Handsworth MUSIC NOTES

June 2010

BEST WISHES MR. VAN OOYEN IN YOUR RETIREMENT WE WILL MISS YOU!





Mr. Van Ooyen's "Marking Time" Retirement Event on June 4th raised \$4100 to date for Thrive City Music Camp and St. James Music Academy!! It was a time of incredible, top notch music from consummate professionals in the area. A special thank you to Keith Woodward and Bob Rebagliati for joining other professional musicians to make this a memorable evening of outstanding music. We wish Mr. Van Ooyen all the best for a long, happy and healthy retirement. Handsworth has been so incredibly fortunate to have had him be part of the strings program for so many years.

Check out the BCTV spot aired recently:

http://www.globaltvbc.com/video/index.html?releasePID=iy2x_Jk_97A1KA3am83S1pot3k2yT8V and the Thrive City Strings Camp on Facebook

http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#1/video/video.php?v=379534894951&oid=182442455290

CONGRATULATIONS MUSIC GRADS!

BAND GRAD AWARDS

Thomas Burge 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone Yoohee Choi Grade 12 Appreciation Award

Jason Cyr 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Matthew Harvey 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone
Mak Kiss 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone

Polly Lee 5 year pin Grade 12 Appreciation Award

Robert McLachlan 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone 5 year pin & 8 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone

Tae Won Youn Grade 12 Appreciation Award

STRINGS GRAD AWARDS

Michelle Cheung 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone Erika De Torres 5 year pin & 9 yrs Special Dedication in Handsworth Zone

MUSIC PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS 2009-10

Congratulations to the following students who won Awards at our recent Finale concerts. The criteria for Music Group Subject Awards includes: Strong musicianship or exceptional progress; Kind and helpful; and Responsible and reliable.

Junior Blue Concert Band: Nicholas Burian
Junior Gold Concert Band: Helena Son
Intermediate Concert Band: Yeon Joo Son
Senior Wind Ensemble: Matthew Harvey
Junior Jazz Band: Sean Ihn

Intermediate Jazz Band: Lauren Cheng

Senior Jazz Band: Lily Ye

Most Outstanding Band Musician (Junior): **Iksu Song**Most Outstanding Band Musician (Senior): **Jason Cyr**Len Henricksson Music Scholarship: **Lily Ye**

Toccati Strings: **Ben Tucker**Concerti Strings: **Michelle Cheung**Chamber Strings: **Richard Anderson**

Outstanding Strings Musician (Junior): **Hwansoo Chang** Outstanding Strings Musician (Senior): **Juliana French**

THANKS TO BAND EXECUTIVE MEMBERS 2009-10

Junior Blue Concert Band: Andy Choi, Justin Wilfert, David Hunt

Junior Gold Concert Band: Brian Cho, Aadishri Phillips, Joshua Engstrom

Intermediate Concert Band: Timmy Woo, John Choi, George Hill

Senior Wind Ensemble: Lily Ye, Warren Holley, Thomas Burge, Cole Northey

Junior Jazz Band: Aadishri Philips, Sasha Blakeley, Loryn Byres

Intermediate Jazz Band: Lauren Cheng, George Hill Senior Jazz Band: Lily Ye, Poly Lee, Hye Soo Yoo

KUDOS TO HANDSWORTH MUSIC STUDENTS

Congratulations to the following students who won, by audition, positions in the BC Music Educator's Association (Provincial) Honour Wind Ensemble for October 2010: **Trenton Galozo** — Clarinet, **Iksu Song** — Trombone, **Min Young Yoo** — percussion.

Congratulations to **Lily Ye** and **Iksu Song** for their acceptance, by audition, to the Vancouver International Jazz Festival "Jazz Intensive Big Band" as musicians in residence. They will be rehearsing daily from June 28th - July 4th. Final performance at the Jazz Festival will be at noon on July 4th at the Roundhouse Theatre in Yaletown.

Congratulations to BC Interior Jazz Festival special award winners: **Lily Ye** — Most Outstanding Senior Woodwind Player and **Diane Kim** — Most Outstanding Junior Percussionist.

