# MUSIC NOTES

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Spring 2013



Members of the UHS Symphony Orchestra with Mr. Beckwith conducting and AU Winds/Percussion class rehearse in the atrium at UHS. This is a common occurrence every spring

> garding our festival appearances in February, March and May.

ville students and parents!

All classes have been discussing the power and role of music in our society and explored everything from music and the brain to music advocacy. Throughout this edition of *Music Notes* are popular quota-

"Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and cannot remain silent."

Victor Hugo

tions used to advocate for music in our schools and lives in general. The result of their research is worth celebrating. Scientific research supports the fact that music plays a vital role in everything

from brain development, literacy, education and therapy.

Please find more information about the many opportunities at UHS Music inside. As always, thanks for your continued support. Enjoy the shows and thanks for a great year!

#### UHS Music

elcome to Spring Celebration 2013. While these are not our last scheduled performances of the year, May 13 and 14 represent our final full concerts and feature over 350 music students in our large and small ensembles. Our first performance this year was in the fall and the final one will be at the Arts Unionville Celebration on June 13. By then we will have participated in dozens of full concerts, solo recitals, festivals, competitions

As outlined in Music Notes in September 2012, the Music Department has changed our recording policies for all of our performances. To honour the YRDSB's privacy policies and copyright laws, we request that there be no unauthorized filming of our performances in any venue. We make sure that we have an archival copy (audio and/or video) of our performances to use in the classroom. Thanks for your understanding.

workshops and clinics.

We welcome our incoming grade 9 students. Many new Arts Unionville students and their families are here to experience first-hand what a concert at UHS is like before they start in September. You are embarking on a remarkable four years. Thanks for being here.

Inside this issue of *Music Notes* you will find information about what our classes and ensembles have

been up to this year as well as dates for important year-end events. We have had another successful performance season at various festivals and competitions. Several guest artists have come to work with

our students including mezzo soprano Claudia Lemke, baritone Benjamin Covey, composer Stephen Bulla and choral conductor Brainerd Blyden-Taylor. The AU string class visited the TSO for an open rehearsal in March and several students took advantage of the opportunity to see The Jazz at Lincoln Orchestra as well as the Ladysmith Black Mambazo choir from Africa. It's been a great year. Also in this issue are details reto be put to be put ind can-

#### SPRING CELEBRATION 2013 - Monday May 13, 2013-7:30PM

#### Grade 9 Concert Band - directed by Mr. Wrigglesworth

British Isles Suite	L. Daehn
I. Marching Song	
II. Barbara Allen	
III. Farewell, Dundee	
Introduction and March	G. Whaley
Percussion Ensemble - directed by Mr. Leonard	
Sounds of Exuberance	D. Court

#### Jason Young, piano

Sonata in C minor op.13 no.8 "Pathetique", Allegro di molto e con brio .....L.v. Beethoven

#### Period 3 Strings Class - directed by Mr. Beckwith

Village Polka	Czech folk dance/arr. by E.B. Jurey
Wiegenlied	F. Schubert/arr. E.B. Jurev
Music from <i>Titanic</i>	

#### Arts Unionville Saxophone Ensemble

Ballad and Cap	rice for Claire .	L.	Niehaus
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#### Symphonic Band - Mr. Wrigglesworth

Ammerland	J. De. Haan
Three Chinese Miniatures	R. Jager
I. The Wind	8
II. Sen Jin De Ma (A maiden)	
III. A Love Story of Kang Ting City	

#### Intermission

#### Thursday AM Jazz Choir-directed by Ms. Fabbro

True Colours	arr. T. Janssen
Acapella in Acapulco	A. Edenroth
A Nightingale Sang in Berkley Square	
Birdland	adapted by P. Mattson

#### Period 4 Strings Class - directed by Mr. Beckwith

Concerto in D Major (from Clavier Concerto #3)	J.S. Bach/arr. M.J. Isaac
In Old Vienna	arr. E.B. Jurey
Allegretto Giocoso	J. Haydn
Can you feel the love tonight from The Lion King	

#### Chamber Choir - directed by Ms. Fabbro, Fiona Chan, piano

L'Innamorata	G. Gastoldi/arr. by J.B. Stone
Feller From Fortune	Arr. Harry Somers
The Seal Lullaby	Eric Whitacre

