

KU SCHOOL OF MUSIC

QUICKNOTES

This month's QuickNotes provides a glimpse into the busy worlds of our highly exceptional students and faculty! Don't forget to visit our website at <http://music.ku.edu> for the most updated list of KU School of Music news and events. Rock Chalk!

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Professor Stephanie Zelnick was selected to be a member of the National Fulbright Scholar Peer Review Committee for 2012-13. Professor Zelnick is associate professor of clarinet at KU.



The University of Kansas Wind Ensemble will perform at the Lied Center on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, at 7:30 PM, presenting works of two Pulitzer Prize winners and the Kansas premiere of a work by KU Professor James Barnes. "Road Stories" by Pulitzer-Prize winner Jennifer Higdon will be led by graduate conductor Chad Simons; graduate conductor Michael Mapp will conduct "Music for Prague" by Pulitzer-Prize winner Karel Husa; and Director of Bands Paul Popiel will conduct the final work of the concert, "Symphonic Requiem (Seventh Symphony)" by KU Professor James Barnes. Tickets are

available at the Lied Box Office at lied.ku.edu or 785-864-2787.

The KU Youth Chorus (KUYC) begins its eighth year this fall at the University of Kansas. The choir is a non-auditioned group for children in grades 4-8 created to provide a singing experience for interested children and offer KU undergraduate and graduate music education majors opportunities to enhance their conducting and rehearsal skills. Rehearsals will begin October 11 and continue through early May 2013, from 4:30-5:45 PM in the choir room in Murphy Hall, room 328. Cost of membership is \$60 per calendar year. Contact Ashley Allen at adallen@ku.edu for more registration information.



Cindy Colwell, associate professor of music education and music therapy, was chosen to receive the 2012 American Music Therapy Association/AMTA Research/Publications Award. Each year the AMTA recognized individuals for their contributions to research, professional practice, service, advocacy or a combination of activities. Professor Colwell will be recognized at the AMTA annual conference in St. Charles, IL, in October.



The Kruse Duo, comprised of Steven Kruse on viola and Penny Thompson Kruse on violin, will perform a free concert at KU on Friday, October 5, 2012, 7:30 PM, Swarthout Recital Hall. The duo will perform a variety of works, including “Montana Music: Fantasy on a Chorale Tune” by David Maslanka; “Silent Moon for Violin and Viola” and “Rumi Settings for Violin and Viola,” both by Augusta Read Thomas; “Dumka: Duo Concertante for Violin and Viola with Piano” by Rebecca Clarke; “Sieben Bagatellen” by Braxton Blake; and “Phantasy Trio for Violin, Viola, and Piano, Op. 36” by Thomas Dunhill. The duo will be assisted by Patricia Higdon on piano.

Both **David Neely**, director of orchestral activities, and **Joyce Castle**, professor of voice/opera, received excellent reviews in the October print edition of *Opera News*. Neely’s conducting is praised in the Des Moines Metro Opera’s productions of *Don Giovanni* and *Eugene Onegin*, and Castle is lauded for her work this past summer at Colorado’s Central City Opera.



The Midwest Double Reed Society and the University of Kansas present the **11th Annual Double Reed Festival** on October 13, 2012. This year’s festival features guest artists Nancy Ambrose King, oboe professor at the University of Michigan, and Martin

Kuuskmann, international bassoon soloist. Events open to the public include:

- Member Recital, 5:30 PM, 10/13/12, Swarthout Recital Hall
- Guest Artist Recital, 7:30 PM, 10/13/12, Swarthout Recital Hall (featuring King and Kuuskmann)



“For the past 40 years, Bob Foster has been the face of KU among band members across the globe. He has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of KU students during his tenure as a Jayhawk. What more appropriate way could there be to honor this dedicated and loyal gentleman?” – Robert Walzel, Dean of the KU School of Music

To honor Foster’s four decades of dedication to KU Bands (he was Director of Bands for 30 years starting in 1971), KU is establishing the **Robert Foster Band Scholarship**, an endowed scholarship fund that will provide long-term scholarship support to KU Band participants. The scholarship will allow students to devote more time to study and practice, and help attract students to KU Bands who might otherwise be unable to participate. To learn more or to make a donation, please contact Michael Arp at 785-832-7410 or marp@kuendowment.org.

