

COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL

NOTES of INTEREST

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meet our NEW FACULTY MEMBERS



Soprano **JILL RAISEN BUERK** has 40 years of private teaching experience to her credit. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from SUNY Buffalo State & studied voice & opera at the Manhattan School of Music. Jill is available for voice lessons at the Elmwood & Snyder locations.



BRIAN C-DeJESUS earned a bachelor's degree in music performance with a concentration in jazz from Villa Maria College, where he worked as a music tutor at the Academic Success Center. He is available for upright bass lessons at CMS's Elmwood location.



HELENE GILBERT provided music therapy for more than 30 years at the Buffalo Psychiatric Center. She provides individual therapy sessions at the Elmwood location, while also leading a number of music therapy groups for CMS at offsite healthcare facilities.



Soprano **MARIA LINDSEY**, a native of Colorado, has provided individual & group instruction since 2007. She earned a bachelor's degree in vocal performance & pedagogy from Brigham Young University in Idaho, & a master's in voice performance from the University of Colorado – Boulder. She is available for voice lessons at our Elmwood & East Aurora locations.



TOM SMITH has been teaching private guitar lessons & kids music classes for over 6 years. He holds a bachelor's degree from Youngstown State University, with a concentration in Jazz Composition & Classical Theory. Tom will be teaching Music, My Grown Up, & Me classes at Elmwood.



PAUL WAARA earned his bachelor's degree in music education from SUNY Fredonia, with a concentration in voice/choral music. Paul returned to CMS in 2014, offering private voice lessons at the Elmwood location.

in other MUSIC NEWS

GANNETT FOUNDATION - CMS received a \$2,500 grant to continue our MusiConnect program for children on the autism spectrum (see image at right). We will be collaborating with the Autism Center at Women & Children's Hospital & the SUNY Buffalo State Exceptional Education Department. Fall & spring sessions will be held at Amherst Community Church. See the online registration section of our website for details.



MUSIC, MY GROWN UP, & ME - We will now be giving each child who attends MGM a small musical instrument for take home practice & play! The themes for fall will be getting to know you, family connections, fall weather & colors. Sign up now on our website.

SATELLITE SPOTLIGHT: LARKIN DISTRICT - Instruments offered include piano, voice, strings, guitar/electric bass & winds. Larkin is located at 726 Exchange Street in Buffalo (see image at right). Additional satellite locations - Clarence, East Aurora, Snyder & Lockport.

