# CMS News and Notes



Registration is still open for select winter group classes and ensembles! Visit our website at www.communitymusicbuffalo.org, stop by our front desk, or call at 716-884-4887 to register today!

#### MEET OUR NEW BRASS INSTRUCTOR

Denise Peters studied Music Education and French Horn Performance at the Crane School of Music. She earned her M.M.Ed. from University at Buffalo and has taught in the Buffalo Public Schools for 10 years. Denise teaches orchestra and classroom music at North Park Community School in Buffalo. She has performed with the Buffalo Wind Symphony over the last 6 years and has taught private brass lessons for the last 12 years.



#### <u>Reminders</u>

With cold and flu season upon us, we ask if students are ill or symptomatic, please be considerate and contact the CMS Office to cancel your lesson.

If you need to miss your lesson for any reason, please remember to CALL the CMS OFFICE at 884.4887 so we're able to notify your teacher.

CMS will be closed Monday, February 19th in honor of Presidents Day.

Students are not charged for holidays or school closings.





#### **Upcoming Events**

## **HEARTS AND FLOWERS RECITAL**

The "Hearts and Flowers Recital" will be held Saturday February 17 @ 12:00 p.m. This is open to all students. If you're interested in performing, please speak with your teacher and sign up at the front desk.

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY RECITAL

The "St. Patrick's Day Recital" will be held Saturday March 16 @ 12:00 p.m. This is open to all students. If you're interested in performing, please speak with your teacher and sign up at the front desk.

## **PERFORMANCE EXAMS**

Performance exams will be held May 17 - 19, 2024. Sign up sheets will be available at the front desk starting in April.

Please visit our website for up to date information on all things CMS at www.communitymusicbuffalo.org!



Kenneth Atkinson Scholarship Competition

Kenneth Atkinson served as Piano Chair, and then Piano Chair Emeritus at CMS until his passing in 2018. During his 51-year tenure, Ken inspired countless students, colleagues, and audience members alike.

This year's Kenneth Atkinson Scholarship Competition will be held on Saturday, March 23. Students of all ages and levels are encouraged to participate.

The award is a scholarship toward future study at CMS.

The entry form is enclosed.

## **NEW FREE CHILDREN'S CHOIR!!!**

CMS is pleased to announce that CMS will be providing a new singing opportunity for students in grades 3-8. All levels and abilities welcome! The choir will meet Mondays from 5:15 - 6:00 p.m. starting in March. Please contact our front desk if you're interested! This choir will be FREE and all are welcome!





## **COMMUNITY FRIDGE DONATIONS**

CMS is currently accepting donations of perishable and non-perishable goods, bottled water, and personal hygiene items. Please drop them off at the table across from the front desk at our Hamlin Park location. There is still much food insecurity in our community! Your kindness is greatly appreciated!





