

Welcome

The Newberry College Music Department Presents: Upcoming Music Events, Winter/Spring 2012

1/30	Dr. Stephen Taylor (Piano)	8:00 PM	AMC
2/13	Kimberly Turnbough w/Guest Artist Brenda Leonard (Piano/Cello)	8:00 PM	AMC
2/20	Arthur Haecker (Trombone)	8:00PM	AMC
3/3	South Carolina JAZZ FESTIVAL	8:00 AM	AMC
3/16	Newberry College Singers Spring Concert	8:00 PM	Wiles Chapel
3/23	Composer's Series Concert	8:00 PM	AMC
4/3	Newberry College Singers w/Guest Percussionist	8:00 PM	AMC
4/16	Newberry College Chamber Ensembles Concert	8:00 PM	AMC
4/17	Newberry College Symphonic Spring Band Concert	8:00 PM	Eleazer Arena
4/20	Newberry College Madrigals Spring Concert	8:00 PM	Wiles Chapel
4/23	Newberry College Opera Workshop presents <i>NC Opera Scenes</i>	8:00 PM	NOH
4/24	Newberry College Jazz Combo Concert	8:00PM	AMC

Call (803) 321-5633 to schedule an Audition on one of the dates below.

Audition dates for prospective music majors in our Music Leader Program are as follows:

Thursday - January 26 / Friday - January 27 / Saturday - January 28

Audition dates for prospective music majors are as follows:

Friday - February 24 / Saturday - March 24 / Friday - April 20

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MUSIC NEWS

Winter/Spring 2012

Alumni Music Center Celebrates New Space

The Alumni Music Center has a new look! This summer, the lobby and Recital Hall got a much-needed facelift. Renovations included new flooring, ceiling, lights, walls, paint and new seating in the Recital Hall. In addition, the Department of Music has been raising money, with the help of Jim Hale, to purchase new instruments and equipment for the department. To celebrate our new space and thank all of the donors who have helped us, the Department of Music officially reopened on October 7, 2011, with a reception and open house followed by Piano Gala: A Two-Piano Concert featuring Newberry College Faculty and Students.



NC Singers Reunion "Bringing Back Memories"



The photo was provided courtesy of Rev. Don Poole.

Coming from the Midwest, from Virginia to Florida, alumni singers joined the NC Madrigals and Singers for a joyous event. Dr. Chris Sheppard and Allyss Haecker directed the groups during the Homecoming 2011 reunion concert. The Madrigals and Singers presented music from their fall tour and were then joined by some 50 alumni with musical favorites from the past. The last selection was the beloved "Beautiful Savior" by F. Melius Christiansen that closed many NC Singers concerts for some 25 years. The concert concluded with the singing of the Alma Mater by all the voices (some 800 of them) in Wiles Chapel. The concert was recorded for future distribution by the College.

Music Education Update

The Music Education Department continues to grow. Janet Long reports 41 majors who want to be band, choral or general music teachers. The new curriculum, recently established as a result of talking to many alumni, requires our future educators to experience teaching in the classroom, continually, from the freshman year until student teaching. We are seeing immediate results. Thank you for your input.



We have also established a 'Music Resource Room,' which is housing public school textbooks and a myriad of other materials that can be used in the public school classroom. It also houses materials for choral and band methods as well as resources for piano, organ and church music courses. A recent graduate, Amber (Chavis) Pitts, has put numerous hours into preparing the Resource Room and has done a wonderful job of organizing and cataloging information. Please come and see the room; you will be impressed with the positive addition. Continue to stay in touch with us and feel free to contact us for help, suggestions and updates. We want to know what and how you are doing!

Choral Activities

New Community Youth Choir

The Department of Music has announced the formation of a community youth choir. Open to students from third through sixth grade, the Newberry College Youth Choir is dedicated to instilling healthy singing habits and musicianship skills in young singers through quality instruction and repertoire. The choir's first rehearsal was held on Tuesday, October 18th. They performed at the Lessons and Carols service held in Wiles Chapel on Thursday, December 1st at 8:00p.m. They will also participate in the Vintage Christmas celebration in downtown Newberry on December 9th. If you know a young singer who might be interested in this ensemble, please contact Mrs. Allyss Haecker at allyss.haecker@newberry.edu or 803-321-5195.

Opera Workshop

This past spring marked the first semester that **Opera Workshop** was offered through the Department of Music at Newberry College. The course is designed to introduce students to operatic repertoire, develop dramatic skills, and gain stage experience through the production of fully-staged opera scenes. Seven students participated in the opera workshop course which concluded with a terrific performance at the Newberry Opera House. The performance included scenes from *Mozart's Don Giovanni* and *The Impresario*, *Delibes' Lakmé*, *Verdi's Rigoletto*, *Ponchielli's La Gioconda*, and *Donizetti's Don Pasquale*. This year's opera scenes performance will be held on Monday, April 23, 2012, at 8:00 p.m. at the Newberry Opera House.



