

MSU MUSIC SEASON

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DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC



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MSU DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Welcome to the Department of Music at Mississippi State University!

Mississippi State University is a comprehensive land grant institution ranked by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as a Very-High Research Activity University and is a member of the Southeastern Conference (SEC). The Department of Music is a part of the College of Education and is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). The department is proud of a new \$21 million state-of-the-art, 37,000-square-foot music facility that complements the Sills Band Hall. This complex includes classrooms, a choral rehearsal hall, faculty offices, sound-proof practice rooms, a recording studio, a recital hall, a student lounge, and an administrative suite.

The Department of Music is comprised of multiple interrelated areas of study that include Band, Brass, Choir, Collaborative Piano, Music Education, Music History, Music Theory, Orchestra, Percussion, Piano, Strings, Vocal, World Music, and Woodwind Studies. Students in MSU's Department of Music have access to dedicated faculty and excellent ensembles at a world-class research university. The department offers the following degrees: Bachelor of Arts in Music, Bachelor of Music in Performance, Bachelor of Music Education, and Master of Music Education.

Our faculty members are nationally recognized scholars and artists, and they are strongly committed to fostering student learning and academic achievement. Our unique student-to-faculty-professional musician ratio ensures each student the individual attention desired in a professional setting.





PAST, PRESENT, & FUTURE OF MSU MUSIC

The MSU Department of Music Head, Dr. Daniel Stevens, and the MSU Foundation respectfully request your consideration to help MSU meet annual artistic and academic budgets, build endowment funds for scholarships and faculty professional development, and ensure music continues to serve the greater Starkville community for many years to come. Underwriting support, estate gifts, direct donation, stock transfer, and ticket purchases are all welcome and appreciated.

Concert Underwriting

More than 80 annual public events need underwriting support for artistic excellence. Supporting funds build the music performance library, provide technology to complement concerts, create engaging print media, and provide quality instruments on stage. Events can be underwritten for \$1,000-\$30,000 based upon the scope of each event, and support can be directed by the donor toward a solo artist recital, studio concert, or ensemble (band, choir, opera, or orchestra).

Steinway Initiative

In addition to a new beautiful facility, the MSU Department of Music is proud to be a rising All-Steinway School. While many new pianos have been donated to the program by generous donors, we continue to seek sponsors to provide new pianos to replace some of the aging inventory, continue to fill additional practice rooms with new upright pianos, and build an endowment for annual repair and piano tuning. A gift at any unrestricted level that goes into this fund is greatly appreciated.

Student Scholarships

Through direct one-time support or endowed funds, scholarships are integral to attracting the finest student musicians. Scholarships are needed by the Department of Music to support 150+ Music Majors and professional development opportunities for students, as seen through performance travel and peer-reviewed publication and presentation at national conferences. In addition, ensembles at MSU, including four choirs (Cantaré, Opus, Schola Cantorum, State Singers), the Famous Maroon Band, four Wind Ensembles, Jazz Band, Opera, Orchestras, and numerous Studio Ensembles provide performance opportunities for 1,000+ student musicians on the MSU campus. Student scholarships from these ensembles support students in every college on the Starkville campus, in nearly every available major. Direct scholarships from \$100-\$20,000, or endowments at \$25,000+ are integral in making MSU a premier music program.

Faculty, Program, and Endowments

For donors that are able to envision with us on a larger scale, endowments are needed to secure the longevity of the MSU Music program. Endowment opportunities are available to provide for: market-competitive salaries for tenure track faculty lines, recurring applied studio and ensemble needs, and music facility capital needs.

Building Naming Rights

A cornerstone commitment for the new music building can bring with it a special opportunity to name the facility. Donors may also name specific featured areas in honor or in memory of family members, friends, or mentors. All naming commitments are payable over a five-year period.

For gift assistance at any level, contact the College of Education Director of Development at **662-325-3717** or visit **www.educ.msstate.edu/development**.





