

Music Elements

The Beat is What Counts~

December 2020



Newsletter

There's still time to enter for our **HUGE** drawing!

12 DAYS OF MUSIC GIVEAWAY!

Music Elements is giving away an **ENTIRE** month of **FREE** virtual or in-person music lessons of **YOUR** choice! All you have to do is:



Like our [Facebook page](#) (if you haven't already)



Tag 2 friends on the giveaway post



Share the post

Once you complete these steps, you will automatically be entered to win!

Share one day or all 12 days!

On December 13th, a winner will be selected. The winner can choose to use or **GIFT** the music lessons!



Got some news that you would like to share?

Let us know if there is something you have to share in our newsletter and we will post your accomplishments so that everyone can share in the news!



Student Accomplishments

Holden C, a student of Peter's submitted an audition video for Senior Districts, GOT IN! Out of 11 trombone players he was one of the select that made it in!

Great job Holden!



Teacher News

Martha Robertson is having a "Home for the Holidays" virtual concert. The concert has her students as well as some of Cayla and Alex's.

The concert is at 6:00pm on Wednesday, December 16th
Event Time: Wednesday December 16th 6-7pm

Event Login Details:

[Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 990 2548 4150

Passcode: FEd2iK

Tomorrow, Olivia is performing in a concert with her University. The performance is offered through zoom and is free!

Olivia is performing with the UMass Lowell Chamber Singers as well as the Opera Workshop, and there will be additional performances from the Early Music Ensemble and the University Choir.

The theme of the concert is Underrepresented Composers.

Here's the zoom link to the event:

[Zoom Link](#)

Thank you, and we hope to see you there!

Meet Our Teachers

Elizabeth Garozzo

Elizabeth Garozzo is a classical pianist currently attending University of Massachusetts Lowell in their Music Studies undergraduate program.

Beginning her piano studies at the age of twelve, she quickly fell in love with composers like Chopin, Debussy, and Rachmaninov. As a result, Elizabeth is skilled in all manners of classical style, from Baroque to 20th century and beyond but is also comfortable with contemporary genres. Aside from playing piano, Elizabeth is passionate about music history and works as a freelance photographer; she plans to continue her music studies to the graduate level.



Have you heard of this?

AZTEC DEATH WHISTLE

Only recently discovered and originally dismissed as toys, these "death whistles" look like their name implies, but they sound even scarier. Warriors would use them for psychological warfare before battle, frightening their enemy by playing hundreds of these at one time.

They literally sound like the most horrified and angry people (perhaps the undead even) screaming at the top of their lungs. The harder you blow, the more intense the screaming is.

Now multiply that by however many warriors are in your tribe. It will send shivers down your spine when you hear it.



Look what's happening in December.....

Holiday Prelude

Date: December 6

Location: Lowell Elks

40 Old Ferry Rd Lowell, MA 01854

Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Holiday Prelude

The Annual Holiday Prelude and Tree Lighting Ceremony takes place on the first Sunday in December from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Delightful music, scrumptious treats, story times, face painting, horse drawn hay rides, and tractor rides are all to be enjoyed while waiting for Santa to arrive!

[Watch the show!](#)



Anita on the Music Elements Update During the Pandemic

Watch Below:

[Anita Discussing the Music Elements Update During the Pandemic](#)



Spiced Hot Chocolate Cookies

Ingredients for 12 cookies

1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup white sugar
2 eggs
1 stick butter
4 oz unsweetened chocolate
1 cup flour
1/2 cup cocoa powder
1 1/4 teaspoons baking soda
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon chili powder
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper, optional
1/2 cup chocolate chips
12 large marshmallows

Preparation

1. Beat brown sugar, white sugar, and eggs.
2. Melt the unsweetened chocolate and butter, allow to cool. Mix into the egg and sugar mixture.
3. Add all of the dry ingredients, and mix thoroughly (you don't want any cayenne pepper clumps!).
 4. Stir in the chocolate chips.
 5. Space out 12 cookies on a baking sheet.
6. Bake at 350°F (180°C) for 13 minutes. Remove the cookies from the oven.
 7. Top each one with a large marshmallow.
8. Broil for 30 seconds, until the marshmallows have just started to brown.
 9. Enjoy!



December Birthdays

- Kyle K, a student of Dylan's
- Tyler C, a student of Dylan's
- Merrit C, a student of Dylan's
- Dviti P, a student of Martha's
- Claire H, a student of Cayla's
- Natalie S, a student of Cayla's
- Tarra P, a student of Marko's and Dylan's
- Tyler Y, a student of Justin's
- Preston H, a student of Mike's

Happy Birthday from Everyone at
Music Elements

Famous Musicians who also share Birthdays in December

- Nicki Minaj: December 8, 1982
- Taylor Swift: December 13, 1989
- Frank Zappa: December 21, 1940
- Ted Nugent: December 13, 1948
- Jay-Z: December 4, 1969
- John Legend: December 28, 1978
- Mary Tyler Moore: December 29, 1936
- Jimmy Buffet: December 25, 1946
- Amy Lee: December 13, 1981
- Ozzy Osbourn: December 3, 1948



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Music Elements has T-shirts for sale! They can be purchased at the music school for \$15.00 each.



If you don't find your name in this month's newsletter, we will try to catch you next month. Be sure to share with your instructor about your activities.

Happy Holidays!

Anita, Dylan, John, Cayla, Peter,
Alex, Marko, Matt, Aleah,
Martha, Justin, Olivia, Mike, Elizabeth and Chris

