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ARTS
UNION
VILLE

MUSIC @ UHS



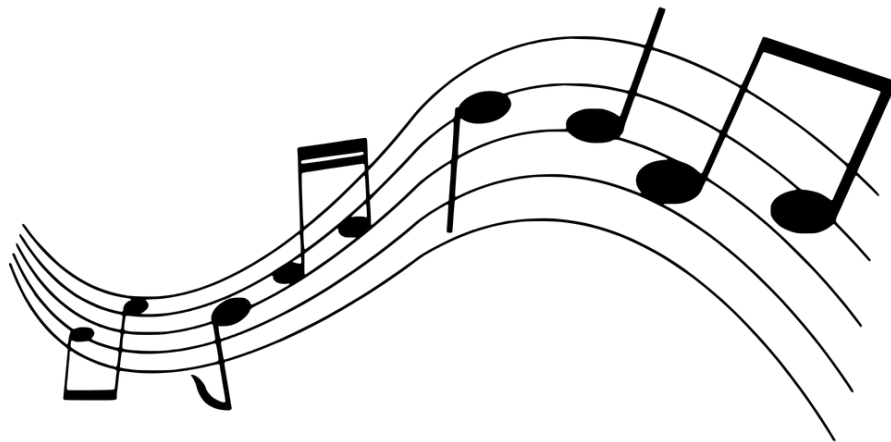


Agenda

- . 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
- 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 foundational community collaboration and forward looking technological innovation.”

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.

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- 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 120 students

(Maximum 34 students/year = 136 students)

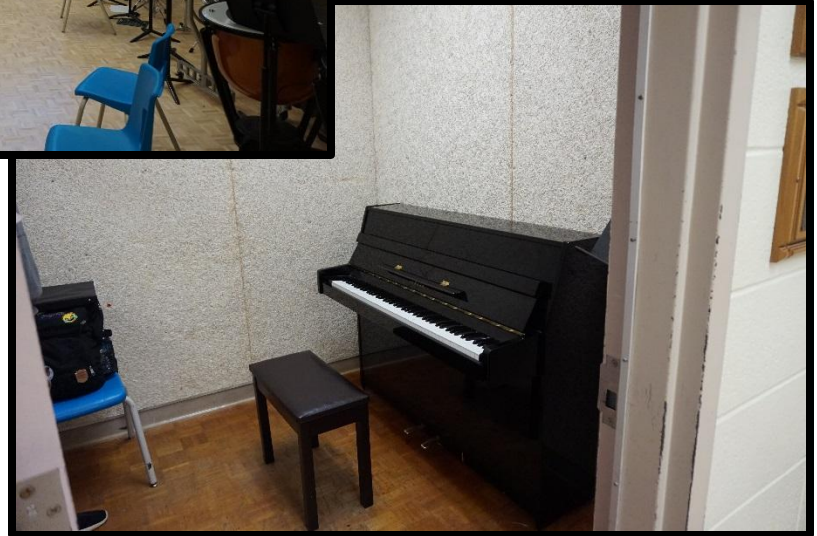
MAINSTREAM MUSIC PROGRAM

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 a piano
- 4 grand pianos
- Full concert percussion