PERFORMANCE VENUES



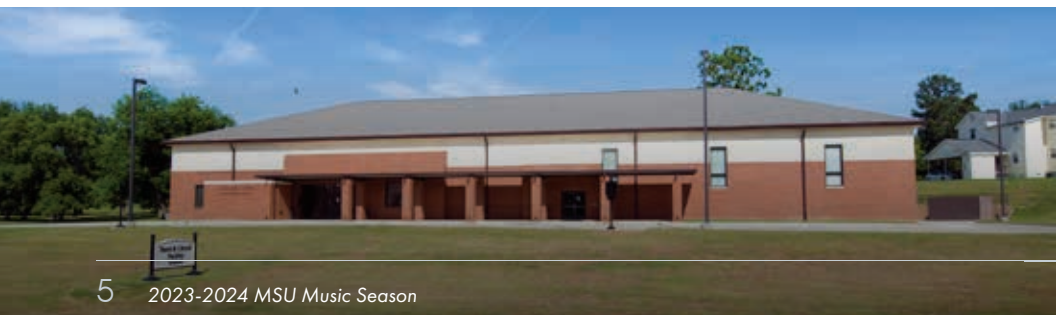
Music Building

124 Hardy Road,
Mississippi State, MS 39762



Sills Band Hall

72 Hardy Road,
Mississippi State, MS 39762





McComas Hall

**216 Presidents Circle,
Mississippi State, MS 39762**



Bettersworth Auditorium

**262 Lee Boulevard,
Mississippi State, MS 39762**



First Baptist Church of Starkville

**106 East Lampkin Street,
Starkville, MS 39759**

For directions to each of these performance locations, please visit tinyurl.com/544xcd58





BANDS

Fall Concert

Wind Ensemble

Oct. 5, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

This concert features the top woodwind, brass, and percussion students in the university band program. The performance will showcase both fall concert ensembles and will include the finest new literature available for the wind ensemble as well as traditional masterpieces from the past. The program will feature works by African American composer, Kevin Day, and Mississippi resident, Julie Giroux. Additionally, a dramatic work originally written in the early 20th century by Gabriel Pares for the French Orchestra de la Garde Republicaine will be included. Of course, both bands will perform an American march, a staple for the wind band repertoire.

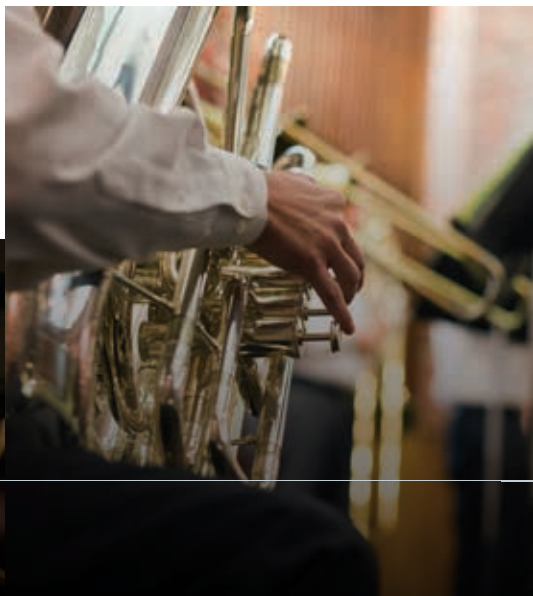
Fall Concert

Wind Ensemble and Dr. Blake Ryall, tuba

Nov. 2, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

This concert will be the second in the fall concert series and will feature both fall concert bands. The performance will include a variety of compositional styles and textures including a rhapsody of seafaring themes written by Haydn Wood, a contemporary fanfare, and a concerto for tuba featuring MSU Department of Music faculty member, Dr. Blake Ryall.



Honor Band Featured Guest Ensembles

Ocean Springs High School Wind Symphony and Alabama Winds

Jan. 25, 2024 | 6 p.m.

Bettsworth Auditorium

The MSU 2024 Honor Band Clinic will open with a performance by the Ocean Springs High School Wind Symphony. The Ocean Springs High School band program is recognized as one of the finest high school band programs in Mississippi. The Wind Symphony is the premier performing organization of the Ocean Springs band program and has a rich history of being identified as one of the truly outstanding high school concert bands in the region. The Alabama Winds is an all-adult community wind band based in Alabaster, Alabama and is comprised primarily of practicing music educators residing throughout the state of Alabama. The mission of the Alabama Winds is to foster and promote the appreciation of high-quality wind band music through performances of artistic merit for audience members, residents of the state of Alabama, and the members of the ensemble.

Winter Concert

Wind Ensemble

Jan. 26, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettsworth Auditorium

The annual Honor Band Clinic activities will include a concert by the Wind Ensemble, the top student ensemble in the MSU band program, as they perform something old, something borrowed, and something new. Repertoire will include recent commissions of new works for the wind band as well as literature transcribed from other sources. The performance will showcase student talent represented in the Maroon Band from across numerous disciplines on campus. Audience members will include those participating in the annual MSU Honor Band Clinic.

