

MESA STATE COLLEGE

GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

Music Department News

Spring 2010

Calendar of Events

January

23 Saturday · 7:30 pm
Faculty Jazz Quartet
Wine Country Inn

27 Wednesday · 7:30 pm

Julie Gilder, voice
Senior Recital
Recital Hall

February

12 Friday · 7:30 pm

Elias Duo
Andrea Arese-Elias, piano
Carlos Elias, violin
Recital Hall

20 Saturday · 4:00 pm

Clarinet Day Final Concert
Recital Hall



Grammy-Award Winning Flutist coming to Mesa State College for Flute Day!

Grammy-Award winning flutist Rhonda Larson will be featured at the Mesa State College Flute day on Saturday, April 24, 2010. Ms. Larson will present her show, *One Woman, a World of Music* on Friday, April 23, 2010 at the Moss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall. Tickets are included in the Flute Day price. On Saturday she will present a

participatory workshop for all flute day participants and a traditional masterclass for six flutists. For a masterclass application, visit the Mesa State College Flute Studio website at www.mesastate.edu/~kballif.

Flutists can also participate in student competitions on Saturday morning (Middle School and High School Competitions and Orchestral Excerpt Competition), a "Self Care for Flutists" Workshop with flutist and licensed massage-therapist, Shelley Warren, and a Flute Day recital featuring winners of the student competitions and various flutists from the Grand Junction area. Cost for the day is only \$15 for students and \$25 for adults. Lunch and Rhonda Larson tickets are included for all flutists who register by April 16, 2010. For complete details and forms, visit www.mesastate.edu/~kballif.

A Special invitation to All Band Directors

From Dr. Calvin Hofer, director of Bands at Mesa State College

I am writing to invite you to participate in a consortium for an exciting new piece by composer Eric Whitacre. "The Seal Lullaby" is an adaptation of one of Whitacre's choral works and is written for middle school band. It is estimated to be a grade 2-3 work. Whitacre's previous works for band have included "Lux Aurumque" written for the Texas Music Educators Association in 2005, "October", "Noisy Wheels of Joy", "Sleep", "Cloudburst", "Equus", "Godzilla Eats Las Vegas" and "Ghost Train". I expect that "The Seal Lullaby" is going to be very appealing to audiences and performers, and it will receive numerous performances for years to come!

The consortium fee is \$500.00 per school program, and in return you will receive a complimentary score as well as a complete set of parts. Your name as well as that of your school program will become a permanent part of the published score. You will also have exclusive performance rights for a period of time determined by Whitacre until the composition is released through his normal publisher.



Audition for the Mesa State College Music Department!

Music scholarships are available.

Scheduled audition dates during the 2009-2010 school year:

February 26, 2010 · March 26, 2010 · April 17, 2010

www.mesastate.edu/music

Calendar of Events

March

17 Wednesday · 7:30 pm
Abigail Thompson
Senior Recital
Recital Hall

19 Friday · 7:30 pm
Orchestra Concert
Robinson Theatre

25 Thursday · 7:30 pm
Wind Symphony/Jazz Ensemble
Robinson Theatre

26 Friday · 7:30 pm
Festival for Creative Pianists
Judges Recital
Recital Hall

27 Saturday · 7:30 pm
Festival for Creative Pianists
Winners Recital
Recital Hall

30 Tuesday · 7:30 pm
Karen Simmons, voice
Senior Recital
Recital Hall

April

2 Friday · 7:30 pm
Percussion Ensemble
Recital Hall

6 Tuesday · 7:30 pm
Chamber Choir Concert
Recital Hall

7 Wednesday · 7:30 pm
Chamber Choir Concert
Recital Hall

10 Saturday · 4:00 pm
Brass Fest Final Concert
Recital Hall

12 Monday · 7:30 pm
Faculty Woodwind Quintet
Recital Hall

13 Tuesday · 7:30 pm
Jayme Mazon, voice
Senior Recital
Recital Hall



BRASS FEST with the Boston Brass

April 9

4:30 PM: All brass players - session with Boston Brass

7:30 PM: Concert - BOSTON BRASS, Grand Jct. HS

Tickets purchased through Mesa County Concert Association

April 10

9:00 AM: Individual sessions with Boston Brass, Mesa State Faculty, and invited guests

1:00 - 3:30 PM: Rehearsals for final concert--brass ensembles, guest performers

4:00 PM: Final Concert

\$15 fee - does not include price of concert ticket.

Tickets are purchased through Mesa County Concert Association.

Contact Calvin Hofer to register: chofer@mesastate.edu

CLARINET DAY with Dr. Madeline Johnson Professor of Clarinet, Snow College

Clarinetists of all ages are invited to attend Clarinet day at Mesa State College on Saturday, February 20, 2010. Schedule includes clarinet choir, masterclasses with guest artist Dr. Madeline Johnson and Dr. Adam Ballif, and a final recital featuring the Clarinet Day Clarinet Choir, student solos, and faculty members Dr. Madeline Johnson and Dr. Adam Ballif. Cost is only \$15 for the day.



