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MacPhail Center For Music:

The Gavotte Newsletter

Sharing Suzuki Program and Community News with your Family
Thursday, January 21, 2021

Suzuki Association of the Americas presents:

Parents as Partners

Parents as Partners Online launches January 27, 2021 with over 40 video, audio, and transcribed talks for parents and teachers.

This series of short online videos for Suzuki parents and teachers will address such Suzuki-related topics as the parent-child relationship in practice, motivation, and practice tips and strategies for all ages!

[Register](#) now to gather fresh ideas on numerous Suzuki-related topics!

How it Works

- The SAA will email you on Wednesday, January 27 with instructions on how to access Parents as Partners Online.
- New video lectures will be added each Monday for 10 weeks, and they will email you when new videos are available.
- **Videos** can be watched on any web-enabled device: desktop and laptop computers, smartphones, and tablets—including iPhones and iPads.
- **Audio** only “podcast style” versions can be accessed by clicking the “Podcast” button at the top of any Parents as Partners Online page.

- **Transcripts** can be found through a link in the information attached to each video
- Once posted, all videos can be watched online at any time until December 15, 2021.

Email webmaster@suzukiassociation.org if you have any questions about Parents as Partners Online or how to register.

Faculty Profile: Andrea Glass, Suzuki Cello Instructor



When did you start music lessons?

I started violin when I was three, and then added cello when I was 7.

Where did you grow up?

Youngstown, Ohio

Did you like practicing when you were younger?

Yes! I lived with my cousins for a year when I was 8, and they all played stringed instruments too. My aunt and uncle were both violinists, so they would practice with us every night, as we were all Suzuki kids. I was always the one who wanted to practice first and the longest.

What led you to become a Suzuki teacher?

The birth of my firstborn. Before that, I was playing in several orchestras in Colorado and freelancing. A dear friend from college, also a Suzuki cello teacher, suggested I get training with Carol Tarr at the University of Denver. At first I wasn't terribly interested. But after my son, Liam, was born I thought some training would be helpful when it was time for him to start an instrument. I had planned to start him on violin when he was three (which I did!) So I began training, and auditioned for Carol, playing the Boccherini Cello Concerto, while Liam was crawling around on her basement floor. It wasn't until I watched Nurtured By Love while attending my Every Child Can class that I realized becoming a Suzuki teacher was my calling in life. It was a passion I didn't know I had until I started to pursue it and I am so grateful I did.

Do you have a favorite Suzuki repertoire piece?

The Swan

Are you performing anywhere these days?

Before the pandemic, I was performing a lot. I really enjoyed playing with rock bands as well as classical recitals. I like to push myself and learn as many new genres of music as I can and then teaching them to my students. This year I have been able to have in-person rehearsals with my cello rock class and we are having a blast. It's been really fun making performance videos with them.

What interests do you have outside of music?

I like to cook and I enjoy needle arts (knitting, cross-stitch, sewing, embroidery, etc.) I have learned a new style of embroidery this past year from Japan called Sashiko. It's really fun and beautiful. It's almost meditative. I also like to hike, read, do yoga, and crossword puzzles.

If you could give you 12 year old self advice about music, what would it be?

Don't be so hard on yourself. Not every performance needs to be perfect and certainly not every practice needs to be perfect. Enjoy playing your instrument more instead of trying to prove yourself to your teachers and others. Then, your love for music will shine through.

What silver linings have you found during the pandemic?

Slowing life down a bit, having more time to learn new hobbies, spending more time with my family, and taking the time to reconnect via Zoom with friends I haven't seen or spoken to in a very long time.

Instrument Specific News

SUZUKI FLUTE, GUITAR AND HARP NEWS:

Question about your group class date or time?

View Coordinators and Schedule Info Below:

<https://www.macphail.org/for-youth/suzuki-talent-education/current-students/>

PIANO GROUP CLASS NEWS:

Question about your group class date or time?

Email Susan Sophocleus, Suzuki Piano Group Class Coordinator:

sophocleus.susan@macphail.org

SUZUKI CELLO, VIOLA and VIOLIN News

Jan 23 - Groups and Orchestra Meet On-Line

Detailed Orchestra schedules were emailed on January 19th
with sign ups for Spring semester in-person meetings.

Questions? Email: vanderley.heather@macphail.org

Updated Suzuki Cello, Viola, Violin, Note-Reading and Orchestra Calendar Available
here:

<https://www.macphail.org/for-youth/suzuki-talent-education/current-students/>

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UPCOMING SUZUKI DEPARTMENT EVENTS

We're continuing our Friday night Suzuki department recitals. They will be online via Zoom. Recitals are at 6:00 and performers are recommended by their teacher. Check with your teacher about dates. You can be nominated by your teacher to

perform.

Please join us!

Look for an email from the SuzukiDept@macphail.org the Thursday prior to the recital date with the zoom link.

Friday, January 22

Suzuki Department All Instrument Recital

6:00 pm, ZOOM

Performers Include:

Cello: Summer Liu

Piano: Maxwell and Penelope Roberts, Luke and Claire Safranski and Gaby Pascoe

Viola: Nicholas Fu

Violin: Ciera Hanson

Host: Suzanne Greer

Suzuki Student and Teacher News

Send Gavotte Newsletter submissions to larusso.kamini@macphail.org
We welcome poems, photos, drawings, practice stories, and more!

Quick Helpful Links

[MACPHAIL RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS \(COVID-19\)](#)

Find everything you need to know as a current student, from calendars to schedules:

[Suzuki Current Student Quick Links to Information](#)

[Technology - What you need guide](#)

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