BAND TOURS 2009-10 - THE YEAR IN REVIEW by Mr. Woodward

SEPTEMBER

33rd annual Senior Wind Ensemble Retreat Weekend @ Camp Miriam, Gabriola Island. Yes — 33 straight years to the same camp! Handsworth even has a section of wall named for us. Getting there was half the fun. We started by loading a one-tonne truck with band gear, suitcases, sleeping bags, and food for three days. School bus, two BC Ferries, cabs, and a one-hour walk got us to "band camp." The rest of the days and evenings included lots of rehearsing, eating, goal setting/sharing, games (including two hours of "Name That Tune" as a contact sport) campfire marshmallow roast, a tour of the Malaspina Gallery Park, and of course all the candid memories that will stick with us forever.

APRIL

Junior & Senior Jazz Bands @ the 33rd annual BC Interior Jazz Festival in Kelowna. After a couple of morning dress rehearsals, the 35 musicians of the two jazz bands loaded the coach for the five-hour ride to Kelowna. The Festival included two evening concerts, performances, adjudicator clinics, and instrumental master classes. Our time at the Marriott was mostly spent on the four-story water-slide, eating, and celebrating Sang Kyu's birthday.

MAY

Intermediate Concert & Jazz Bands in Kamloops on a performance tour. An early Thursday departure brought us to Silver Creek Elementary in Hope for a road concert — and a celebration of Iksu's birthday with a big cake. After checking in to our Kamloops Comfort Inn and a dip in the pool, hot tub, and water slide we headed off for a couple of games of cosmic bowling. The next day heard the band at Parkcrest Elementary and Beattie Secondary School of the Arts. The evening was spent at Aberdeen mall and the Cineplex movie complex. Saturday started with more instruments on our lips (except percussion). This time it was a concert & jazz band workshop with school Principal "Dr." Syd Griffith. Next, we were off to the BC Wildlife Park and the evening at the Sagebrush Theatre for the Kamloops Symphony performance. The return trip home on Sunday saw the bands spend most of the day at Hat Creek Ranch near Cache Creek, and Hell's Gate over the Fraser River.

BAND TOUR COSTS 2010-11

- 34th Annual Sr. Winds Retreat Weekend (Gabriola Island) \$150 (grade 11/12)
- Handsworth Winds London/Paris Performance Tour \$3050 (grade 9-12)
- Jr. & Sr. Jazz Bands West Coast Jazz Festival (Nanaimo) \$350 (grade 8/11/12)
- Int. Concert & Jazz Bands Kamloops/Sun Peaks Music Festival \$425 (grade 9/10)

STRINGS HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2009-10 by Mr. Van Ooyen

It has been a wonderful year with so many super activities. The Handsworth Music Department Concerts, the Winter Concert of Strings, The Festival of the Arts, the silver and gold that the High School Strings earned at Kiwanis, the great trip to California, the Elementary Festival and swimming and the best Ice Cream Concert in the Park ever! Thank you, students and families, for your wonderful support and involvement. The students have given me an awesome final year!

Next year there definitely will be the same program with 6 levels (including GSO) and special activities. You will receive all the details in September. The new Strings teacher has been hired. She is Tatiana Senyshyn who is an experienced and fun loving strings teacher. I can report that I think it will be a very positive year upcoming!

SUMMER BAND CAMPS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Capilano University Summer Music Camps <u>www.capilanou.ca</u>
- Comox Valley Youth Music Camps www.cymc.ca
- Blueridge International Workshop (July 26 August 6); email blueridge.chamber@gmail.com for more info
- Douglas College Jazz Intensive http://www.douglas.bc.ca/programs/continuing-education/programs-courses/cms/sumer-jazz-intensive.html
- KISSM (Kamloops Interior Summer School of Music) http://www.kissm.ca/
- North Vancouver Youth Band www.nvyb.ca
- UBC Summer Music Institute http://summer.music.ubc.ca/

UNIFORM INFORMATION FOR 2010-11

Are you already planning your back-to-school shopping? Don't forget that your child will need black **shoes / socks** and pants next year as well as either a black or white (depending on the group), long-sleeved dress shirt.