8:30 - Registration

9:00 - Clarinet Choir Rehearsal

10:00 - Session with Dr. Adam Ballif

10:45 - Session with Dr. Madeline Johnson

11:30 - Clarinet Choir Rehearsal

12:15 - Lunch

1:30 - Masterclasses

2:30 - Clarinet Choir Dress Rehearsal

4:00 - Recital (Clarinet Choirs and Artists)

Mesa State College Symphony Orchestra Benefit for Western Slope Center for Children

The Mesa State College Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Carlos Elias will be performing their first concert of the Spring Semester on Friday, March 19 at 7:30pm in Robinson Theatre at the Moss Performing Arts Center. All proceeds from this concert will go to benefit the Western Slope Center for Children. The program will feature pianists Andrea Arese-Elias and Gisela Flanigan in Camille Saint-Saens' Carnival of the Animals. Other pieces in the program will include: Franz Joseph Haydn's Toy Symphony, Leroy's Anderson's Typewriter, Johann Strauss' Pizzicato Polka and Aram Khachaturian's Sabre Dance. This program is suited for a young audience, so children are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

Calendar of Events

April (continued)

- 20 Tuesday · 7:30 pm
Women's Choir
Recital Hall
- 22 Thursday · 7:30 pm
Student Chamber Ensembles
Recital Hall
- 23 Friday · 7:30 pm
Rhonda Larson, Flute
One Woman, a World of Music
Guest Artist Recital
Recital Hall
- 24 Saturday · 4:00 pm
Flute Day Final Concert
Recital Hall
- 26 Monday · 7:30 pm
Jazz Ensemble Concert
Robinson Theatre
- 29 Thursday · 7:30 pm
Grand Valley Brass
Robinson Theatre
- 30 Friday · 4:00 pm
Lynnsey Lambrecht, saxophone
Senior Recital
Recital Hall

May

- 4 Tuesday · 7:30 pm
Orchestra Concert
Robinson Theatre
- 7 Friday · 7:30 pm
Wind Symphony Concert
Robinson Theatre

Voice Faculty Spotlight: Jack Delmore

Dr. Jack Delmore holds a Masters of vocal performance from the New England Conservatory of Music, and a Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Arizona, Tucson. He is currently a professor of music/voice & vocal performance at Mesa State Collage in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dr. Delmore has performed such diverse chamber works as Britten's CANTICLES, WINTER WORD'S, Schumann's DICHTERLIEBER, Faure's LA BONNE CHANSON, and Poulenc's TELLE JOUR TELLE NUIT. He has also studied and performed the Russian repertoire of Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov and The Mighty Five as well as more obscure early 20th-Century American and British art song.

Dr. Delmore is a frequent soloist with the Grand Junction Symphony and the Western Colorado Chorale, Casper, Wyoming Symphony and the Tucson Masterworks Chorale. He has been a frequent tenor soloist with these organizations performing such works as Bach's, B MINOR MASS, Verdi's REQUIEM, CARMINA BURANA, Beethoven's 9th Symphony, and THE CREATION and MESSIAH. Dr. Delmore also premiered the chamber opera, IN THE SHADOW of the GLEN, by acclaimed American composer, Nancy Van de Vate – in 2001, he traveled to Vienna and Bratislava to record this same work.

As a full professor at MSC, Dr. Delmore frequently serves two active departments, Music and Theatre and has directed and/or coached many musicals, operettas, and, as of late, operas. For example, he has directed THE PIRATES of PENZANCE, MY FAIR LADY, JOSEPH and the AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT, SHE LOVES ME, GUYS and DOLLS, THE MIKADO, NO, NO, NANETTE, JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR, Sondheim's ASSASSINS, KISMET, and Purcell's DIDO and AENEAS and Menotti's, AMAHL and the NIGHT VISITORS. More recently he directed Gilbert & Sullivan's charming fairy-tale operetta, IOLANTHE, and Samuel Barber's, A HAND of BRIDGE and Gian Carlo Menotti's, THE TELEPHONE, and Britten's, NOYE'S FLUDDE (Noah's Flood). In the Spring of 2009 Dr. Delmore directed MSC's first fully staged opera, Mozart's delightful singspiel, THE MAGIC FLUTE to rave reviews.

Dr. Delmore has also served as Chair or Co-chaired MSC's Lectures & Forum Committee for almost ten years, which has sponsored countless guest lectures and special events in all disciplines and areas.



Mesa State College Music Department at the 2010 Colorado Music Educators Association Conference

The Mesa State College music department faculty and students were well-represented at the 2010 Colorado Music Educators Association Conference held in Colorado Springs in January. The Choir and Orchestra performed Mozart's "Coronation Mass" and received rave reviews. Dr. Darin Kamstra directed the small school All State Jazz Band and presented a drum set clinic titled, "Drumset Phrasing: Getting Outside the Pattern." Flute Instructor Kristi Ballif presented "Get Flute Smart: CONTROL the CHAOS in your Flute Section." In addition, Emeritus faculty Paul Schneider received the highest honor of being inducted into the CMEA Hall of Fame.

Festival for Creative Pianists Now Accepting Applications

Applications are now being accepted for piano students up to age 19 who wish to participate in the Mesa State College annual Festival for Creative Pianists on March 26-27. Students play any repertoire, any style, of their choosing (up to 15 minutes) and compete for many prizes. They also get coached by world class clinicians. For complete details see www.pianofestival.org or contact Dr. Arthur Houle at 970.248.1069 or arthurhoule@cableone.net.

Free Recital Voucher

Bring this voucher to the Mesa State College Box Office to receive
1 free student admission to a recital/concert of your choice.

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