

Music Elements

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July 2021

Newsletter

Student Accomplishments

Philip, a student of Dylan's has been with us for 8 years! He started coming to drum lessons when we were still working out of Anita's house and has stayed with us through our time at Summer St and to our newest location! He is an amazing student and a very accomplished drummer. This year he has graduated and is going to be starting at WPI college.

We all want to congratulate and wish him the best of luck!



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!

Meet Our Teachers

Chris Ruben Winters



Guitarist and multi-instrumentalist Chris Rubén Winters possess years of experience performing professionally in a wide variety of musical styles. He specializes in jazz and classical guitar, and he has performed in ensemble formats including big band, salsa band, chamber choir, and pit orchestra for various local musical productions. As a member of these ensembles, Chris has played at many venues across Massachusetts, among them the State House and the Hatch Shell; he has also participated in workshops at several public schools across New England. Chris teaches students of all ages and spent many years working with children at his hometown YMCA, where he frequently performed for his students and helped to develop curriculum for music activities. Chris graduated with his Bachelor's degree in Music Performance from UMass Lowell in Spring of 2020. He enjoys tailoring his teaching to his students' own stylistic preferences and goals while emphasizing reading, music theory, and awareness of different musical styles and cultures. Above all, he hopes to share the intrinsic joy of guitar-playing and music-making with others.

Chris teaches all styles of music but specializes in jazz.

Have you heard of this?

Tenor cornett

Also known as a *lizard* for its serpentine shape, the tenor cornett is a wind instrument popular from around 1500 to 1650. It is made from a wooden pipe with finger holes along the body and is notoriously difficult to play. The instrument's mouthpiece is more similar to that of a brass instrument than a typical woodwind, requiring the maintenance of specialized embouchure (shaping of the lips and mouth), which is tiring if done for an extended period of time. With a range of two and a half octaves, the cornett was mainly used to reinforce the human voice in choirs, particularly those of countertenors.



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Look what's happening in July..... Massachusetts Fireworks

July 3, 2021 -

- Agawam, time 9:30pm, Six Flags New England
- Boston Harborfest, time 9pm, Long Wharf
- Fitchburg, time 9pm, Rollstone Hill
- Methuen, time 9:30pm, 100 Milk St
- New Bedford, time 9pm, New Bedford Waterfront

July 4, 2021 -

- Agawam, time 9:30pm, Six Flags New England
- Amesbury, time 9:30pm, Woodson Farm
- Barnstable, time 9pm, Lewis Bay
- Boston, time 10:30pm, Boston Common
- Bridgewater, time 9:30pm, Legion Field
- Quincy, time 9:15pm, Town River Bay
- Waltham, time 9pm, Leary Field



Strawberry Pretzel Pie

Ingredients

- 4 cups miniature pretzels
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup boiling water
- 1 package (6 ounces) strawberry gelatin
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 pound fresh strawberries, hulled, divided
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream, divided
- 1 jar (7 ounces) marshmallow creme
- 2/3 cup whipped cream cheese
- 2/3 cup sweetened condensed milk



Directions

- Place pretzels in a food processor; pulse until chopped. Add butter and sugar; pulse until combined. Reserve 1/3 cup pretzel mixture for topping. Press remaining mixture onto bottom of a greased 9-in. springform pan. Refrigerate 30 minutes.
- Meanwhile, in a bowl, add boiling water to gelatin; stir 2 minutes to completely dissolve. Stir in lemon juice. Refrigerate 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Chop half the strawberries; slice remaining berries and reserve for topping. In a large bowl, beat 1 cup heavy cream until stiff peaks form. Beat marshmallow creme, cream cheese and sweetened condensed milk into cooled gelatin mixture until blended. Gently fold in chopped strawberries and whipped cream. Pour into crust.
- Refrigerate, covered, until firm, 4-6 hours. Beat remaining 1 cup heavy cream until stiff peaks form; spread over pie. Top with reserved strawberries and pretzel mixture.

July Birthdays

We would like to say Happy Belated Birthday too:

Benjamin S, a student of Elizabeth's!

- Caedom R, a student of Dylan's
- Jack M, a student of Dylan's
- Tyler C, a student of Dylan's
- Liam Q, a student of Laura's
- Bianca K, a student of John's
- Nolan B, a student of John's
- Anika M, a student of Marko's
- Tyler C, a student of John's
- Rishika M, a student of Mike's
- Owen D, a student of Peter's
- Natania F, a student of Laura's
- Ava C, a student of John's
- Rebecca M, a student of Elizabeth's
- Mila O, a student of Elizabeth's



Happy Birthday from Everyone at
Music Elements

Famous Musicians who also share Birthdays in July

- Michelle Branch: July 2, 1983
- Toby Keith: July 8, 1961
- Slash: July 23, 1965
- Taylor Momsen: July 26, 1993
- Courtney Love: July 9, 1964
- Beck: July 8, 1970
- Carlos Santana: July 20, 1947
- Chris Cornell: July 20, 1964
- Woody Guthrie: July 14, 1912
- Synyster Gates: July 7, 1981



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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 4th of July!

Anita, Dylan, John, Peter,
Alex, Marko, Matt, Aleah, Bill, Justin,
Olivia, Mike, Elizabeth, Ambar, Filippo and Chris Reuben Winters

