## Music For Minors II

29th Year of Service - July 2017

Keeping Music Alive in Children's Classrooms and Lives!



**Carol Zilli, Executive Director** 

Congratulations to all of our wonderful volunteer Docents, Liaisons, and Board Members and a tireless, dedicated Staff for making our 29<sup>th</sup> year of service such a successful one! How wonderful it was to see so many of you at our Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on June 2<sup>nd</sup> as we celebrated YOU and the ARTS!

We have added another chapter to the MFMII story and it is one filled with creativity, joy, hard work, and the magic that only making music with children can bring. Over 5000 docent volunteer hours each week, Family Music Nights at our schools and exciting and powerful spring performances coordinated and led by our outstanding docents have shown the positive impact MFMII has had on children, teachers, school staff and parents.

Our community booths have also helped spread the word about MFMII and hopefully we have recruited many more wonderful volunteers who are "all heart" when it comes to keeping music in children's classrooms and lives. Please join us in our recruitment efforts to make our 2017 Docent Training classes the biggest ever!

As we look to our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018, we are filled with joy knowing that we have touched the heart and fed the brains of thousands of children who would not have had music in their classrooms were it not for MFMII.

We are thankful for over 1000 adult volunteer docents whom we recruited and trained who made that happen. More details to come as we plan our 30<sup>th</sup> celebration, and we welcome you to join in the event planning of this special year.

## **MFMII Highlights**

It was a very good 29th year!



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#### **Community Hero Award**

Carol Zilli, MFMII ED, just received a Community Hero Award from the California State Assembly for her outstanding contributions to the residents of the 20th Assembly District.

She along with 60 other recipients was honored for her continued dedication to make our shared community a better place.

## In Harmony Service Award



Docent Liz Baker is the recipient of the MFMII 2017 In Harmony Service Award, for her outstanding service to children in Kindergarten and First Grade at Chabot Elementary School in Castro Valley for the past seven years. "Grammy Liz" has powerfully touched the lives of countless children whose love of music and especially instruments has been forever ignited by her creative musical magic. MFMII thanks you Liz and looks forward to many more years with you.

# This program IS what saves that ONE CHILD.

Liz Baker

## **Volunteer Recognition Luncheon**





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## Thank You!

#### **Volunteer Recognition Luncheon**

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## Sponsor A Child For Only \$10 Per Year



#### Did You Know?

You can sponsor a child for \$10 a year for weekly music enrichment. You can also sponsor an entire classroom of children for the school year for only \$250. Amazing how far your kind donation can go! Won't you Help Our Students To Sing (HOSTS)?

## **Upcoming Events**

July 13th Join MFMII at the Fremont Main Library on this Thursday from 11:30-12:30 pm. in the Fukaya Room for a fun-filled musical hour for families.

August 5-6 MFMII Booth at the Fremont Art and Wine Festival in the Kids' Zone. Visit our booth or volunteer to be in the booth and help promote MFMII for an hour or so.

September 9-10 MFMII Booth at the Castro Valley Fall Festival 10am-6pm. Join in the recruitment fun!



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On stage with award winning artist, Charlotte Diamond



"Yesterday's Dream" at Fremont Council PTA Founders Day



Sing For Spring Concert



## How Can You Help Bring Music to Children in Need?

Train to Be a Music for Minors II Docent and change lives including your own!

class beginning on Sept. 13th. Using the included recruitment flyer is all it takes and getting it into the hands of a prospective docent with a huge smile on your face and an enthusiasm that conveys the joy of our program and how it positively impacts children's lives. Please join us so that our 30th anniversary year of 2018 will mean we are reaching well over 5,000 children each week.



Music touches the heart and feeds the brain yet it is cut from many schools. Don't deny children their thirst for music.

## **BECOME A TRAINED MUSIC VOLUNTEER**

## FREE TRAINING – Only 11 Sessions!

Ongoing Support through Docent Mentors & Lesson Plans Training dates: September 13 – November 1 (Mondays & Wednesdays)

FREMONT

9:15 – 11:45 am Fremont Congregational Hall 38255 Blacow Road, Fremont, CA 94536 or CASTRO VALLEY

6:45 - 8:45 pm Castro Valley School of Music 3300 E Castro Valley Blvd, Ste A, Castro Valley, CA 94552



To apply and for more information: Application: https://goo.gl/forms/bwohi8ddr8iO6Rk32 www.musicforminors2.org Phone: 510 733 1189

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## HELP KEEP MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS

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



MFMII is happy to partner with the Fremont Symphony Orchestra (FSO) as we mutually promote the arts in the community. Partnering will consist of promotion of our mutual events and ongoing communication of our needs. We will be sharing a booth at the Fremont Arts and Wine Festival and can distribute our recruitment flyers at FSO events. In addition, the <u>FSO</u> and Fremont Youth Symphony Orchestra (<u>FYSO</u>) will offer their talents in our booths or at docent sharing workshops. We plan to have a workshop on the instruments of the orchestra that might include some members of the FSO as presenters.

Remember to visit the MFMII / FSO booth in the kids zone at the Fremont Festival of the Arts on August 5th and 6th. Everyone is welcome! Make an egg shaker maraca, learn a dance, play the tonebells or boomwhackers and listen to music from Fremont Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Virtuoso International Flute Ensemble (VIFE).

MFMII looks forward to more community partnering with Music at the Mission (MAM) and Republic Services who have been sponsors for our events.

## New! MFMII Instrument Starter Kits (MISKs)

Following the success of the Charlotte Diamond Concert, MFMII offered MISKs to schools without a MFMII resource center. The MISKS include an assortment of instruments for classroom use by children and docents. The kits have been a hit and will make life easier for our docents.

Another beautiful story of our program's impact this year, came from a new Castro Valley Docent at Chabot School, Teresa Talbot. She shared that once she started to invite parents with varied cultural backgrounds to share music from their homeland, students began to become more engaged. In fact, she made sure that each child's homeland songs were modeled so that the children could learn them all. Each child received a booklet with songs in Spanish, French, Chinese, etc. In one child's case, he made a complete transformation from a shy, uninterested student to a fully engaged and joyful one who was so proud to see his mother share music from his homeland with others. He remained engaged for the rest of the school year as that experience opened him up to the wide world of music. Hats off to Docent Teresa for her successful engagement of parents in our MFMII class lessons and for meeting her students' needs. The whole class experienced the beauty of being united in song.

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