

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

MEA Solo & Ensemble contest. We are so proud of our students for their hard-earned

accomplishments at Solo & Ensemble!





Ryan B.



Nick H.

Abigail D.

Destiny A. Shanley A.

Angelina A.

Welcome 82

New Students!

Sara A.

Victoria A.

Oliver B.

Corrine B.

Molly B. Camdyn B.

Virginia C.

Dominic D.

Boden K.

Trevor K. Chloe L.

Kennedy L.

Elijah L.

Josiah L.

Grant M.

Sierra M. Michael M.

Jack M.

Maverick M.

Chism O.

Isabella N.

Amelia P.

Annamaria O.

Caleb R. Tim R.

Marissa S.

Ashley S.

Shane S.

Claire T.

Mack C. Aria C.

Anna H.

Paul K.

Wednesdays 5:30pm

Saturdays 11:00am

Sundays 10:30am

Bernadette L.

Théo L. Kristen L.

Osy O.

Alessandra R. Krista S.

Miah S.

Leeann T.

Zach W.

Adele W.

Bentley W.

Shay W.

connections to notable figures like Clyde Stubblefield (James Brown's original drummer), Freda Payne, Ramona Brooks, and Ike Tillie S. Stubblefield, a legendary jazz Her musical journey includes earning a master's degree in vocal performance from the University of Toledo and embarking on a career as a music educator for over forty years. Her journey began in Elise T.

boasts

Aldo V. Ethan W.

Ken W.



Tuesdays 5:00pm

Saturdays 10:00am

Sundays 11:00am

PRESIDENT'S DAY

MONDAY 2/19

The Magical Connection between Math/Science and Music is now available to you with an innovative new preschool group music program. Learn More

Wednesdays 4:30pm

Saturdays 9:30am

musicians.

Brendan - Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute Brendan, Perrysburg, education

We are extremely excited to welcome new

amazing teachers to our Forté Family!

During high school, Brendan explored both saxophone and violin, but it was the saxophone that truly captured his passion. In addition to piano, saxophone, and violin, Brendan has also ventured into playing clarinet, and flute. Currently enrolled as a music education major at Bowling Green State University, Brendan is dedicated to enhancing his musical skills under the mentorship of Dr. John Sampen. His commitment extends beyond personal growth, as he aims to pass on his musical knowledge to new

originally

major

Bowling Green State University. His musical journey began at the

age of 11, with a love for piano sparked by his dad's playing at

home. This interest led him to take piano lessons throughout

school,

to

saxophone in the 6th grade.

elementary

transitioned

Brendan is thrilled to be a part of Forté Music School as a woodwind instructor. As a firm believer that learning music should be an

enjoyable experience, he brings a philosophy of fun and engagement to his teaching. He is dedicated to creating a positive and dynamic

learning environment where students can develop their skills and

Ja Marta

musical

cultivate a genuine love for their instrument.

Ohio, is a

student

until

and

violin

from

music

Dianne - Voice, Piano Dianne, hailing from a highly

local

organist and a distant cousin.

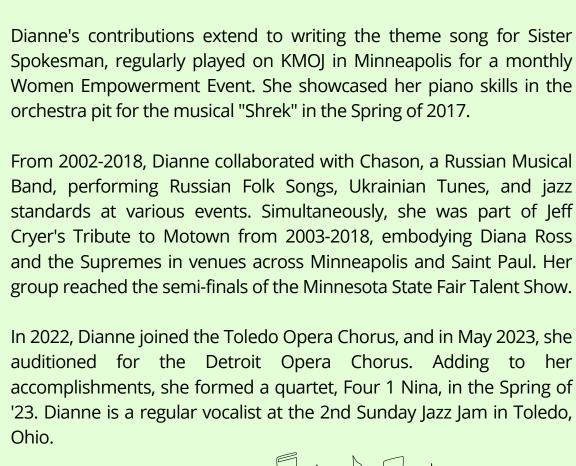
family,

1982 as the choral director at Start High School. In 2013, Dianne showcased her talents in the musical "Mahalia" at the Old Log Theater in Excelsior, Minnesota, playing the roles of Aunt Duke

and Mildred Falls, Mahalia Jackson's pianist. She also gained

recognition for her original song and dance, "Do the Lite Rail Shuffle,"

featured on TPT live broadcast of TV Takeover.



auditioned for the Detroit Opera Chorus. Adding to her accomplishments, she formed a quartet, Four 1 Nina, in the Spring of '23. Dianne is a regular vocalist at the 2nd Sunday Jazz Jam in Toledo, Jake - Violin, Viola

Yizhak Schotten.

Ohio

showcasing

excels as a Jazz Guitarist. He collaborates with a local big band called Night Sessions, bringing his musical talents to diverse audiences. Furthermore, Jake occasionally lends his skills to local musical theater companies, adding another dimension to his vibrant musical journey. With a rich background in both classical and jazz genres, Jake continues to make significant contributions to the world of music, leaving an indelible

Forté is filling up! Here are the

remaining teacher openings:

Viola's

Jake is an undergraduate Music Performance major at Bowling Green State University, with a focus on Viola. Currently studying under the direction of Dr. Hannah Levinson, Jake has previously studied with Dr. Matthew Daline and

In the Spring of 2021, Jake placed second in the

exceptional

Viola

Societies

his

Artist Competition. In this prestigious event, he captivated the audience by performing the 1st movement of the Stamitz Viola Concerto in D alongside the Toledo Symphony. Beyond his accomplishments in competitions, Jake is a recipient of the Hansen-Fellowship Award, highlighting his commitment and outstanding achievements in his academic pursuits. As an advocate for contemporary music composition, Jake has premiered works from fellow composers, showcasing his passion for pushing musical boundaries. In addition to his mastery of the violin & viola, Jake is a versatile musician who also

mark on the local music scene.