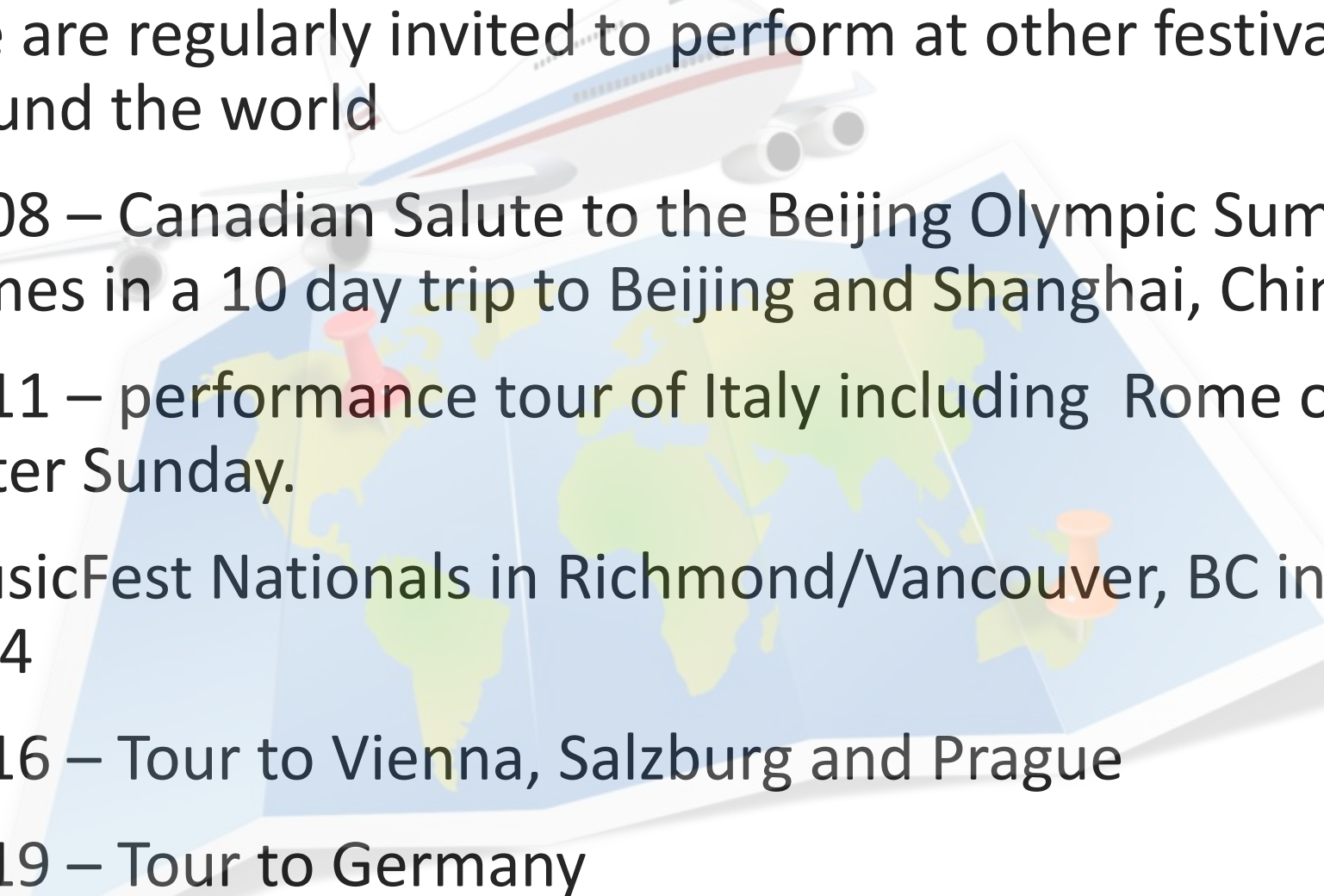
PERFORMING ENSEMBLES

- 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)
- *SHOWTIME* – Musical Theatre – (Pippin, January 2024)
- 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
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- A background graphic featuring a stylized world map with green continents and blue oceans. Three pushpins are placed on the map: a red one in North America, a pink one in Europe, and an orange one in Asia. Above the map, a white commercial airplane with blue and red stripes is shown in flight.

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 2028

- 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? Lets talk.

FEES

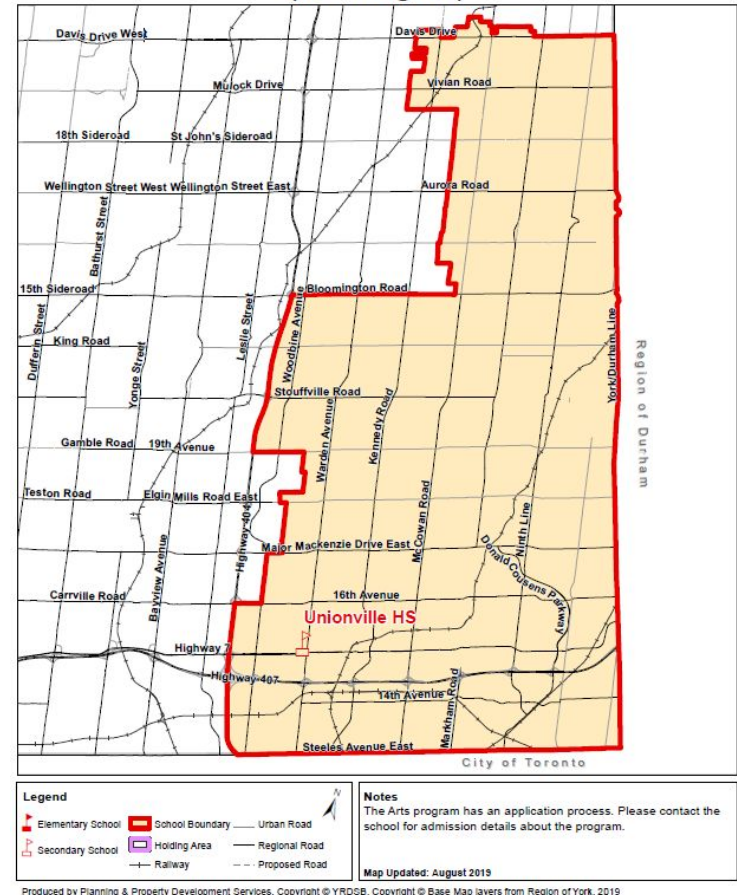
- Arts Unionville students pay a \$150 fee per year to be utilized for program enhancements including guest artists, field trips and capital expenditures.
- Recent Guest artists include – Erika Raum, Jamie Parker, James Campbell, Tracy Michailidis, Jacqueline Teh, EKR Hammell ...

ARTS UNIONVILLE

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



Unionville HS, City of Markham (Arts Program)



- 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

PERFORMANCE

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 10 to December 1, 2023 via Edsby
- Email communication from UHS after applications close
- Workshop at UHS – January 25 – 31, 2024
- E-portfolio process (for those that do not come to the workshop at UHS) – due Jan. 12, 2024
- Results email – end of January, 2023 – please be prepared to reply within 24 hours
- AU enrollment to be confirmed by February 2, 2024

WORKSHOPS @ UHS

- January 25 – 31, 2024
- 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 12, 2023
- 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 DECEMBER 1, 2023 and further audition information will be sent to each applicant soon after.

QUESTIONS



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