November 2023

News and Notes



MEET OUR NEW MUSIC THERAPIST

Lancaster native Gina Schuster, MT-BC is a graduate of Nazareth University and has been a boardcertified music therapist for the past 11 years, working primarily at Hospice & Palliative Care Buffalo. Music has always been an integral part of Gina's life for expression, entertainment, coping, and connection. Some of her favorite things to do are dancing, being outdoors and live music. Gina is excited to join CMS where the love of music is felt by all!



<u>CMS Closings</u> Veteran's Day Friday November 10 - there will be no classes or lessons, and students are not billed for that day.

To all the veterans out there... we salute you! Thank you for your service and sacrifice!

Thanksgiving Break Thursday November 23-Sunday, November 26 - there will be no classes or lessons, and students are not billed for these days.





<u>Reminders</u>

With cold and flu season approaching, 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.

Upcoming Events

HALLOWEEN RECITAL AND HAUNTED HOUSE

Our Halloween Recital will be held on October 28th at 12 noon. Costumes are encouraged! CMS will hold a Haunted House following the recital. Please join us for tricks & treats and come dressed in your favorite costume! We'll have a fun family area with activities, and a spooky, scary area for older children and adults! Volunteers are still needed for this event-please contact Program Coordinator Nick Czaplicki at 884.4887, or email nicholasmarkczaplicki@cms-buffalo.org.

NOVEMBER RECITAL

Our November Recitals will be held on November 17 at 6:00 p.m. for all vocal & instrumental students, and an Adults Only program at 7:00 p.m. If you're interested in performing, please speak with your teacher and sign up at the front desk.

STUDIO MAKEUP DAYS

Studio Makeup Days are will be held December 26, 27, & 28. The CMS Office will contact you regarding information for your teacher's scheduled day and time.

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

Spots are still available in one of our awesome group classes! Visit www.communitymusicbuffalo.org to register!

<u>Totally Tween:</u> 10-12 year olds learn to develop healthy vocal and performance techniques

Percussion Expedition: Learn basic drumming fundamentals and discover other instruments of the percussion family! Ages 8-12

<u>Ukulele for Adults:</u> Develop your strumming techniques, learn basic chords, and more.

Legends of Music - The Beatles: Perform songs written by the Beatles with a live band & learn about performing with others.

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!

STAY IN TOUCH

In order to effectively communicate with our students, we ask you to make sure that:

-we have your correct phone number -your voice mailbox is set up -your voicemail has room for messages

Students and families will start to see more correspondence coming from <u>info@cms-</u> <u>buffalo.org</u>. Please check your e-mail filters to allow for e-mail communications to come into your inbox from this e-mail address.