The KU Symphonic Band and Chamber Winds will perform a concert at the Lied Center on October 17, 2012, 7:30 PM. This fall concert will feature the Chamber Winds performing Darius Milhaud's jazzy "La Création du Monde" and works by the Symphonic Band. Tickets are available at lied.ku.edu or 785-864-2787.

Erik Ralske, principal horn of the Metropolitan Opera, recently visited KU and performed a horn recital September 17 to a large audience in Swarthout Recital Hall. The attendees included the entire horn section of the Kansas City Symphony, KU students and faculty and high school students from Free State, Lawrence High, and various Kansas City area High Schools, students from West and Southwest Middle Schools, and more. Ralske and Professor Paul Stevens ended the program with a Beethoven piece for two horns and piano. Ralske and Professor Stevens also gave a master class entitled "Every Rung of the Ladder" on music careers and success for KU freshmen and sophomores. Twenty-five high school students from Shawnee Mission Northwest came to the event along with their band director, Ann Snead. The second master class of the day was also attended by the Shawnee Mission students, plus over a hundred brass and wind students who filled room 130 Murphy Hall.



Scott Murphy, associate professor of music theory, spent two days in residence at the University of Colorado in Boulder on September 24-25, lecturing on tonal-transformational biases in some music of Grieg, Mahler, and Richard Strauss, guest teaching a graduate seminar on rhythmic subtleties in Brahms's Double Concerto, and leading a discussion of Penderecki's opera *Paradise Lost*.



Kristee Haney, a doctoral student studying voice/opera with Professor Joyce Castle, performed this summer with the Music Academy of the West, and received the opportunity to perform with Carol Burnett. Haney worked privately with Ms. Burnett to prepare for her performance, and performed in a public master class with the actress. The photo to the left was taken backstage after a cabaret concert.



David von Kampen, a doctoral student in music composition, was selected as the 2012 winner of the National Band Association's Young Composer's Jazz Composition Contest. His composition, "Hodie Christus Natus Est," will be performed by the Army Blues jazz ensemble from the United States Army Band at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago this December. David has studied with Professors Dan Gailey, Forrest Pierce and James Barnes.

Carlos Espinosa, a doctoral orchestral conducting student studying with Professor David Neely, was assistant conductor to Peter Bay at the 2012 Hot Springs Festival and conducted a concert with the Taneycomo Festival Orchestra in June.

Hsun Lin, a PhD student in musicology studying with Professor Paul Laird, presented a paper entitled "*Wonderful Town*, A Playfully Subversive and Changing Symbol of National Identity in the McCarthy Era and Beyond" at the conference Song, Stage and Screen 7: The Musical's Global Conquest at the University of Groningen in the Netherlands in July 2012. This presentation was supported by a grant from the KU School of Music Student Opportunity Fund. In November Lin will present the paper "'New York, New York' in the Center of *On the Town*" at a musicological conference in Taiwan. Hsun Lin is writing a dissertation with Professor Paul Laird on Leonard Bernstein's musicals *On the Town* and *Wonderful Town*.

Jeremy Wohletz, a doctoral clarinet student studying with Professor Stephanie Zelnick, performed as a soloist at the International Clarinet Association ClarinetFest 2012 in Lincoln, Nebraska, in August.

The School of Music Ambassador's Club (SMAC) has three different shirt styles currently available for order. We are offering a Royal Blue short sleeve t-shirt with a white "Conducting Jay" screen printed on the front & large "KU" on the back for \$15, a black long sleeve crew neck sweatshirt with the white "Conducting Jay" screen printed on the front for \$25, and a Navy Blue polo shirt with a full color "Conducting Jay" embroidered on the front pocket area for \$30. The next order will be placed on Friday, October 5th. Stop by 460 Murphy to place a pre-paid order. Proceeds from the shirt sales support our School-wide activities.

SMAC is also continuing the popular "Get to Know You Thursdays" by providing treats & coffee on Thursday mornings in 460 Murphy. Each week, a person or event within the School of Music is featured.

Look for these upcoming events:

- Saturday, October 27th - Third Annual Family Day cookout in the Murphy Hall Courtyard. It is a great way to build the School of Music community by sharing hot dogs & veggie burgers with our students & their families. Time TBA
- Friday, November 9th - Murphy Hall Birthday Party will feature birthday cake & goodies in the hall outside 460 Murphy.

