



MUSIC @ UHS





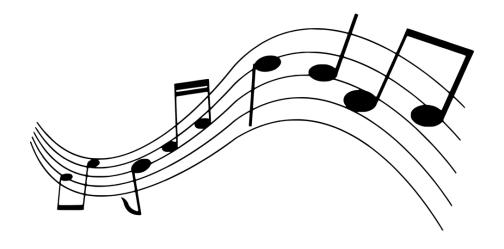


Agenda

- Introductions
- . Why UHS?
- Arts Unionville Program and selection process

Established in 1986

ARTS UNIONVILLE



Why is Unionville High School Unique?

Atmosphere & Opportunity

Atmosphere

- Built on High Standards & Tradition of Excellence
- Safe, welcoming and inclusive community
- Academic excellence
- Creativity & Leadership

Paradigm shift toward STEM

- As our community sees an increase in the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics this increases the importance of the arts.
- The arts (and specifically music) is the tool that can connect, develop and apply all of the concepts and skills required in an increasingly "academic" world.

Academic Excellence

Unionville High School has a long-standing tradition of leading academic excellence in all subjects. Including:

- OSSLT
- EQAO Math
- Fraser Report
- UHS STEM Program

"In an ever-changing world, studying music offers a powerful combination of <u>foundational community collaboration</u> and <u>forward looking technological</u> <u>innovation</u>."

Arts Unionville Musicians...

- Become well-rounded, generous, outward looking, creative, empathetic, passionate, collaborative, successful citizens.
- Are leaders in the school and beyond both academically and socially.

- Arts Unionville students develop skills including organization, responsibility, teamwork, leadership, perseverance, self confidence, creativity.
- Many graduates pursue degrees in pre-med, engineering, sciences and business.



ARTS UNIONVILLE MUSIC

Currently 118 students

(Maximum 34 students/year = 136 students)

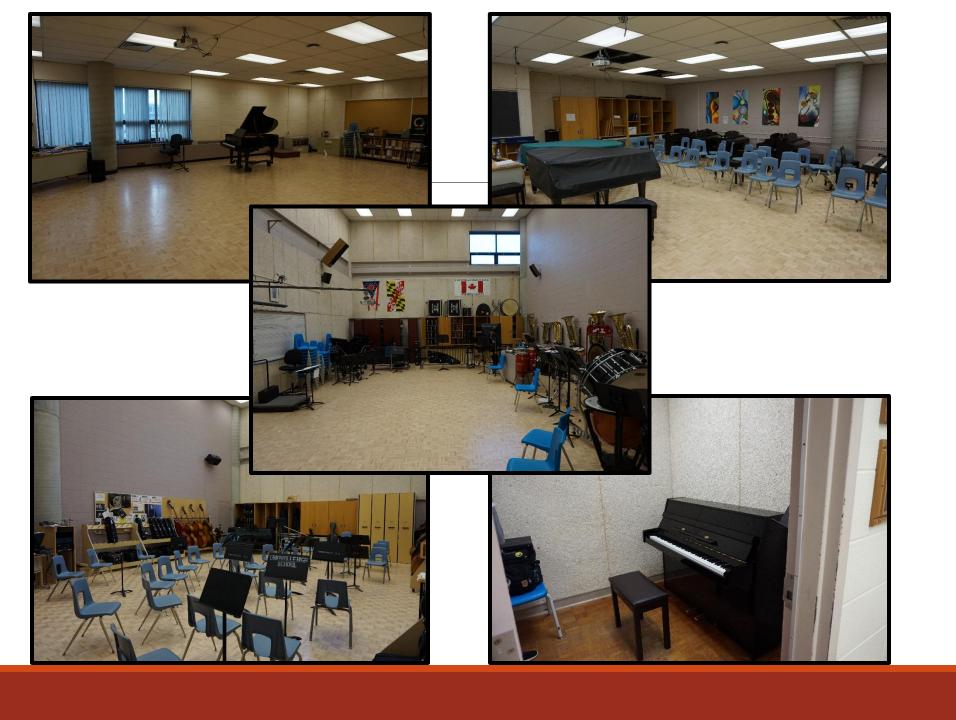
<u>MAINSTREAM MUSIC</u> <u>PROGRAM</u>

Over 400 students

Unionville High School is one of few high schools in the province that features an effective specialized intensive program with a mainstream high school music program. Students from both programs form our large ensembles.

FACILITIES

- -4 large music rooms
- 5 practice rooms each with 1 or 2 pianos
- •5 grand pianos (one for atrium concerts)
- Full concert percussion



PERFORMING ENSEMBLES

- Grade 9 Concert Band
- Grade 10 Symphonic Band
- Wind Ensemble
- Chamber Winds
- Concert Choir
- Chamber Choir
- Arts Unionville String Orchestra
- UHS Symphony Orchestra
- Jazz Ensembles (choirs and bands)
- Guitar Ensemble
- •SHOWTIME Musical Theatre
- Countless Chamber Ensembles

Large ensemble rehearsals take place after school from 3:20 to 5:30PM

ALL
MUSICIANS
PARTICIPATE IN
A LARGE ENSEMBLE

TRAVEL

- We are regularly invited to perform at other festivals around the world
- ■2008 Canadian Salute to the Beijing Olympic Summer Games in a 10 day trip to Beijing and Shanghai, China
- ■2011 performance tour of Italy including Rome on Easter Sunday.
- •MusicFest Nationals in Richmond/Vancouver, BC in May 2014
- ■2016 Tour to Vienna, Salzburg and Prague
- ■2019 Tour to Germany

Mission:

The Unionville High School Music department is committed to the pursuit of excellence in the delivery of a performance/experiential based program that continues to play an important role in the school and community.

