



MANKATO SCHOOL OF MUSIC

February 2022

Director's Note

As our music family at the Mankato School of Music continues to expand, recitals have become so much more colorful with the added variety of instruments, students, and new teachers.

That variety is just one of the reasons why recitals are such amazing opportunities. Recitals also help us demonstrate the skills we have been working to achieve in our private lessons while helping us develop confidence and poise on the stage. Part of our mission statement at MSOM is to encourage our students to share their gifts within the community they live in! Every time you perform you make yourself more comfortable with sharing those talents in exactly that way!

Remember, at the recital it's not about how WELL you play. It's the fact that you played! Your teachers here at MSOM are so proud of you for being brave & playing whenever you sign up to participate!

Hope to see ALL of you at our spring recitals in April! Check the dates on the online calendar and get those in your schedule as soon as you can!



Mary Flanagan
Executive Director, MSOM



Student Spotlight

Jonathan Makela

How long have you been taking lessons?

---I've been taking lessons for approximately 3 years.

What is your favorite part of lessons?

--My favorite part of lessons is finishing a music piece; I feel a sense of accomplishment!

What is your favorite type of music to play?

---My favorite type of music to play is something I can play with other people like with my older sister who plays the piano.

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything."

-Plato

Teacher Feature

Kathleen Goedtke

What is your hometown?

---Herman, MN

What is the most rewarding part of teaching for you?

---The most rewarding part of teaching is the joy each student gives me with their personality and eagerness. It also brings me joy when a student is rewarded and motivated because of their hard work and application of what they are being taught.

What is your favorite type of music to play?

---I enjoy playing classical music, praise and worship, and Lori Line.

How long have you been teaching?

---I have been teaching for 34 years

What is a fun fact about yourself?

---My favorite colors are lavender and blue. I enjoy the outdoors, hiking, and camping in a tent.



Spring Recitals

All **Mankato** recitals will be held at Belgrade Methodist Church in North Mankato on:

Friday, April 22nd at 7:30

Saturday, April 23rd at 2:30, 4:30, and 7:30

Sunday, April 24th at 2:30, 4:30, and 7:30

The **Madelia** recital will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on:

Saturday, April 23rd at 1:00pm

The **Blue Earth** recital will be held at The Ten Talents Center for the Arts on:

Thursday, April 28th at 7:30pm

The **Henderson** recital will be held on:

Wednesday, April 20th at 7:00pm

The **Mountain Lake** recital will be held on:

Monday, April 25th at 5:30pm

Violin Group Classes!

All classes held at MSOM Mankato Location

Beginner violin group class: *Tuesdays 4:30-5:15pm*

Fiddle group class: *first two Thursdays a month 6:30-7:20*

Intermediate violin group class: *Saturdays 9:30-10:15am*

Advanced violin group class: *Saturdays 10:15-11:00am*



Silent Auction, Lively Music Event

Sunday, March 6th at 4:00-7:00pm

Location: St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

423 W 7th St, Mankato

Featuring MSOM area alumni, the BullyPulpit Bluegrass Band and any students who wish to perform and share their gifts. All proceeds will go to the MSOM's scholarship fund.

Sign-up to bring a gift basket today!



Thank you to everyone who participated in the January recitals!

