a member of a Handsworth school band or strings for 5 consecutive years.
- **8 or 9 Year Certificate** - Student started strings or band in Grade 4 or 5 and has completed 8 or 9 consecutive years in the Handsworth music program.
- **Grade 12 Appreciation Certificate** - Student has completed Grade 12 and one or more years of band or strings at Handsworth Secondary School.

BAND STUDENTS

Sang Kyu An - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Elizabeth Booker - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Thais Braga - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Trenton Galozo - 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Warren Holley - 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Sang Kweon Ju - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Jae Yong Lee - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Jiyeon Lee - 5 year pin & Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Doug Lai - 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Edwin Lai - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Trevor Martin - 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Jon Tucker - Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Jennifer Whyte - 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Hye Soo Yoo - 5 year pin & Grade 12 Appreciation Award
Min Young Yoo - Grade 12 Appreciation Award

STRINGS STUDENTS

5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone to:

Richard Anderson
Julianna French
Alex Graham
Max Lai
Jamie Lee
Gabriella Penkov
Hayden Sidey-Phillips
Duncan Stratton
Vivian Sue
Adriano DeTorres
YoungJin Lee
Adam Marko

5 year pin to:

HoJung Lee
Sarah Kim
Nick Lai

Congratulations Class of 2011!

SUPER STUDENTS

What are “Super Students?” They are students that take pride in Academic, Leadership, Music, and Sport activities. Ever since the “Stanford University Interview,” universities have been finding ways to separate the all-round super students from the smart-only students. Now, virtually all top universities use the interview as one way to help separate the best from the best.

Universities recognized that top academic marks were only a small part of an indicator of success at university, and for that matter, life. What they found was that students who took part in three other activities were much more likely to have success at university, and in life. They determined that those three other activities include: band or choir, student leadership, and varsity sports.

Some world countries have students specialize in a type of activity at an early age. Eastern Europe, Cuba, and much of Asia does this. On the Handsworth band tour to Cuba in 2000, our tour guide could not understand how so many of our band students could take part in sports, leadership and music — all at the same time, year after year until graduation. In Cuba, you audition for an Academic, Athletic, or Arts School at around the age of 10 years.

THANKS TO BAND EXECUTIVE 2010-11

Jr. Blue: Caroline Bardua, Trevor Thon, Lily Tremblay, Antonio Verdicchio
Jr. Gold: Nicholas Burian, Graeme Gerlach, Nicole Johnston, Elise Tigges
Int. Band: Andy Choi, Aadishri Phillips, Sean Ihn, Peter Peng
Sr. Winds: Min Young Yoo, Carly Johnston, George Hill, Josh Engstrom
Jr. Jazz: Trevor Thon, Brian Lee
Int. Jazz: Helena Son, Peter Delchev, Sean Ihn, Aadishri Philips
Sr. Jazz: George Hill

STUDENT KUDOS

Congratulations to the following students who auditioned for positions in the BC Music Educators Association (Provincial) Honour Wind Ensemble for October 2011: Youri Choi — flute, Yunah Ko — flute, Yeon Joo Son — flute & piccolo, George Hill — Fr. Horn, Iksu Song — trombone, Diane Kim — percussion, Jessica Lee — Percussion

Congratulations to Iksu Song and Lauren Cheng for their acceptance to the Vancouver International Jazz Festival “Jazz Intensive Big Band” as musicians in residence. They will be rehearsing daily from June 27th - July 3rd. Final performance at the Jazz Festival will be at noon on July 3rd at the Roundhouse Theatre in Yaletown.

CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

After looking at the Handsworth Music Performance Calendar, you may see that there are a lot of performances and music tours. In fact, the extracurricular jazz combos and chamber ensembles do twice as many performances as the larger curricular classes, and these are not included in the Calendar. The Chamber Ensembles performed at another 10 gigs this past year.

The Handsworth Saxophone Quartet and the Strings Quartet represented Handsworth at these civic, private, charity, and corporate events this year.

Saxophone Quartet: Andrew Burian — alto sax, Jiyeon Lee — alto sax, Lauren Cheng —tenor sax, and Jennifer Whyte — baritone sax.

Strings Quartet: Ben Tucker — violin, Seve Patrick — violin, Graham Whyte — viola, Ryan Wise — cello.

The Senior Jazz Combo and Junior Jazz Combo will also be performing in the lobby of Highlands United during the Finale Concerts.

QSP MAGAZINE FUNDRAISER

The magazine fundraising campaign is returning Fall 2011!! Please ignore those renewal notices from the publishers and support your child's education by ordering/renewing your subscriptions through MPAC. The QSP event will begin in September 2011 and profits from each sale will go to your child's account. The catalogues will be distributed in the Fall through your son or daughter's music class so watch for them and get your orders in. Students are eligible for prizes with all online sales. Remember, if you ever have a question regarding your QSP subscriptions, you can always call customer service at 1-800-667-2536.

BOTTLE DRIVE - THANKS!

Thank you to all who supported the Bottle Drive on Saturday, April 16th - \$3400 was raised! A big thanks to all parents and students who helped out. Kudos to Deb Burian and Sarah Norbury for doing such a terrific job organizing the drive; and to Cheers Restaurant for donating the delicious lunch.