Alex (violin) - SOLD OUT

Amy L. (flute) - SOLD OUT

Chavar (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Conner (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Dana (violin) - SOLD OUT

Jane (trumpet) - SOLD OUT

Jim A (cello) - 1 Opening

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Chloe (voice/guitar) - SOLD OUT

Hector (guitar) - **NEW!** - 3 openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

David (guitar/voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Wednesday:

David (guitar/voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Jim S. (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Joslynn (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Julia (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Kevin L. (piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin S. (winds) - SOLD OUT

Melanie (piano) - SOLD OUT

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - SOLD OUT

Daniel (voice) - 2 Opening

Greg (guitar) - 1 Opening

Kurt (piano) - 2 Openings

Mustapha - 2 Openings

Nolan (piano) - 2 Openings

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT Julia (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Melissa (violin) - SOLD OUT

Orlando (piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin P. (piano) - 1 Opening

Brian (winds) - SOLD OUT

Dan (guitar) - 3 Openings

Greg (guitar) - 1 Opening

Jim A. (cello) - 1 Opening

Daniel (voice) - 2 Openings

Monday:

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT Julia (voice/piano) - 1 Opening Melanie (piano) - SOLD OUT Joslynn (voice/piano) - 1 Opening Melissa (violin) - SOLD OUT Julia (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT Kevin L. (voice/piano) - 1 Opening Randy (violin) - SOLD OUT Melissa (violin/viola) - SOLD OUT Ron (guitar/banjo) - SOLD OUT Ron (guitar/banjo) - 1 Opening Scott (drums) – 2 Openings Ryan (piano) - SOLD OUT Sy (piano) - SOLD OUT Sy (piano) - 1 Opening Wesley (piano) - 1 Opening

Ron (guitar/banjo) - SOLD OUT Sam (drums) - SOLD OUT Scott (drums) - **NEW!** - 4 Openings Sy (piano) - 1 Opening Wesley (piano) - 1 Opening Zach (violin/viola) - 2 Openings Friday: Bogdan (violin) - SOLD OUT Brian (winds) - SOLD OUT Corey (trumpet/online) - 1 Opening Dan (guitar) - 2 Openings

Randy (violin) - SOLD OUT Sunday: Ayanna (violin) -2 Openings Chavar (guitar) - SOLD OUT Colton - 2 Openings Daniel (guitar) - 2 Openings **Edward (guitar) - SOLD OUT** Jake (violin/viola) - **NEW!** - 3 Openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT Joslynn (voice/piano) -1 Opening Thursday: Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Dana (violin) - SOLD OUT Daniel (voice) - 3 Openings

David (guitar/voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Joslynn (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Kevin L. (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Lucas (voice/guitar/uke) - SOLD OUT

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Julia (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Kevin S. (winds) - SOLD OUT

Orlando (piano) - SOLD OUT

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - SOLD OUT Ron (guitar/banjo) - 2 Openings

Ryan (piano) - SOLD OUT

Scott (drums) - 2 Openings

Tuesday:

Bogdan (violin/viola) - SOLD OUT

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Chloe (voice/guitar) - SOLD OUT

Ally (violin) - 1 Opening

Brian (winds) - SOLD OUT

Connor (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Gracie (violin) - SOLD OUT

Jacob (drums) - 1 Opening

Jim A. (cello) - 1 Opening

Sy (piano) - 1 Opening **Saturday:** Brendan (woodwinds) - **NEW!** - 3 Openings Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Corey (trumpet/online) - 1 Opening Dan (guitar) - **NEW!** - 3 Openings Daniel (guitar) - 1 Opening David (guitar/voice/piano) - SOLD OUT Deja (voice/piano) - 2 Openings Dianne (voice/piano) - **NEW!** - 3 Openings Jim A. (cello) - 2 Openings Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT Kevin (voice) - 2 Openings Kurt (piano) - 2 Openings

Nolan (piano) - 2 Openings

Ryan (drums) - 1 Opening

Sy (piano) - SOLD OUT

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Ron (guitar/banjo) - SOLD OUT

Yana (violin/viola) - 2 Openings

Upcoming Dates

Mar 28 - Apr 3 Spring Break - CLOSED

Oct 24 - 30 Halloween Costume Contest Oct 31 Halloween - CLOSED

Sept 2 Labor Day - CLOSED

Dec 6-8, 14-15 Winter Student Showcase 🌟 Dec 24 - Jan 1Winter Break - CLOSED

Ellasyn C. Brady C.

Charlotte D. Ryder D. Kyzer D.

Reylin D. Tyler D. Samiyah E.

Bri E. Heather F. Mike F.

Shawn H. Gracelyn J.

Noa Beth K. Noelle K.

SriHari L. Tori L.

Laurel L. Darlene L.

Paul M. Ellie M.

Mounika P. Brandon R.

Royalty S. Stephanie S.

Erin S. Marley S.

Scarlett T.

Vaylia W.

talent dedication to his craft. The following year, he achieved further recognition as a winner of the Toledo Alliance for the Performing Arts' Young

competition,

Bogdan (violin/viola) - SOLD OUT

Greg (guitar) - 2 Openings

Jim A. (cello) - 2 Openings

Sunday Continued: Karli (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT **Kevin P. (piano) - SOLD OUT** Orlando (piano) - SOLD OUT Sara (voice) - SOLD OUT Scott (drums) - 1 Opening

May 26 - 27Memorial Day Weekend - CLOSED June 21-23, 29-30 Summer Student Showcase 🌟 July 2 - 7 Summer Break - CLOSED

Nov 26 - 30Thanksgiving Break - CLOSED