#### Wind Ensemble - directed by Mr. Wrigglesworth

Ivercargill	A.F. Lithgow
Concertino for Solo Percussion and Band, I - Allegro Scherzando	
Charis Choi - percussion	
Cloudburst	E. Whitacre
Shepherd's Hey	P. Grainger

#### SPRING CELEBRATION 2013 - Tuesday May 14, 2013—7:30PM

#### Tuesday AM Jazz Choir - directed by Ms. Fabbro

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Smilear	rr. S. Zegree
Route 66ari	r. D. Averre
True Coloursarr.	T Janssen
Blue Skiesarr.	
	<b>10.</b> Emerson
Synergy Show Choir - directed by Ms. Angus and Ms. LaForce	
Grade 12 Mash Up, by Julia Gartha: <i>If I were a boy</i> (James Brown), <i>Ain't no sunshine</i> (Bill With and The Chain (Fleetwood Mac)	ners)
Amy Forsyth, Amanda Wilson, Jaclyn Siou, Julia Gartha	
The way you make me feelMich	ael Jackson
full ensemble	
Charissa Vandikas - piano	
Sonatine, movement de Menuet.	M. Ravel
Period 3 Vocal Class - directed by Ms. Angus; Joseph Diao, piano	
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Hine ma tov	A.E. Naplan . B. Chilcott M. Wilson . Ed Lojeski r. S. Calvert A. Bruckner . M. Brewer

#### Intermission

<b>UHS Chamber Winds</b> - directed by Mr. Wrigglesworth	
English Folk Song Suite, I. March—Seventeen Come SundayR. Vaughan Williams	3
Lux ArumqueE. Whitacre	
William Byrd Suite, I - The Earl of Oxford's MarchTrans. G. Jacob	
Chamber Choir - directed by Ms. Fabbro; Fiona Chan, piano	
L'Innamorata	ڊ
Feller From Fortune	
The Seal Lullaby Eric Whitacre	
Arts York String Orchestra - directed by Mr. Beckwith	
Brook Green Suite	5
I. Prelude	
II. Air	
III. Dance	
It might as well be springR. Rodgers/arr. B. Chase	Э
<b>UHS Symphony Orchestra</b> - directed by Mr. Beckwith	
Piano Concerto in D majorR. Marchand	ł
Remi Marchand, piano	
Symphony #5 in D minor	ı
II. Allegro vivace	
Yellow River Concerto I - Defend the Yellow Rivervarious Marcus Chiam, piano	3

## WE HAVE NEW PERFORMANCE UNIFORMS FOR OUR SENIOR ENSEMBLES!

They're here! After years of planning, funding and measuring, our new performance uniforms have finally arrived. We believe that a professional looking ensemble is an important part of the performance experience. Therefore, we have been working to expand the use of the gowns and tuxedos that the Wind Ensemble has been wearing for several years. Now all members of the Arts York Strings and Chamber Choir will also perform formal attire. Use of the uniforms is free for members of these ensembles aside from cleaning costs at the end of each year.

We must acknowledge the time, energy and funding of years of UHS administrators, parents council members, former Arts York Advisory Council members and Martha Whitehead in the main office for their assistance in this daunting task.

UHS Musicians Perform with Provincial and National Ensembles	"A grounding in
	help your child

Congratulations to many of our singers for auditioning for the 2013 Ontario Youth Choir and to Emily Villanueva and Jackson Welchner for being accepted to participate. Dilshan Anandarajan has been named as an alternate as well.

Charis Choi will be joining the Dennis Wick Canadian Wind Band at the MusicFest Nationals in Toronto from May 13 to 18.

Good luck to the many students that are auditioning for the 2013 Ontario Provincial Honour Band. Recorded auditions are due May 24.

Thanks for representing UHS Music so well on the provincial and national stage. We look forward to seeing our students perform in these prestigious ensembles this year.

"A grounding in the arts will help your children to see; to bring a uniquely human perspective to science and technology, in short, it will help them as they grow smarter to also grow wiser"

Robert Allan, Chairman and CEO, AT&T



Presents

Gilbert and Sullivan's TRIAL BY JURY And Vivaldi's FOUR SEASONS

Featuring the Arts York Strings and UHS Concert Choir

at

## Apple Creek Church

(corner of Apple Creek Rd. and Town Centre Blvd.)

## Tuesday May 28, 2013 - 7:00PM

### ADMISSION IS FREE

"Arts are an essential element of education, just like reading, writing and arithmetic."