UPCOMING EVENTS! DON'T MISS...

Oct. 1 st	(M)	Visiting Artist Series/VAS Suzanne Tirk, clarinet 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 2 nd	(T)	Wind Ensemble 7:30 PM Lied Center Call 785-864-2787 or go to lied.ku.edu for tickets

Oct. 3 rd	(W)	Faculty Recital Series/FRS Michael Davidson, trombone 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 5 th	(F)	VAS Steve & Penny Kruse, violin & viola 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 11 th	(R)	KU Brass Ensembles 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 13 th	(Sat)	Double Reed Festival Member Recital 5:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 13 th	(Sat)	VAS Nancy Ambrose King, oboe & Martin Kuuskman, bassoon 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 16 th	(T)	FRS Julia Broxholm, soprano & Russell Miller, piano 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Swarthout Recital Hall Renovation Benefit Concert Donations Welcome
Oct. 17 th	(W)	Symphonic Band & Chamber Winds 7:30 PM Lied Center Call 785-864-2787 or go to lied.ku.edu for tickets
Oct. 21 st	(Sun)	Instrumental Collegium Musicum 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 22 nd	(M)	FRS Mary Elizabeth Thompson, flute 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 23 rd	(T)	KU Choirs 7:30 PM Corpus Christi Catholic Church Admission Free
Oct. 24 th	(W)	Jazz Combos I-VI 7:00 PM Lawrence Arts Center Admission Free

Oct. 26 th	(F)	KU Symphony Orchestra Halloween Concert 7:30 PM Lied Center Call 785-864-2787 or go to lied.ku.edu for tickets
Oct. 27 th	(Sat)	Community Music School 2:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 28 th	(Sun)	FRS Robert Walzel & Stephanie Zelnick, clarinet 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Oct. 29 th	(M)	Undergraduate Honor Recital 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 1 st	(R)	KU Jazz Ensemble I & Composer, George Stone 7:30 PM Lawrence Arts Center Admission Free
Nov. 2 nd	(F)	Wind Ensemble 7:30 PM Johnson County Community College Yardley Hall Call 913-469-4445 for ticket information
Nov. 3 rd	(Sat)	Community Music School 2:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 4 th	(Sun)	New Music Guild 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 7 th	(W)	KU Trombone Ensembles 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 8 th	(R)	KU Saxophone Quartets 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 12 th	(M)	FRS Forrest Pierce, composition 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free

- Nov. 13th (T) KU Symphony Orchestra & Choirs
Bernstein Festival & Scholarship Concert
7:00 PM Kauffman Center for the Arts
Admission Free but tickets are required
Call (816) 994-7222 for information
- Nov. 14th (W) KU Jazz Ensemble III & Jazz Combo II
7:30 PM 130 Murphy Hall
Admission Free
- Nov. 15th (R) KU Tuba/Euphonium Consort
Rodger Vaughan Memorial Concert
7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall
Admission Free
- Nov. 16th (F) KU Opera: Trouble in Tahiti & Arias & Barcarolles
7:30 PM Baustian Theatre
\$10 general admission and \$5/students and seniors
Call 785-864-3436 for ticket information
- Nov. 17th (Sat) KU Opera: Trouble in Tahiti & Arias & Barcarolles
7:30 PM Baustian Theatre
\$10 general admission and \$5/students and seniors
Call 785-864-3436 for ticket information
- Nov. 18th (Sun) KU Opera: Trouble in Tahiti & Arias & Barcarolles
2:30 PM Baustian Theatre
\$10 general admission and \$5/students and seniors
Call 785-864-3436 for ticket information
- Nov. 18th (Sun) Faculty Virtuosi Series
7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall
Admission Free
- Nov. 19th (M) KU Opera: Trouble in Tahiti & Arias & Barcarolles
7:30 PM Baustian Theatre
\$10 general admission and \$5/students and seniors
Call 785-864-3436 for ticket information
- Nov. 19th (M) KU Jazz Singers & Jazz Combo I
7:30 PM Lawrence Arts Center
Admission Free
- Nov. 27th (T) Symphonic Band & University Band
7:30 PM Lied Center
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Nov. 28 th	(W)	KU Trombone Choir 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free
Nov. 30 th	(F)	KU Percussion Ensemble 7:30 PM Swarthout Recital Hall Admission Free