

# News from the Education Department

## March 2010



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### Calendar of Events Munger Hall

#### March

19-Meridian Music Student Cooperative Recital—6:30pm

#### April

24-Meridian Music Student Cooperative Recital—6:30pm

26-Musical Musings Concert—7:00pm



### MUSICAL MUSINGS

Admission \$8 or  
\$5 for students & seniors

Please join us on the last Monday of each month as we welcome Musical Musings. Musical Musings is presented by Polina Umansky, cello and guest artists. These concerts feature a wide variety of classical music. We hope to see you there! For more information please visit the Musical Musings website:  
[www.musicalmusings.org](http://www.musicalmusings.org)

### SUMMER CAMPS & CLASSES

It is hard to believe that it is already time to begin thinking about summer activities! Summer is a great time to buckle down and really focus on your music lessons. It is also a great time to try something new!

Private Lessons continue during the summer months, but Meridian Music also offers a variety of camps & classes during the summer as well. Please see the list below:

- Harmony Road Introductory Classes
- Piano Mini-Camps
- Guitar Mini –Camps
- Drumming Mini –Camps (NEW!)
- Musical Theater Camps
- Rock Band Camp



Many of these camps are suitable for beginning students, but some are designed for students with some prior experience. Please contact Hillary Blake, Director of Edu-

### SPRING BREAK



Just a reminder that Meridian Music does not take a spring break. Please check with your individual teacher in regard to vacation plans. As a courtesy to your teacher, please let your teacher know about your vacation plans in advance. Teachers will do the same.

### Meridian Music and its Global Connection

#### A World Première via Technology

Meridian Music's Education Department is home to over a dozen teaching studios, dedicated music instructors and determined students. Working on a one-on-one basis, teachers impart their knowledge in consumable increments to their students during weekly lessons, patiently encouraging and challenging pupils. After a season of musical growth, students should have the opportunity to present their development publicly through periodic recitals; a natural platform for musicians to demonstrate progress through performance

During a recent February recital, Dr. Erzsébet Gaál Rinne, instructor of harp, piano, flute and recorder, presented an innovative method of connecting Meridian Music with the global community. Two of Dr. Rinne's students, Katie Kisker and Molly Boyle, performed, *Children Songs for Harp*, composed by Hungarian composer Katalin Pócs in 2009, for the recital at Munger Hall. The recital utilized a 21st century communication: *Skype* to connect the American audience with its Hungarian composer in Budapest. Thus, the world premier was enjoyed on two continents simultaneously. Such technology allowed for immediate feedback regarding the performance by composer and musicians, a truly moving experience for all.



### PLAY PIANO IN A FLASH...

Meridian Music Teacher, Dr. Becky Baker will continue to offer Play Piano in a Flash classes at Meridian Music. If you've always wanted to learn how to play the piano, this is a fun and exciting way to get started! Contact Dr. Baker at 317-432-2029 for more information.

### MUSICAL QUOTE OF THE MONTH...

*"Play the music, not the instrument."*  
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