Mrs. Denise Rudell, teaches piano lessons and accompanies the Newberry College chamber choral ensemble and Madrigals. Denise received her Bachelor's of Music in piano performance from Eastern Michigan University, at EMU she was the first prize winner in the Barry Manilow Performing Arts Competition and the EMU Chamber Music Competition in 2006. She received her Master of Music in performance from the University of South Carolina in 2009 and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Musical Arts in performance at USC. She has participated at several music festivals including the Chautauqua Institution and Brevard Music Festival. Her teachers include Dr. Maria Perez-Goodman, Dr. Joel Schoenhals, and Dr. Joseph Rackers. Denise Rudell began working at Newberry College in the fall of 2011.

Piano Gala 'Time Outs'



Newberry College The Home of Jazz

The College Street Jazz Connection will have a once in a lifetime experience in March. They will perform at the Crescent City Jazz Festival in New Orleans from March 15-18, 2012. During their visit, they will perform at the festival for a panel of three clinicians who will then work with the combo in a 45 minute clinic session. The group will receive a rating for their performance and will compete for Outstanding Soloist awards. They will also present a second performance at a venue in the French Quarter. Also, as a part of the festival, they will be treated to a performance by the famous Preservation Hall Jazz Band and get to visit Preservation Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity that will give these young musicians memories that will last a lifetime. Members of the combo are:

Andrew Schultz – piano
Josh Seawright – bass
Bobby Scott – drums
Deral Brown – trumpet
Zachary Bond – saxophone



Our Jazz Combo(s) entertains at an Alumni party sponsored by a group of Lexington County (SC) Alumni. Over 100 were in attendance at the home of Susan and Jack Clifton for a great April event serving barbeque.

Freshmen Music Majors 2011

David Allen	Pelion	SC	Bass Guitar
Matthew Barnes	Irmo	SC	Percussion
Aaron Booker	Columbia	SC	Tuba
Crystal Boyl	Williamston	SC	Voice
Chariker Derrick	Prosperity	SC	Euphonium
Nathan Collier	Willow Park	TX	Voice
Joseph DeLuca	Matthews	NC	Guitar
Brandon Eargle	Chapin	SC	Voice
Karyn Ellis	Summerville	SC	Voice
Jeremiah "Chase" Everman	West Columbia	SC	Piano/Percussion
Megan Haigler	Florence	SC	Voice
Samantha Harley	Duncan	SC	Voice
Kevin Hunter-Bates	Newberry	SC	Flute
Carlton Kinard	Newberry	SC	Trumpet
Kalley Laymon	Prosperity	SC	Percussion
Sarah Livingston	Elgin	SC	Voice
Alexander Mclsaac	Myrtle Beach	SC	Trombone
David Mobley	Winnsboro	SC	Trumpet
Nicholas Raines	Chapin	SC	Tuba
Andrew Schultz	Easley	SC	Piano
Joshua Seawright	Easley	SC	Bass Guitar
Larry Sligh	Newberry	SC	Trumpet/Voice
Willis Tinsley	Pickens	SC	Trombone
Darnell Toussaint	Chapin	SC	Voice

The BAND News

The Newberry College, "**Scarlet Spirit**" Marching Band is the largest in school history with 95 members. The show this year was, "Disney in Scarlet and Gray" and is an extremely unique show in that all of the music, both for horns and percussion, and the drill, were written by students. Band Director, Bill Long, points out that this may be unique in the entire United States. Will O'Dell, a sophomore from Chapin wrote the score; Patrick Magwood, a junior from Hampton, composed the percussion score; and Travis Farrell, a junior from Pelion, the marching drill. The Disney show was very well received by the fans. For the first time in many years, the 'Scarlet Spirit' used two drum majors Alisa Dunovant, a sophomore from Lexington, and TJ Millwood, a sophomore from Clinton.

The **Newberry College Jazz Big Band** is off and running in what promises to be a banner year. The first public performance was at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Lexington, on Sunday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. The band's home concert was on November 30 at 8:00 p.m. in Wiles Chapel. The Spring tour is being finalized and will concentrate in North and South Carolina. Please check the Newberry College website for a concert in your area. Attend and bring a band student!



Bill Long, director of bands, was again coordinator this year of the extremely popular **TUBA Christmas 2011** held on Saturday, December 10. Because of a fire at Jeze Belle's, this TUBA Christmas was held in the Alumni Music Center Recital Hall. Forty-five tubas and euphoniums playing sounds of the Christmas season make it one of the largest TUBA Christmas attendances in the Southeast. People arrived early for this 3:00 p.m. performance as it is an extremely popular event in for the City. Janet Long, our Music Education Specialist, was the guest conductor.



Dr. Sally Cherrington Beggs, Chair of the Department, recently shared the stage of the Newberry Opera House with the Chicago Brass in a thrilling organ/brass concert. Everyone listened in awe of a performer able to dazzle with the feet and hands using only ONE eye! All of us wish her the best as she continues to fight an aggressive sinus cancer and cranial tumor.



Jazz Festival Concert 2012 March 3, 2012

This year's concert will feature Chris Vadala, an internationally known jazz saxophonist and former member of the Chuck Mangione jazz ensemble. This first weekend in March will see the Big Band host the 55th Annual Newberry College Jazz Festival, one of the largest in the Southeast. Be seated by noon in Wiles Chapel!