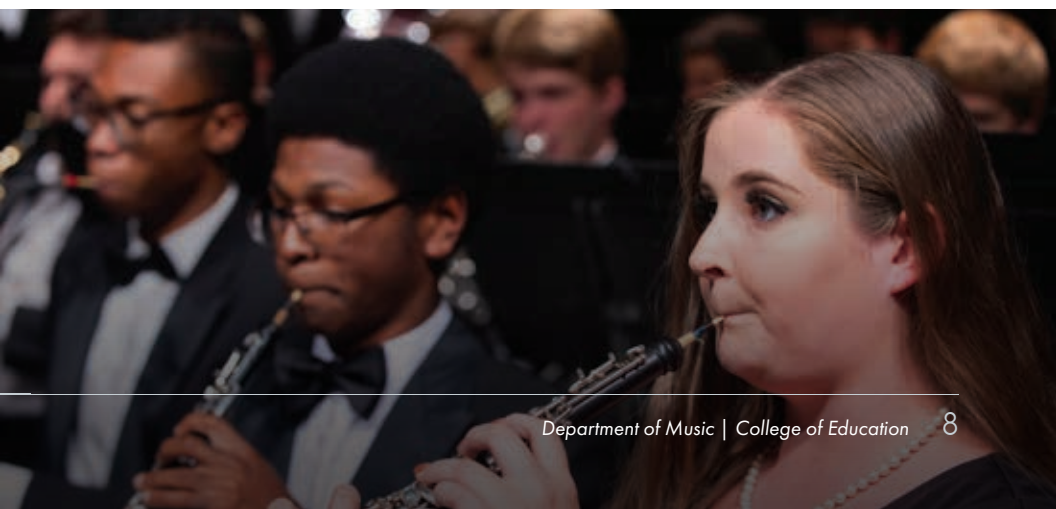
2024 Honor Band Clinic Finale Concert

Honor Band Clinic Student Participants

Jan. 27, 2024 | 12:30 p.m.

Bettsworth Auditorium

The high school student participants of the 2024 Honor Band Clinic will be featured in a finale concert that includes performances by the Maroon, White, and Wind Symphony clinic ensembles, conducted by our guest clinicians from across the country.



Midwinter Concert

Featuring Campus, Concert,
and Symphonic Bands

Feb. 11, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

The university concert bands are comprised of musicians representing almost every major on the MSU campus. The groups will perform a comprehensive mix of wind repertoire including orchestral transcriptions, classic works for band, contemporary concert works, and “pops” arrangements.

Spring Concert

Featuring Campus, Concert,
and Symphonic Bands

Apr. 14, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

The university concert bands are comprised of musicians representing almost every major on the MSU campus. The groups will perform a comprehensive mix of wind repertoire including orchestral transcriptions, classic works for band, contemporary concert works, and “pops” arrangements.

Spring Concert

Wind Ensemble

Apr. 9, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

The Wind Ensemble will close their performance series with repertoire spanning the ages of the wind band. The concert will feature the lush timbres and textures of the ensemble with a tonal fantasy from the classics of the repertoire, a newly commissioned work, an orchestral transcription, and the staple of wind bands everywhere, the standard march.



Jazz Ensemble

The Jazz Ensemble is descended from the MSU Stage Band founded by Dr. Kent Sills in 1967. The group plays big-band jazz in a wide variety of styles including swing, blues, hard bop, cool, Latin, funk, and fusion.

Fall Concert

Nov. 17, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Spring Concert

Apr. 22, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall







Famous Maroon Band

Since 1902, the Mississippi State University Famous Maroon Band has provided support and entertainment for Bulldog fans everywhere. With over 400 students representing every college and school on campus, the band has always been at the heart of the Mississippi State family. During the past century, thousands of students have developed their leadership and musicianship skills through membership in the Famous Maroon Band. This long-standing tradition continues each year as the Famous Maroon Band takes the field. From the pregame activities around campus to the victorious sounds of *Hail State* at game's end, the Famous Maroon Band always ignites the crowd in support of the Bulldogs.

