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### **News at CCM**

**You gave her a strong start.**



**Learning to play an instrument can change the trajectory of a child's life.**

At the Concord Conservatory of Music, good habits begin early—our students start as early as four and ve-year-old. They get this strong start because of you.

Gabriela is just six-years-old, but she's already a dedicated student, practicing her violin every day. I could see her con dence as she performed at her rst recital last month, and her pride!

As a supporter of CCM, you help our students take part in classes that build con dence. Your generosity allows kids to have fun with friends while learning to hear the melody, read notes, and count rhythms.

You and our community of supporters make experiences like these possible: through nancial aid that provides lessons for students who couldn't access them otherwise and through top-tier musicians who lead our ensembles and encourage our kids.

Will you help introduce the world of music to students like Gabriela? You make the difference.

Thank you!

**For everyone! Register for fall group classes at Concord Conservatory and save!**



For one day only, on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, CCM will offer students a 15% discount on their group class tuition. One must register on June 7<sup>th</sup> to receive the discount!

Whether you are interested in a group instrument class, chorus for your child, or a beginner bluegrass class for yourself, CCM has a fun group class for your entire family.

Now is the ideal time to plan your family's music experience for the fall. The 15% discount applies to all group classes, including the Concord Youth Chorus, Hand Drumming for Kids, Beginner Vocals, Group Keyboard, Guitar Classes, Fiddling and more—all classes that provide an exceptional learning and social experience for children. Adults interested in taking a hand drumming, piano, singing, ukulele, and even bluegrass class, should register on June 7<sup>th</sup> to take advantage of this offer.



Coming to CCM in the Fall—Bluegrass & Old-Time Classes and Jam Sessions

Upbeat and fun music is coming to CCM! Fiddle, guitar, mandolin, bass, or banjo musicians will soon have Bluegrass and Old-Time class and jam sessions right here in Concord. All levels are welcome.

## **Student Spotlight**



We are proud to announce one of our CCM very talented students, Shivam Garg, is the winner of a Milton Young Musicians Festival Gold Medal for the cello. In addition to learning and performing *Minuet in G* by Beethoven, Shivam was expected to have learned all the scales for his level and instrument. Shivam, 11 ½ years-old, has been playing the cello for three years now and studies with Fabrizio Mazzetta at CCM.

“Shivam has demonstrated constant dedication to cello playing throughout the year leading to a more than well-deserved Gold Medal Award while competing at the Milton Young Musician Festival”, says Mazzetta. “Additional gratitude toward CCM for having given us the opportunity to meet and work together!”

The Milton Young Musicians Festival is open to students in Grades 6-12 who take private lessons for a host of instruments. The Festival began on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and then followed with the Gold Medal Concert on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, which Shivam was invited to participate in due to his excellent performance the day before. The Gold Medal Concert was free and open to the public. Shivam’s mother, Pooja Garg, mentioned that it was an amazing opportunity for Shivam and a great Mother’s Day present.

**Why Music Matters...**

## Transformative Power of Classical Music by Benjamin Zander



[“Benjamin Zander has two infectious passions: classical music, and helping us all realize our untapped love for it — and by extension, our untapped love for all new possibilities, new experiences, new connections.”](#)

### Did you know?



TIME Magazine shares a map they formulated that shows which music genres are most popular around the world—[take a look>>](#)

[Want to know the most popular music genre in our state? According to Digital Music News:](#)

### Upcoming Area Performances



Saturday, June 17, 2017 from 2:00 pm – 10:00 pm—Calling All Musicians! 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Make Music Harvard Square / Fete de la Musique will hit the streets of the Square. All genres welcome. Sets begin on the hour and run 45 minutes. Limited electricity is available. If you would like to participate, send an email to Bill Manley, Events Manager, at [wmanley@harvardsquare.com](mailto:wmanley@harvardsquare.com). Or, simply plan to attend and enjoy the music!

Sunday, June 25 at 3:00 pm—Multi-platinum international music sensation, Celtic Woman perform at the Lynn Auditorium, Lynn, MA. Their new album, *Voices of Angels*, contain some of the most popular songs from the Celtic Woman repertoire, along with several previously unrecorded tracks, all with stunning new orchestral arrangements recorded with the 72-piece Orchestra of Ireland. Celtic Woman has a remarkable 12- year-legacy of introducing the most talented singers and musicians from Ireland onto the world stage. Ticket price range: \$39 - \$69. For tickets: <http://www.lynnauditorium.com/shows/celtic/>