Heartstrings Program

The two branches of our Heartstrings Program ensure that everyone has access to quality music education regardless of age, ability, or financial resources. Need-based *Tuition Assistance* is available to all students. There is no paperwork required, simply tell our registrar that you cannot afford the full cost of a program. The *Musical Instrument Bank* provides low-cost instrument rentals to families who are unable to purchase or rent an instrument through traditional methods. Instruments are made available on a sliding scale, as low as \$5 a month (subject to instrument availability).

Private & Semi-private Lessons - Traditional and Suzuki Method

Lessons provided by RMCMA faculty members on virtually all instruments and voice. Visit COmusic.org/about-us/faculty/ for more information about our faculty. Tuition for private lessons: \$27 for 30 minutes, \$37 for 45 minutes, and \$50 for 60 minutes. Semi-private lessons may be taken in groups of two to four students of similar ability. Tuition for semi-private lessons (split between participants): \$45 for 45 minutes or \$55 for 60 minutes.

Early Childhood

See also Meet the Instruments Camp, and Dalcroze Eurhythmics.

Music Together®

Ages: Birth-5 (with Caregiver) Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Wednesdays, June 5 – July 17 (no class July 3)

Time: 9:15am-10:00am or 10:15am-11:00am

Instructor: Dar Zerwekh Reardon

Tuition: \$110 (Sibling \$70)

Music Together® is an internationally recognized, research based, early childhood program for toddlers, preschoolers, and the adults who love them. Participants experience songs, rhythmic rhymes, movement, and instrument play.

Suzuki Violin Camp - Younger Players

Ages: 3-6 (with Caregiver) Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday – Friday, June 17 – June 21

Time: 11:00am-12:00noon

Instructors: Kat Fritz, Sarah Murray

Tuition: \$70

Sing, dance, explore rhythm and pitch... and play the violin! Developmentally appropriate activities provide a solid foundation for the budding musician. Violins may be rented from RMCMA, pending availability.

Meet the Instruments Class

Ages: 4-6 (with Caregiver)
Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 9 – July 18

Time: 10:00am-10:45am Instructor: James Cline

Tuition: \$60

Explore woodwind, brass, percussion, string, and keyboard instruments with various RMCMA faculty members. Each class will feature a different instrument "family." Students will see it, hear it, and have the opportunity to play it!

Elementary School

See also RMCMA Goes to Broadway, and Suzuki Violin Camp – Younger Players.

Meet the Instruments Camp

Ages: 4-6 (with Caregiver) & 7-9 Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Thursday, June 3 - June 6

Time: 9:00am-12:00noon Instructor: James Cline

Tuition: \$150

Campers will learn about woodwind, brass, percussion, string, and keyboard instruments through exciting hands-on activities. Explore the connection between music and visual art through creative play, including an art project and drumming workshop. Each day will feature a short performance by RMCMA faculty members. Students will have the opportunity to see, hear, and play each instrument!

Bluegrass Camp for Kids

Ages: 8-16

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday – Thursday, June 10 – June 14

Time: 9:00am-12:00noon

Instructor: Mike Finders, Ryan Drickey

Tuition: \$200

How to solo, backup, and jam! This class is for budding musicians who want to learn how to jam bluegrass style in a fun and energetic setting. All bluegrass instruments

are welcome: violin/fiddle, guitar, banjo, mandolin, and bass. All students will have the opportunity to sing and learn about the history of bluegrass.

Suzuki Violin Camp a la France

Ages: 6-10

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday – Friday, June 17 – June 21

Time: 9:00am-12:00noon

Instructors: Kat Fritz, Sarah Murray

Tuition: \$200

Learn the violin or viola through the Suzuki Method and celebrate the rich culture of France through music, art, and games. While this camp is beginner friendly, all skill levels will be accommodated. A friends and family concert during the last session will wrap up our musical journey.

Dalcroze Eurhythmics - Introductory class

Ages: 4-7

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday – Friday, June 17 – June 21 or July 22 – July 26 Time: June session, 1:00pm-2:00pm. July session, 9:00am-10:00am

Instructor: Katie Couch

Tuition: \$60

Dalcroze Education is a unique and powerful foundation in music in which theory always follows practice. Musical concepts are felt intuitively in the body before the process of cognitive analysis begins. Concepts are explored through social, interactive, and experiential methods that invite students to trust their ideas, develop their own intuition, and create a meaningful musical vocabulary. This class is an introduction to our year-long programs that begin at the end of August. *Presented in collaboration with Dalcroze School of the Rockies.*

Kids Fiddle Camp

Ages: 8-16

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Friday, June 24 - June 28

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm Instructor: Annie Savage

Tuition: \$150

Designed for beginning and intermediate string players who want to learn how to jam bluegrass, Celtic, and old-time styles in a group setting. Students will be introduced to the unique techniques of jamming and improvising. All string players are welcome: fiddle/violin, viola, cello, and bass.

