

GRML JUNIOR CLUB MEETINGS

A link to the presentations will be emailed to teachers and students on the first Friday of each month, October, December, and January. The link will be available for 1 month for students to view. Student performances will take place in person at Aquinas College in Kretschmer Hall on the first and second Friday of each month, October through February, at 4:15 pm.

October 6 (in person): Con Brios, student performers
Presenter: Bernadine Johnson, pianist, composer, teacher, "I know that song!"- a little history of well-known songs and their composers.

October 13: Allegros, student performers
Recorded virtual guest presenter: Anna Griewahn, GVSU vocal performance major and former GRML member, talks about life as a musician after GRML.

November 3: Con Brios, student performers

November 10: Allegros, student performers

December 1 (in person): student performers
Presenter: Jeff Hall, piano technician
What's under the cover of your piano? Jeff will show us a bit of the anatomy of the piano and explain how things work under that cover.

December 8: Allegros, student performers
Recorded virtual guest presenter: Dr. Alexis VanZalen, organist and musicologist, specializing in Baroque music. She will introduce us to the harpsichord and how it is similar and different from the piano.

January 12 (in person): Con Brios, student performers
Guest presenters: Linda Hoisington and Patricia Wunder, both are instructors at Calvin University and will present music for violin and piano by women composers

January 19: Allegros, student performers

February 2: Con Brios, student performers

February 9: Allegros, student performers
Recorder virtual guest: Dr. Helen Marlais, professor of music and piano pedagogy at GVSU, with students. Joy of ensemble playing and effective practice strategies and techniques will be explored.

Attendance will be taken at the in-person meetings/recitals, and there will be a short form to fill out online to receive attendance credit for the virtual presentations.

Dates to Remember

- December 2, 2023 St. Cecilia Music Center Piano Concerto Competition: Kabalevsky Piano Concerto, No.3, Movement 1. Winner performs on Saturday, January 20, 2024.
Application deadline: November 4, 2023.
Application is at <http://scmc-online.org/concerto/>
- December 7, 2023 Outreach Recital at Covenant Living Healthcare Building (2520 Lake Michigan Drive), 7 pm.
- February 10, 2024 Awards and Scholarship Competition, held at Kretschmer Hall, Aquinas College
Application deadline: December 16, 2023
Co-Chairs: Mary Jane Timmer and Joyce Stehouwer
- February 8, 2024 Outreach recital at Heather Hills Retirement Home (1055 Forest Hills Ave), 6 pm
- March 9, 2024 Federation Festival- Festival will be held at Grand Rapids Community College.
Application is to be done by teachers online, through Vivace.
Application deadline: January 12, 2024
Chair: Jinah Lee
- March 22, 2024 Federation Cup Recital- this celebrates the accomplishments of students receiving a Federation cup. This will be held at Kretschmer Hall at Aquinas College.

GRML Guidelines

Performances

Performances will be in person. To schedule a performance, teachers of Con Brios (K-6th grade) should contact Lyn Hoeksema (lynhoeksema@att.net) and teachers of Allegros (7th-12th grade) should contact Karen Betz-Griewahn (kbriewahn@aol.com). **No parents or students calling, please.** Requests to perform must be made a least 1 week before the performance date listed. Families that have a child in both Con Brios and Allegros who want to perform in person in the same month may perform at the same recital.

Solos (for piano) need to be memorized, duets do not need to be memorized. **Please wear appropriate attire when performing.**

To perform at an outreach recital (December 7 and February 8), teachers should contact Mary Jane Timmer (k.timmer@sbcglobal.net) 1 week before the recital. Solos (for piano) need to be memorized, duets do not need to be memorized. Please wear appropriate attire when performing.

Awards

The F.A.M.E. (Financial Assistance in Musical Education) Award Competition will be held February 9, 2024 at Kretschmer Hall at Aquinas College. Four FAME awards will be available to students who have qualified to compete, two junior high (grades 6-8, 1 piano and 1 instrumental) and two senior high (grades 9-11, 1 piano, 1 instrumental). The amount of \$500 will be awarded to those attending a summer music camp or toward further musical training. Also available is the EnRichment award and Karen VerHulst (piano) award, Blue Lake scholarships and the Lucille S. Dinsmore scholarships. **To qualify you must attend 3 meetings and perform at least once.** The Christopher Zeman award is available to graduating seniors and college students. Contact your teacher for application information. For further details contact Mary Jane Timmer (k.timmer@sbcglobal.net).

The **Grand Rapids Musicians' League** is a non-profit organization serving the Grand Rapids area with several musical programs. These programs are designed to enhance and foster the musical growth of students from kindergarten to high school graduation. Dues for the entire year are \$13.00 for students and \$35.00 for teachers/adults. We network through teachers. Students' teachers must be members of GRML.



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