Pursuing a career in music is not an expectation, but interested students will gain the knowledge, experience and confidence to successfully pursue music in post secondary studies.

Post Secondary Studies in Music

- Many Arts Unionville Music graduates go on to music degrees in the major music schools across Canada and the USA
- 100% acceptance due to experience, audition preparation and high academic standing

EXTRA-CURRICULARS

 Students are encouraged to participate in sports, activities and clubs in addition to their music



Basically speaking.....

Arts Unionville Music provides a welcoming, intensive environment for talented young musicians to gain valuable musical knowledge and experience with students that have similar interests.



PROGRAM SPECIFICS:

ARTS UNIONVILLE MUSIC

- Class of **2029**
 - •WINDS/PERCUSSION band instruments
 - Percussion majors need to demonstrate experience on snare drum and mallet instruments
 - VOCAL
 - STRINGS violin, viola, cello, bass
 - PIANO

Total number of Grade 9 students cannot exceed 34

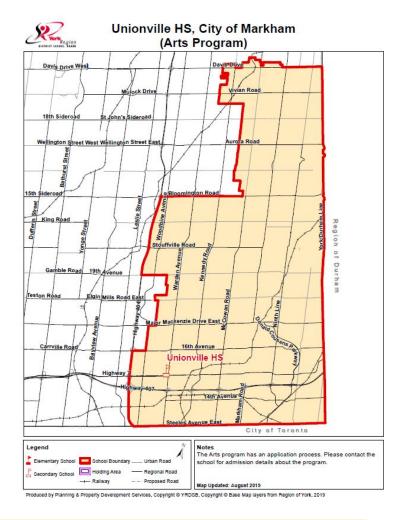
Play another instrument? Let's talk.

FEES

- Arts Unionville students pay a \$150 fee per year to be utilized for program enhancements including guest artists, field trips and capital expenditures.
- Recent Guest artists include Erika Raum, Jamie Parker, James Campbell, Tracy Michailidis, Jacqueline Teh, Anya Alexeyev, EKR Hammell, Angela Park, The Butter Quartet...

ARTS UNIONVILLE

- VOICE &
 WINDS/PERCUSSION –
 Markham, Stouffville south
 of Davis Drive
- STRINGS Arts Unionville and Arts Huron boundaries
- PIANO from across York
 Region



- Transportation to and from UHS is not provided.
- Parents are encouraged to double check boundary restrictions at www.yrdsb.ca

Arts Unionville Music Courses

2 Arts Unionville Music credits a year in Grades 9 - 12 = 8 Credits

Students are encouraged to take core music courses as well

<u>PERFORMANCE</u>

Development of individual technique to be applied to solo, small and large ensemble performance opportunities throughout the year

MUSICIANSHIP

History

Theory

Listening

Dictation

Application Process

unionville.hs.yrdsb.ca

- There are no minimum requirements for admission to Arts Unionville.
- Private lessons are not a requirement for enrolment in Arts Unionville.
- Students may apply to 2 disciplines (\$20 fee per application). If accepted to both, they must pick one at their AU Major.

DATES

- Applications open November 11 to December 4, 2024 via Edsby
 - Please note that the Edsby application must be completed in one sitting.
 - The applicants OEN number is required and can be found on their report card
- Email communication from UHS after applications close
- Workshop at UHS January 22 28, 2025
- E-portfolio process (for those that do not come to the workshop at UHS) due early January, 2025
- Results email end of January, 2025 please be prepared to reply within 24 hours
- AU enrollment to be confirmed at the beginning of February, 2025

WORKSHOPS @ UHS

- January 22 28, 2025
- Group warm up and ensemble time Warm up, tune, in our music rooms with our teachers
- Individual Performance and Discussion 15 to 20 minutes to play the music you have prepared and to talk about Music.
 WHAT ROLE DOES MUSIC PLAY IN YOUR LIFE

E-PORTFOLIO

- If an applicant is not able to make the workshop time at UHS,
 please contact us so we can make alternate arrangements
- An E-portfolio is an option if necessary. Applicants will submit videos of their performance requirements and we will arrange for a virtual meeting time to discuss the role of music in your life

Discipline Requirements

- Specific requirements will be sent to applicants the week of December 16, 2024
- WINDS/PERCUSSION
- STRINGS
- VOICE
- PIANO

DISCUSSION?

Opportunity to have a relaxed chat about the student's musical interests, passion, experiences and goals.

Ask questions about the program



What role does music play in your life?

Deadline

Applications must be received by <u>DECEMBER 4, 2024</u> and further audition information will be sent to each applicant soon after.

QUESTIONS



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