Meet the Instruments Class

Ages: 7-9

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 9 – July 18

Time: 11:00am-11:45am Instructor: James Cline

Tuition: \$60

Explore woodwind, brass, percussion, string, and keyboard instruments with various RMCMA faculty members. Each class will feature a different instrument "family." Students will see it, hear it, and have the opportunity to play it!

Middle/High School

See also Bluegrass Camp for Kids, Kids Fiddle Camp, RMCMA Jazz Combos and Ensemble, and Ukulele Social Club.

Learn to Jam - Bluegrass Style

Ages: Middle School & Up Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Tuesdays, Beginning June 4

Time: 5:00pm-6:30pm

Instructor: Annie Savage, Mike Finders, and guests Tuition: \$20/\$15 for additional family members

Led by professional players, this class will explore improvisation, chord use and comprehension, and performing within a safe and encouraging environment. All bluegrass instruments are welcome: violin/fiddle, guitar, banjo, mandolin, and bass.

Folk Songwriting Camp

Ages: 11-18

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Friday, June 10 - June 14

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm Instructor: Mike Finders

Tuition: \$150

Learn techniques for starting and finishing your own songs, building and participating in a supportive community, and arranging and performing your song. Campers will go through the writing processes of drafting, revising, and performing. Bring your instrument if you play one. The last class will include a friends and family performance.

Flute Class Ages: 10-13

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 4 – July 11 (no class July 4)

Time: 2:00pm-3:45pm Instructor: Ysmael Reyes

Tuition: \$125

For flute students who have up to two years of instruction and want to improve their general playing and music reading abilities, this class will work on fundamentals such as breathing, tone, breath control, articulation, and fingering. Students will also develop ensemble playing in small group settings. Emphasis will be placed on helping students feel more comfortable and confident should they decide to join their school band.

RMCMA Goes to Broadway

Ages: 8-12, 13-17

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Friday, July 1 - July 12 (no class July 4 & 5)

Time: 1:30pm-4:30pm

Instructors: Faye Nepon, Rachel Fetler

Tuition: \$270

Explore a wide variety of scenes from the musical stage! We will learn and perform songs and group numbers from your favorite Broadway shows. This camp culminates with the excitement of a live performance for family and friends on Friday evening, 7pm.

Harp Camp

Ages: 9-15 (at least one year of harp lessons required)

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Friday, July 8 - July 12

Time: 9:30am-12:30pm Instructor: Carolyn Kuban

Tuition: \$250

Beginning and intermediate harp students will be coached in both ensemble and solo formats. Participants will learn about composing for the harp as well as learning rhythms and counting through drumming. Tuition includes a masterclass and short performance by CMF and Chicago Lyric Opera Principal Harpist, Marguerite Lynn Williams. The final day will feature a performance by students and Mrs. Kuban. Harp rentals may be available.

Jumpstart to Middle School Band

Ages: Rising 6th Graders Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday - Friday, July 15 - July 19

Time: Woodwinds & Percussion –10:00am-11:00am, Brass – 11:15am-12:15pm. Friday – joint rehearsal 11:00am-12:30pm, bring a lunch, Concert at 2:00pm

Instructor: Jennifer Dunn

Tuition: \$60

Did you enjoy 5th grade instrumental music and want to be sure you're prepared for middle school band? Hone the musical skills you will need to make the transition with a BVSD music educator. Monday through Thursday we meet in sections for more personalized instruction. On Friday we join together for a full rehearsal and concert for family and friends. Ice cream social included!

Flute, Yoga, Music, and Movement Intensive

Ages: 13-17

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette, CO

Days/Date: Monday - Thursday, July 15 - July 18

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Instructor: Emma Shubin, Laura Dwyer

Tuition: \$200

Learn to use your body to support and enhance your flute technique. Discover alternative methods for easing performance anxiety. This class for intermediate and advanced students is taught by RMCMA flute instructor, Emma Shubin and CMF flutist and certified yoga instructor, Laura Dwyer.

C's Jazz - Blues and Beyond

Ages: Middle/High School Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Monday and Tuesday, July 22 & 23

Time: Monday, 1:00pm-4:00pm. Tuesday, 10:30am-12:30pm

Instructor: Steve Christopher

Tuition: \$60

Beginning and intermediate jazz combo workshop for most winds, strings, guitar and piano. Includes a special coaching session with members of **Chris Brubeck's Triple Play.** Individual musicians and pre-formed combos may attend.

Adults

See also Learn to Jam Bluegrass Style.

Ukulele Social Club

Ages: High School & Up Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Thursdays, June 6 – July 18 (no class July 4)

Time: 5:45pm-7:15pm

Instructor: Sarah Goodroad

Tuition: \$80

The ukulele is quickly becoming one of the most popular instruments among amateur musicians. Whether you are a novice or a pro, you can join friends and neighbors to make music together. Each session includes both group instruction and playing time. Bring your own uke or rent one from RMCMA (availability varies).

