

160 Turnpike Road, Chelmsford MA



MUSIC ELEMENTS

August 2024

performances

Teacher Performances

Dan, one of our drum instructors, has multiple performances this month:

- **Roma Band** (Italian Marching Band):
 - **St. Agraphina**, North End, Boston, MA **(8/4)**
 - **Fisherman's Feast**, North End, Boston, MA **(8/8)**
 - **Feast**, North End, Boston, MA **(8/11)**
 - **Fitchburg Feast**, St. Anthony's Church, Fitchburg, MA **(8/11)**
 - **Feast**, North End, Boston, MA **(8/22)**
 - **St. Anthony**, North End, Boston, MA **(8/22-8/23)**
- **The Pourmen** (Irish Punk Band)
 - **Stone Church Music Club performance**, Newmarket, NH **(8/16, 6:00pm)**
 - **Cape Cod Irish Village performance**, Barnstable, MA **(8/17, 6:00pm)**
 - **Askew Bar performance**, Providence, MA **(8/18, 6:00pm)**
- **Grooversity** (Brazilian Samba Drumming):
 - **Buckingham Brown School performance (private)**, Cambridge, MA **(8/7)**
 - **Emerson College Orientation Parade (private)**, downtown Boston **(8/28)**

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events

Happy Birthday!

Shane Quinn, Ayaan Srivastava, Mike Estinfil,
Grace Wai-Wissman, Vihaan Pydah, and Derek
Mahoney

Music Elements has no closings this month!

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Teacher Shoutout



Tyler Hoyt

This month's teacher shoutout goes to Tyler, one of our piano and vocal instructors! Tyler has been singing and playing the piano for 13 years and is often involved in theater as well, on and off the stage. He has been in multiple productions, including "The Addams Family" as Uncle Fester, "The Phantom of the Opera" as signor Pianigi, and "Little Shop of Horrors" as Audrey II. He was also musical director for a few productions, including "Tuck Everlasting!" Tyler is currently the director of Choral Ministries at Lutheran Church of the Savior in Bedford, MA, and has been in the position for 7 years. Tyler has an Associate's Degree in Arts and Sciences with a specification in Music, along with an Award for Excellence in Music from Middlesex Community College. He is currently working towards his Bachelor's in Music Studies at UMass Lowell!

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recipe of the month

Supernatural Brownies

This is not your average brownie recipe--

Nick Malgieri's 'supernatural' brownies contain half the normal amount of flour and a touch of brown sugar. This recipe makes for an extremely fudgy and moist brownie, so much so that it's almost supernatural!

See next page for directions!



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Ingredients:

Yields approx. 15 large or 24 small brownies.

- 2 sticks / 16 tbsp butter + more for greasing
- 8 oz bittersweet chocolate
- 1 cup dark brown sugar
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts (optional) or 3/4 cup whole walnuts



Directions:

1. Butter a 13" by 9" baking pan and line with buttered parchment paper. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Melt butter and chocolate together in a double boiler or in the microwave in 30 second intervals, stirring after each interval. Stir in the dark brown sugar.
3. In a large bowl, whisk the white sugar and flour together; a little at a time, whisk in the eggs, vanilla, and salt.
4. Ensuring that the chocolate mixture has no lumps, stir-- not whisk!-- the mixture thoroughly into the egg mixture. If using chopped walnuts, stir them in.
5. Pour batter into prepared pan. If using whole walnuts, arrange on top of batter. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, or until shiny and beginning to crack on top. Cool in pan or on rack.

For best results, bake a day before serving and store tightly wrapped in the fridge!



Watermelon Festival

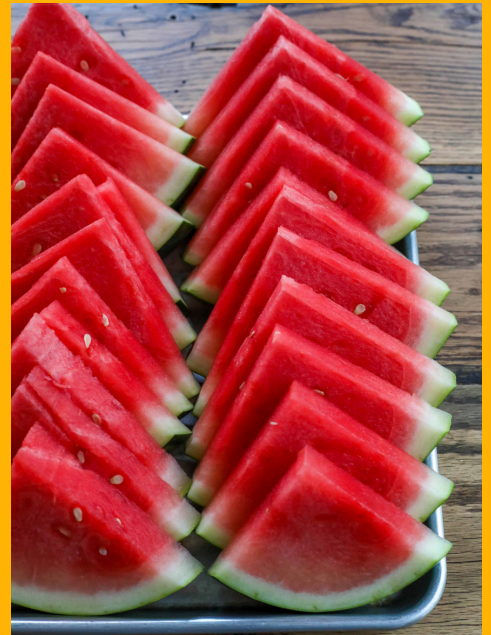
Bring your family and friends to Chelmsford's Watermelon Festival, where you can shop around, participate in raffles, and enjoy fresh watermelon!

Saturday, August 3, 11AM - 3PM at Chelmsford Lodge Elks (300 Littleton Rd, Chelmsford, MA)

'Common Picking': A Mini Bluegrass Festival

Enjoy-- or partake!-- in live bluegrass music! A guest concert will also take place in the early evening.

Saturday, August 3, 12PM - 7 PM in the Westford Common (10 Lincoln St, Westford, MA)



local activities + events

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thanks for reading!

Best wishes from our teachers and staff: Aleah, Anita, Bill, Dan, Elizabeth, John, Joseph, Judie, Justin, Madison, Melissa, Navarre, Nicoletta, Norm, Peter, Raye, Regina, Samantha, Tinson, and Tyler!

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