## Music For Minors II

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# Why Teach Music?



- Music is science.
- Music is mathematical.
- Music is a foreign language.
- Music is history.
- Music develops insight and demands research.
- Music is physical education.
- Music is all these things but most of all music is art.

## WHY teach music?

#### music is a science

It is exact, specific; it demands exact acoustics. A conductor's full score is a chart, a graph which indicates frequencies, intensities, volume changes, melody and harmony all at once and with the most exact control of time.

### music is mathematical

It is rhythmically based on the subdivision of time into fractions which must be done instantaneously, not worked out on paper.

#### music is a foreign language

Most of the terms are in Italian, German, or French; and the notation is certainly not English – but a highly developed kind of shorthand that uses symbols to represent ideas. The semantics of music is the most complete and universal language. Also, many songs we study are from other cultures.

### music is physical education

It requires fantastic coordination of fingers, hands, arms, lip, cheek, and facial muscles, in addition to extraordinary control of the diaphragmatic, back, stomach, and chest muscles, which respond instantly to the sound the ear hears and the mind interprets.

### most of all, music is art.

It allows a human being to take all these dry, technically boring (but difficult) techniques and use them to create emotion. That is one thing science cannot duplicate: humanism, feeling, emotion.

# This Is Why We Teach Music!





...not because I expect you to major in music, not because I expect you to play or sing all your life, not so you can relax, not so you can have fun,

but so you will be human,
so you will recognize beauty,
so you will be closer to an infinite beyond this world,
so you will have something to cling to,
so you will have more love, more compassion,
more gentleness, more good

n short, more life

Of what value will it be to make a prosperous living unless you know how to live?

Kathryn B. Hull

# Music Is Essential for a Child's Healthy Development



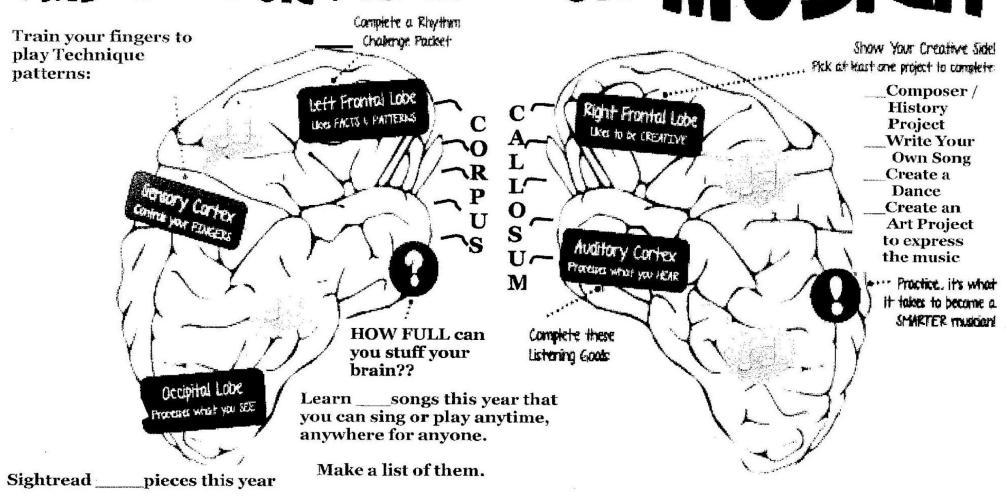
- "...music stimulates specific regions of the brain responsible for memory, motor control, timing and language." (1998 Findings, Society for Neuroscience)
- Music provides tremendous benefits to children's emotional and behavioral maturation according to one of the largest scientific studies into music's effect on the brain, by the University of Vermont College of Medicine.
- Music can be a powerful treatment of cognitive disorders like ADHD, autism.
- Music develops spatiotemporal faculties, aiding the ability to solve complex math.
- **MUSIC CLOSES THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP.**

# Music Grows Brain Cells



# THIS IS YOUR BRAIN

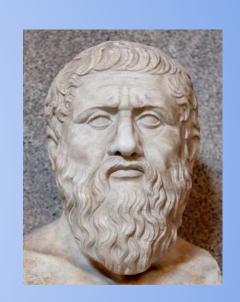
# ON MUSIC!



## MUSIC Is A Moral Law



It gives SOUL to the universe.
WINGS to the mind.
FLIGHT to the imagination
And charm and gaiety to
LIFE and to everything.



- Plato

## MFMII Mission



"To nurture the love of music in children and develop musical literacy through instruction, participation and performances, enhancing academic education with the musical arts."