RMCMA Jazz Combos

Ages: High school & Up Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Beginning – Mondays, June 17 – July 22. Advanced – Wednesdays, June 12 – July 17

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Instructor: Steve Christopher

Tuition: \$80

The combo setting provides for an in-depth study of jazz improvisation. Combos will be formed based on experience and ability. Auditions necessary for new members. Both combos and the ensemble will present a concert on July 24.

RMCMA Jazz Ensemble

Ages: High School & Up Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Wednesdays, June 12 – July 17

Time: 7:00pm-8:30pm

Instructor: Steve Christopher

Tuition: \$80

This large group will explore all forms of jazz with an emphasis on improvisation. Depending on instrumentation, the group will play standard jazz charts and/or use fake book material. Participants should have some background in jazz ensemble playing. Both combos and the ensemble will present a concert on July 24.

Folk Songwriting Workshop

Ages: Adult

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Saturday, June 15 Time: 10:00am-1:00pm Instructor: Mike Finders

Tuition: \$40

Three hours of songwriting in a supportive group environment is an excellent way to finish up a song or jumpstart a new one. Participants who have never written a song will learn techniques and tricks to get started. In this participatory workshop, some of the best ideas and feedback come from other writers.

Broadway Boomers

Ages: 45 & Up

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Tuesdays, July 2 – July 23 or Thursdays, June 27 – July 25

(no class July 4)

Time: 6:30pm-9:00pm Instructor: Faye Nepon

Tuition: \$130

Explore great musical theater, honing individual and team skills. Whether you have sung opera, musical theater, jazz, or prefer vocalizing in the shower, you will receive expert guidance and support as you perform solos, duets, trios, and group numbers. Open showcase at the final class.

Community Play-in Prep Rehearsals

Ages: 15 & Up

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette

Days/Date: Sundays, July 14 and July 21

Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm
Instructor: Jennifer Dunn

Tuition: \$10/each or \$15 for both

Would you like to get more out of the Community Play-in with Maestro Christie? The Play-in preparatory rehearsals will familiarize you with the repertoire so that you are more knowledgeable about your part before sitting on stage under the Maestro's baton.

Community Play-in

Ages: 15 & Up

Location: Chautauqua Auditorium, Boulder

Days/Date: Sunday, July 28 Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm Instructor: Michael Christie

Tuition: FREE

Join CMF Music Director, Michael Christie, on stage at Chautauqua Auditorium for an informal rehearsal/performance of Dvořák's New World Symphony. Music is available through IMSLP.org for easy access. Dust off your instrument, join in the fun, and invite your family and friends to listen! Registration required.

Special Opportunities

Brazilian Guitar Quartet Workshop

Ages: all

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Tuesday, July 9 Time: 10:30am-12:30pm

Instructor: Members of the Brazilian Guitar Quartet

Tuition: \$15/person

Members of the Brazilian Guitar Quartet will coach students on guitar technique. They will also discuss and demonstrate performance skills.

Harp Masterclass

Ages: All

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Tuesday, July 9 Time: 11:00am-12:30pm

Tuition: FREE

Watch and learn as CMF and Chicago Lyric Opera Principal Harpist, Marguerite Lynn Williams, coaches students from our Harp Camp. The session will also include a mini performance by Ms. Williams.

Triple Play Workshop

Ages: All

Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Tuesday, July 23 Time: 10:30am-12:30pm Instructor: Chris Brubeck Tuition: \$15/person

Join jazz legend Chris Brubeck and other members of **Triple Play** in a workshop for pre-formed ensembles, including groups from C's Jazz in the Summer. Musicians will be coached on jazz fundamentals and improvisation techniques.

Concerts

Family Fun Concerts

Ages: 4-7

Family Fun Concerts give younger children a chance to meet different sections of the orchestra. Small ensembles perform short, informal, 45-minute musical programs. Meet the musicians and their instruments following each performance.

Strings: Alien's Return to the String Quartet

Location: Chautauqua Auditorium, Boulder

Days/Date: Friday, July 12

Time: 2:00pm Price: \$5 Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Tuesday, July 2

Time: 10:00am Price: **FREE**

The string quartet will guide its alien friend through a concert filled with music from around the world. The musical odyssey of the quartet's repertoire enraptures young, old, and even aliens with its incredible variety and fascinating way of making music.

Woodwinds: Ferdinand the Bull

Location: Chautauqua Auditorium, Boulder

Days/Date: Friday, July 26

Time: 2:00pm Price: \$5 Location: RMCMA, Lafayette Days/Date: Tuesday, July 30

Time: 10:00am Price: **FREE**

The story of the little bull who preferred smelling flowers to fighting matadors comes to musical life in this evocative setting of Munro Leaf's book by composer Mark Fish. Fish's music presents the fury of the bull ring, the frenzy of the crowd, and the serenity of Ferdinand's favorite cork tree.