



HOLY FAMILY CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

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Dear Friends,
Let's have another great
NEW SCHOOL YEAR!!!



Thank you for your teaching!

We would like to thank Mrs. Plautz for her kindness, professionalism, and love for music! Unfortunately, Mrs. Plautz for the time being needs to suspend teaching at the Conservatory.

Thank you!



Please welcome our new violin instructor, Dr. Luis Fernandez!



Luis Fernandez violinist, teacher, chamber musician, concertmaster, and conductor, was born in Caracas, Venezuela, where he began violin studies through the El Sistema music program and the Latin-American Violin Academy.

After immigrating to the United States, he earned his Master of Music degree at the University of Florida, where he served as first violin of the Nuevo Mundo quartet-in-residence. The quartet opened the Hot Springs Summer Music Festival to critical acclaim, and was one of three ensembles selected to participate in the Aspen Music Festival's prestigious Center for Advanced Quartet Studies. Dr. Fernandez continued his studies at the University of Miami, where he earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in instrumental performance. In 2013 he served as Assistant Professor of Violin at the University of Florida. He was also previously on the faculty at the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music (Milwaukee, WI). Dr. Fernandez presently holds the endowed Robert and Joan Bauer Endowed professorship in Strings at UW-Green Bay.

<https://luisviolin.com/about/>

Meet our new harp instructor, Ms. Rosalindae Siegfried

Rosalindae Siegfried lives in Green Bay and is a senior at UWGB working towards a BFA in Writing and Applied Arts and a BA in English. Harp has been her passion for the last 18 years, studying with Sr. Marsaia Kaster, Anne LaBotsky, and Tammy Kazmierczak. She has had hospice training and has played for weddings and social gatherings. She has performed as guest principal for the East Appleton High School orchestra, and UWO - Fox Cities and Sheboygan symphonies. Teaching others to play is how she shares her love for the harp, celebrating its unique sound and beauty.



Please welcome our new classical/jazz piano, guitar, voice, and percussion instructor, Thomas Pibal!

Thomas Pibal eats, breathes and lives music, although sometimes he eats bacon and breathes air, too. Thomas plays 26 instruments, has a different hairstyle every day and lives to connect with, edify and inspire people through the amazing and transcendent art of organized sound. Thomas has worked as the staff accompanist at Lakeland University and Silver Lake College, the rehearsal accompanist for the Sheboygan Symphony Chorus, the choir director at the University of Wisconsin - Fond Du Lac, band and choir director at Sheboygan Lutheran High School, interim choir director at Kiel High School and lounge pianist in residence at the Hotel Retlaw of Fond Du Lac.



In 2011 Thomas released his first album of original music and he continues to write, record, produce and release music from his home studio. Thomas is a friend and former treasurer of the Michibago Music Teachers Association and teaches private piano, voice, guitar, bass and percussion lessons. Thomas performs regularly as a solo entertainer and lounge pianist, performs with his band The Thomas Pibal Trio: www.thomaspibal.com and is also the drummer for the jazz combo Jive Safely: www.jivesafely.com Thomas also works as a freelance accompanist for various high schools and theatre companies among other clients, and has also filled the role of rehearsal accompanist, music/vocal director, pit director and sound designer for several musicals.

Thank you for
weeding and lawn
care around the
Conservatory building!

Hudson, Haydn, Hunter,
Haddie, and Joy Hoffman

Bernie Zimmer

David Stillwell

Gina and Mike Schuler



Registration for private lessons for the ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR is ready for you!



Dear Friends! We listen to you and value your comments. Our goal is to make your experience at the Conservatory the most convenient for you.

Some of you have asked us if it would be possible to register for private lessons for the entire school year. Yes! Now you can find all sessions posted on the registration website and register for all or some of them.

**The beginning of Fall Session 1 is September 6th
Music for TOTs begins on September 12th**

Our offerings

Music for Tots™ children from birth to age five are enrolled in a ten-week music class each semester, Fall and Spring. Each class is limited to eight children generally of the same age. Participation improves tonal, listening, rhythmic and coordination skills of the children as well as verbal and socialization skills. Classes begin the week of September 12, 2022.



Piano Classes for children and adults in Manitowoc and Sheboygan are designed to help them discover the world of piano through games, ear training, rhythm activities and keyboard playing.



Our offerings

Handbell Ensemble for beginners have mixed ages of children and adults, **The Lakeshore Ringers** at 4:00-4:45 and advanced, **The Conservatory Ringers** at 5:00-6:30 on Thursday. Playing handbells builds musicianship, especially rhythm training and score-reading.



Performing in a handbell ensemble builds relationships and provides opportunities for fellowship.

We offer **Private Lessons** on piano, violin, viola, cello, guitar, harp, wind instruments, and voice is offered as well



“Bring a friend” discount program

The Conservatory has a discount program called “Bring a Friend”. If you refer a friend and he/she signs up for any lessons or classes you get a discount. Please, contact us for more information.



Mark your calendar!



- ▶ October 8th at 2:00 – **Concert Series:** Mr. Chair Band with a brilliant trombone player, Mark Hetzler from Madison <https://mrchairmusic.com/video>
- ▶ October 30th at 2:00 – **All Studio Conservatory Recital**
- ▶ November 20th at 2:00 – CORRECTION! **Handbell Concert**
- ▶ December 3rd at 2:00 – **Concert Series**, Sounds of Christmas: Chicago Jazz Big Band
- ▶ December 4th at 2:00, **Varshavski Piano Studio Recital**
- ▶ December 11th (times to be determined) **All Studio Conservatory Recitals**



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