# What MFMII Can Do For You?



Training

Support

Community Service

# MFMII Program



- Free music docent training
- Classroom teacher inservice & empowerment
- Music Workshops
- Community Concerts
- Free Music Resource Centers
- Free Online resources
- Free school presentations (Taiko Drumming, Family Music Nights, Blues in the Schools, Red, White & Blue Patriotic singalong)
- Free monthly music & movement for kids
- Children's Choir (performs at schools and in the community)

# Free Docent Training

















# Workshops, Concerts, Presentations And More



MFMII staff



MFMII showcase concert featuring over 300 kids



Marching in the July 4th parade



MFMII students singing and playing rhythm sticks



Playing instruments at a Family Music Night



MFMII docents teaching virtually



MFMII interactive booth in the community



MFMII Preschool Program with Lori & RJ



MFMII offers free school presentations such as Taiko drumming



Barry Walter sings and plays his guitar



Music & Movement For Kids session via Zoom

## MFMII Kids Choir

- 1st 6th graders
- Fun
- Promote good will
- Community performances
- □ Singing including vocal techniques, breathing, playing rhythmic instruments and choreography
- ☐ Encourages cooperation, responsibility, self-discipline, self-esteem, perseverance, respect and creativity
- Auditions in Sept/Jan





MFMII kids choir holiday concert at Niles school - kids sing for socks that are donated to the homeless





The seniors at The Villas at Saratoga are delighted by the holiday performance.

Performance at the Tree Lighting at Pacific Commons







MFMII kids choir perform at the MFMII Showcase Concert at Logan PAC













A thrilling experience for the kids chair to perform with Bay Philharmonic and BPYO.





A huge shout out to choir director, Ms Lydia, and her family for another successful year.



Performance at The Villas is a huge hit with the seniors!

## What We Teach In The Classroom





Singing /Signing Songs



Instruments



Rhythmic Movement / Dance



Listening Appreciation

# Positive Impact Of MFMII



- Increased focus, memory, sequencing/ comprehension skills
- □ Promotes positive social/emotional skills; co-operation, respect
- Increases self-confidence and self-discipline
- Reinforces academics: language acquisition, critical thinking, spatial relationships
- Increases motivation / empowerment through engagement
- Makes learning FUN

## **Teacher Comments**



Music makes my students joyful and excited to learn. There is an increased ability to retain information, eagerness to cooperate with peers and a confidence that shines when it is music time.

"The children had a chance to learn songs, make an instrument and become exposed to new music. Thank you for finding a way to continue this work despite the pandemic! I know it was a challenge and truly appreciate the effort required!"

It gives those students who aren't excelling academically another avenue to be creative and feel good about themselves.

The students are up and moving. More importantly, they are learning how to read music.

# How YOU Can Help



- Promote music education for ALL children in schools.
- ✓ Volunteer as a docent, liaison, board member, resource center assistant, event aide.
- Attend a community concert or workshop.
- Will you Help Our Students To Sing? Become a HOSTS Sponsor.



## Help Keep Music In Our Schools & Communities!



Students learning a song with sign language



Over 200 students perform at the MFMII Showcase Concert



MFMII interactive booth at the Fremont Festival of the Arts



Bella, MFMII's Community Outreach Ambassador and YouTube star



Blues in the Schools presentation with Mr Barry





Family Music Night



Free, monthly music and movement for kids



MFMII Kids Choir for 1st-6th graders



MFMII Docent Graduation

Free MFMII Docent Training starts mid September. Best volunteer role ever! www.musicforminors2.org



Music touches the heart and feeds the brain yet it is cut from many schools.

Now more than ever, we must keep music alive for everyone!

## **BECOME A TRAINED MUSIC VOLUNTEER**



## FREE TRAINING - Only 11 sessions

September 18 - November 6, 2023 (Mondays & Wednesdays) (Mondays -In Person Training in Fremont @ 9:15-11:45 am and Wednesdays-Online @ 7-9.15 pm)

## Orientation on September 13 @ 9.30-11am

Ongoing Support Through Docent Mentors & Free Lesson Plans.

### Love music and children?

- Volunteer once a week for 30 minutes in a child's classroom.
- Be motivated, empowered, and fulfilled as a Volunteer MFMII Music Docent!

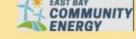


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## HELP KEEP MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS

Music For Minors II (MFMII) is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization (EIN # 94-3102307). "Nurturing a lifelong love and literacy of music in children's classrooms and lives, since 1988."



La música toca el corazón y alimenta el cerebro. sin embargo, está excluido de muchas escuelas.

¡Ahora más que nunca, debemos mantener viva la música para todos!

## SEA UN VOLUNTARIO DE MUSICA ENTRENADO



## ENTRENAMIENTO GRATIS - Solo 11 sesiones

18 de septiembre – 6 de noviembre de 2023 (lunes y miércoles) (Lunes -Entrenamiento en persona en Fremont @ 9:15-11:45 am y Miércoles- En línea @ 7-9.15 pm)

Orientación el 13 de septiembre @ 9.30-11am Apoyo continuo a través de mentores docentes y planes de lecciones gratuitos.

¿Te encanta la música y los niños?

- Ofrézcase como voluntario una vez a la semana durante 30 minutos en el salón de clases de un niño.
- Esté motivado, empoderado y realizado como un Docente de Música Voluntario de MFMII!

## Haga clic aquí para aplicar - https://tinyurl.com/4eyheh9b

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## APOYE LA MUSICA EN NUESTRAS ESCUELAS

Nuestra misión de una organización 501 (c) (3) no lucrativa (EIN # 94-3102307) es: "Fomentar un aprecio de por vida y una capacidad en la música en la vida de los niños"