William Bennet, former US Secretary of Education

#### Music Events

- May 10, 2013 UHS hosts the Music Alive Festival for the piano duo/duet class.
- May 13 & 14, 2013 Spring Celebration 2013 at Markham Theatre
- May 27, 2013 Celebration Youth Music Festival @ UHS
- May 28, 2013 Arts York String Orchestra and Concert Choir performance at Apple Creek Church. Free admission—7:30pm.
- May 28&29, 2013 UHS Music recording sessions at Markham Theatre
- May 29, 2013 Art Show & Jazz Café @ UHS
- May 30, 2013 Music Awards Banquet at LeParc Banquet Hall, 5:30—10:30pm
- June 13, 2013 Arts Unionville Celebration @ UHS
- June 25, 2013 UHS Graduation

#### Visual Arts Display in

Flato Markham Theatre

udience members for Spring Celebration 2013 will not only be treated to our musical performances on stage, but also to original pieces by the Visual Arts Department.

The annual show by the Arts Unionville Visual Arts students coincides with Spring Celebration. Please take the time to see the outstanding work of these talented artists.

If you like what you see, be sure to come to the Art Show and Jazz Café at UHS on May 29, 2013 where more of their works will be on display.

ur ensembles have continued our high performance standards by achieving many festivals' highest certificates. All four UHS bands achieved a gold certificate from the Ontario Band Association Concert Band Festival. In addition, they were awarded a combination of 7 additional performance awards including: two percussion excellence, two woodwind excellence a brass excellence award and an all around outstanding performance award for the Grade Nine Concert Band. The Arts York Strings and UHS Symphony Orchestra competed in the Toronto Kiwanis Music Festival while receiving gold certificates in all classes. The UHS Symphony Orchestra was invited to represent the Toronto Kiwanis Festival in the Ontario Music Festival Association and completed the required recording on May 9 at Markham Theatre. On May 10, the Arts Unionville piano class participated in our local Music Alive Festival performing their piano duets and duos. Congratulations to all performers.

"If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think I see my life in terms of music."

Albert Einstein

All UHS Music students are invited to attend the annual

## Music Awards Banquet.

May 30, 2013

At

#### Le Parc Conference and Banquet Centre-5:30 - 10:30p.m.

Student nominations are now being accepted. Performance awards for each ensemble and overall department awards will be given to recognize outstanding achievement this year. Tickets are \$35 and include a full meal, the awards banquet and dance.



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UHS ART SHOW AND

JAZZ CAFÉ

MAY 29, 2013 6:30-9:30p.m.

AT

UNIONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Featuring Arts Unionville Visual Art students displaying their work and student jazz performances in the atrium. "Music gives sound to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." Plato

"Without music, life would be a mistake." Friedrich Nietzsche

e will be acknowledging our music graduates at various functions throughout the spring including concerts/recitals, the Music Awards Banquet and graduation ceremonies. However, it is important that we formally congratulate our graduates in "Music Notes" as well.

A Music program is only as strong as the students that take part throughout their high school career. Our senior students have been the leaders in our performing ensembles for years. A busy performance program such as UHS Music depends a great deal on grade 12 students to lead by example while being positive role models for the younger musicians. This is especially difficult considering academic requirements and preparation for future studies, while taking part in a busy, time consuming department such as ours.

The staff and students of the Unionville High School Music Department applaud the dedication and commitment of UHS Music Graduates 2013.

## **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES**

**Caitlyn** Allington Sam Boden Fiona Chan Niel Chan Rex Chen Vivian Cheng Eva Cheung Marcus Chiam Charis Choi Zoe Davidson Belinda Ding Kelly Guo Veronica He Luis Hu Christine Hui Sean Kim Ange Lam

Jonathan Lam Jacqueline Lee Stephen Li Jordana Liu Loise Liu Cindy Ma **Rosalind Mak** Joanna Man Remi Marchand Brendan Moratz Laila Nazir Jared Newton Daniel Reddi Jaclyn Siou Brandon Sunga Yannie Tse **David Wallis** 

Ruby Xia Kyle Wang Richard Walters Elston Wong Tiffany Wong Shirley Yang Andy Yip Amy Yu Jennifer Zhang Silvia Zhang Jin

Good luck in your future endeavours! STAY IN TOUCH!

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