If you have shoes your child has outgrown, please consider donating them to the "shoe box" in the instrument room. Your child is also welcome to look through the box to see if there is a pair that will fit them.

If you have any questions about uniforms, please do not hesitate to contact our Uniform Coordinators Janet Holley (<u>jlholley@shaw.ca</u>) and Kathleen Whyte (<u>kjwhyte@shaw.ca</u>).

MPAC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2010-11

A vibrant music program needs parental help! Open positions are as follows:

Photos and Display Cases, Junior Evening stage crew, Senior Evening stage manager, Instrument Rentals (keeping track of payments)

ALSO NEW PARENT REP POSITIONS FOR 2010-11!

We would like each music group to have a parent rep who will help with communications with the group, making sure everyone has correct uniforms for concerts, and "herding" the group onto the stage in time to perform. Many hands make light work and this is an easy way to help out.

Contact Carol at piercyburge@shaw.ca for details on any of the above positions.

THIS YEAR'S COMBOS/CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

After looking at the Handsworth Music Performance Calendar on the following page, you will see that there are a lot of performances and music tours. In fact, the extracurricular jazz combos, chamber and strings ensembles do more than twice as many performances as the larger curricular classes combined, and these are not included in the Calendar. The Jazz Combos and Strings and Chamber Ensembles perform at least another 15 gigs per year.

The following groups represented Handsworth at these civic, private, charity, and corporate events this year:

The Handsworth Brass Quintet: Jason Cyr — trumpet, Keith Woodward — trumpet, Matt Harvey — horn, Mak Kiss — trombone, and Robert McLachlan — tuba.

The Handsworth Saxophone Quartet: Lily Ye — alto sax, Jiyeon Lee — alto sax, Lauren Cheng —tenor sax, and Jennifer Whyte — baritone sax.

The Edge Strings Quartet: Ben Tucker, Seve Patrick, Graham Whyte, and Ryan Wise

The Attaca Strings Trio: Hanswoo Chang, Eli Matsell, and Mike Lim

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

Handsworth Music Performance Calendar 10-11

Combos, chamber, and other ensemble dates t.b.a. when confirmed. All tour dates tentative until approved by school administration.

SEPTEMBER

24-25 34th Annual Sr. Wind Ensemble Retreat Weekend @ Camp Miriam, Gabriola Island

OCTOBER

- Music Parents & Music Dept. Open House at 7:00 p.m., Music Room (a social outing of music all music parents welcome)
- Bottle Drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. @ Handsworth (this is not a performance, but a great fundraiser)
- 21-23 Provincial Honour Ensemble students @ BC Music Educators Conference, Vancouver
- 27 Jr. Homecoming Concert @ Handsworth, 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Sr. Homecoming Concert @ Handsworth, 7:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 10 Senior Wind Ensemble Remembrance Day Performance @ Handsworth
- 18 Strings Winter Zone Concert @ Handsworth

DECEMBER

9 MPAC Sweet Music Concert (all groups) @ Handsworth, 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 15-16 Handsworth Festival of the Arts Jazz Cellar Concert @ Handsworth, 7:30 p.m.
- 25-26 Jazz Bands and Combos @ Kiwanis Jazz Festival, Capilano University

MARCH

- Wonderful Winds Band Concert @ Highlands United Church, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 Strings Extravaganza Concert @ Centennial Theatre, 7:00 p.m.
- 12-20 Wind Ensemble Performance Tour to London & Paris

APRIL

- 6 Handsworth Elementary Band Concert (with Sr. Wind Ensemble) @ Handsworth, 7:30p.m.
- Bottle Drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. @ Handsworth (this is not a performance, but a great fundraiser)
- 27-29 Jr. & Sr. Jazz Bands @ West Coast Jazz Festival, Nanaimo

MAY

- 12-15 Int. Concert & Jazz Bands @ Sun Peaks Music Festival (Kamloops)
- 13 Strings @ Kiwanis Music Festival, Langley
- 17 Jr. Musical Finale @ Highlands United Church, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 Sr. Musical Finale @ Highlands United Church, 7:30 p.m.
- 17-22 MusicFest Canada, Richmond (Handsworth music groups TBA)