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NEWS AT CCM

Music Achievement Program Super Achievers

Our MAP achievers this year deserve to be called super! Despite all the obstacles, they practiced, performed, collaborated, and put in that extra effort to learn more about music. With each MAP activity completed, they owned their musical progress. We celebrated their yearlong efforts outdoors at CCM with delicious ice cream cake.

“ I continue to be impressed with CCM's professionalism, flexibility, and creative solutions during this challenging year. The MAP program continued as did the dedication, support, and enthusiasm of the entire staff. There was always an ample selection of workshops to choose from which piqued both my daughters' different interests. I can't thank CCM enough for the wonderful foundation in music they have provided for my entire family. ”

- CCM parent Angela Lipson



MAP achievers completed monthly practice challenges, improved their understanding of theory in workshops, expanded their skills with musicales, and presented polish recital performances. They raised their knowledge within the MAP activity buckets: Music History, American Music, Singing & Movement, and Instrument Exploration. They truly earned their Music Achievement Program

certificate and our praise.

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FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: PAOLA CABALLERO

Welcome Paola Caballero

After decades of performing in and around Barcelona, [Paola Caballero](#) now calls Massachusetts her home. We're happy to extend a warm welcome to Paola as she joins the CCM violin faculty.

She comes to CCM with extensive teaching experience. In addition to teaching private violin lessons, she'll be coaching chamber music ensembles at CCM. Paola says her main goal for her students is for them to enjoy their music! She says, "I want to introduce my students to many different genres, and more importantly, to what's relevant and diverse now."



Can you imagine performing with the likes of Michael Buble and Andrea Bocelli? Yes, Paola has done that too. The long list of professional musicians she's performed with is quite impressive and includes some familiar names such as Chaka Khan, Madeleine Peyroux, Antony, and the Johnsons, Bjork, Joni

Mitchell, and Plácido Domingo.

Aside from numerous tours around Europe's finest concert halls with both Orquestra de Cadaques and Orquestra de Barcelona, Paola has made numerous recordings with both ensembles and can be seen on Medici.TV, one of the world's leading classical music streaming platforms.

As a chamber musician, Paola has collaborated with the highly acclaimed Barcelona-based contemporary group 'BCN 216' and founded the Barcelona Arts Quartet, a group dedicated to the performance of new music.



Paola can be seen performing with the Grammy Award-winning Boston Modern Orchestra Project (BMOP/sound), Odyssey Opera, Boston Philharmonic Orchestra, Boston Ballet, and the Bach, Beethoven, and Brahms Society. She will be the featured artist and the Boston Public Quartet to record and perform for the Florence Price Festival later in August.

Aside from all her music activities this summer and despite her busy schedule, she just started playing soccer again and hopes to make time for sail racing, which she loves!

[Get to know Paola today](#) and [learn how you can participate in a chamber ensemble!](#)



15 WAYS TO ENJOY MUSIC THIS SUMMER

Why 15? Because we're so excited to honor our 15th anniversary, and we want to keep the music going through the summer!

1. Live music outdoors! The deCordova Sculpture Park & Museum in Lincoln presents their [Summer Picnic Nights](#). Pack your dinner and get ready for great music by groups such as [Eleanor & the Tasties](#) and Somerville's [Ways & Means Committee](#). [Tickets and details](#)
2. Any night can be game night. Try [SongPop 2- Guess The Song](#) from Fresh Planet Inc., [Name That Tune - 2000s](#), [Guess The Disney Songs](#), or play [Guess that Movie Theme](#), all on YouTube. Or, ask Alexa or Google to play a name that tune game while getting ready for dinner or make dinner time fun.
3. Head west into Worcester for two family concerts presented by the Massachusetts Symphony Orchestra—[Salute to Disney and Jazz in the Park: Celebrating Great African-American Composers](#).

4. Conquer the **30-Day Classical Music Challenge!** Create a list of 30 beautiful and impressive classical pieces for the family to listen to for 30 days. Plan to discuss the composer and everyone's feelings about the piece. Here are [10 Iconic Pieces of Classical Music](#) to get you started.



5. Plan for a weekend of traditional and cutting-edge bluegrass at the [FreshGrass Music Festival North Adams](#) at MASS MoCA on September 24-26, 2021. FreshGrass is family-friendly and brimming with the brightest talent not just on our four stages, but also in our galleries, brick-lined courtyards, and grassy fields. Featuring Dispatch (acoustic), Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue, Béla Fleck My Bluegrass Heart featuring Michael Cleveland, Sierra Hull, Justin Moses, Mark Schatz, and Bryan Sutton, Watchouse, Sarah Jarosz, and many more!

6. Sing your heart out! Plan a karaoke night with family and friends. [Here's the way to throw the best DIY backyard karaoke party!](#)



7. [Brush up on music theory and improve your ear training.](#) Deepen your music and musicianship skills during the summer to jumpstart your fall lessons. Let us help you with your summer schedule.

8. For the young ones, here's the happy song playlist that you'll enjoy too! [18 Songs for a Rockin' Dance Party With Your Kids](#) by Kelly Homes (*Happy You, Happy Family*)



Introduce them to cheery and lively songs from Ingrid Michaelson, Justin Timberlake, and others to get them dancing and happy!

9. End your weekends with music in Jamaica Plain. Take a stroll around the area, feast at one of the great local eateries, then enjoy a free outdoor concert. The [summer](#)

[concert series at the Eliot Schoolyard](#) (Sunday afternoons at 4 pm) features a wide range of artists playing everything from jazz to hip hop, harp to a Caribbean steel drum.

10. The ideal spot to enjoy music with the most beautiful view--the [Fruitlands Museum](#) in Harvard, Massachusetts. The [Concord Band](#) returns to its summer stage to perform timeless pieces, including show tunes and songs with historical significance.

11. Is it time to upgrade to a music streaming service? It's a terrific way to discover new music and genres and save time by choosing premade playlists. The ever-reliable [Consumer Reports](#) provides their opinion about [which service to get](#).

12. Once again, you can experience the indoor concert scene. Both [City Winery Boston](#) and Arlington's [Regent Theatre](#) are offering summer concerts. If you're a Beatles fan don't miss the [Paul McCartney tribute](#) on Saturday, June 19th.



13. [Learn the ukulele](#)—fun, versatile, and the instrument of choice when sitting around the campfire!

14. Plan to give back with your music with an outdoor performance for seniors or for anyone who might need cheering up. Be spontaneous and surprise your neighbor with beautiful music!



15. [Plan for the fall](#) and make sure music is included. It's time to choose your instrument!

Bonus summer resources:

[Help Your Students Practice This Summer](#) (*the music educator blog*)

[Summer Activities for the Youngest Music Lovers](#) (by Sara Mullett)

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