MSU vs. Southeastern Louisiana

Featuring High School Honor Band
Sept. 2, Davis Wade Stadium

MSU vs. Arizona

Sept. 9, Davis Wade Stadium

MSU vs. LSU

Sept. 16, Davis Wade Stadium

South Carolina vs. MSU

Sept. 23, University of
South Carolina

MSU vs. Alabama

Sept. 30, Davis Wade Stadium

MSU vs. Western Michigan

Oct. 7, Davis Wade Stadium

Arkansas vs. MSU

Oct. 21, Arkansas

Auburn vs. MSU

Oct. 28, Auburn University

MSU vs. Kentucky (Homecoming)

Nov. 4, Davis Wade Stadium

Texas A&M vs. MSU

Nov. 11, Texas A&M

MSU vs. Southern Miss

(Veteran's Day Halftime Show)

Featuring MSU Choirs

Nov. 18, Davis Wade Stadium

MSU vs. Ole Miss (Egg Bowl)

Nov. 23, Davis Wade Stadium

Starkville Christmas Parade

Nov. 27, 7 p.m.

Main Street in Starkville



Community Band

The Starkville/MSU Community Band is a mix of community members from throughout the Golden Triangle region and rehearses on Monday evenings. The performances will include a variety of contemporary and traditional band literature as well as marches, patriotic music, Broadway show tunes, and other “pops” literature.

Fall Concert

Oct. 15, 2023 | 2 p.m.

Sills Band Hall

Fall Concert

Nov. 19, 2023 | 2 p.m.

Sills Band Hall

Midwinter Concert

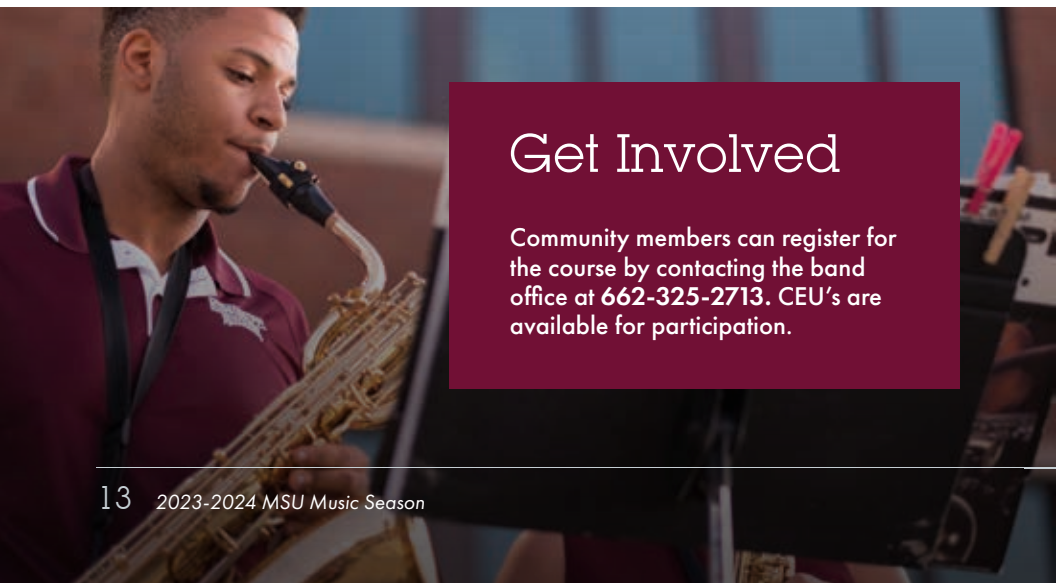
Mar. 3, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Sills Band Hall

Spring Concert

Apr. 21, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Sills Band Hall



Get Involved

Community members can register for the course by contacting the band office at 662-325-2713. CEU's are available for participation.

A close-up photograph of a young man with dark hair, focused on playing a violin. He is wearing a dark shirt, and the background is blurred, showing other musicians and instruments in an orchestra setting.

ORCHESTRAS

Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra

Symphonic Poem

Aug. 26, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Bestersworth Auditorium

We welcome new Music Director, Dr. Daniel Stevens, to the podium to kick off the 55th season of the Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra, with pieces that evoke the imagination of storytelling through music. Featured works include the Mendelssohn – *The Hebrides (Fingal's Cave, Op. 26)*, and the Mahler – *Symphony No. 1, Titan*.

Jazz at Renasant

Sept. 29, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Renasant Bank of Starkville

Join us downtown on an MSU game weekend for a free jazz concert sponsored by Renasant Bank. The symphony jazz combo will perform a family-friendly program of jazz standards and selections from the American songbook arranged in a variety of styles.

50th Anniversary

Celebration Concert

Starkville Symphony Chorus

Nov. 12, 2023 | 3 p.m.

Trinity Presbyterian Church of Starkville

Join us as we celebrate 50 years of singing with the Starkville Symphony Chorus. We will share music from the past, present, and future. Cake will be served.

Spark of Joy Family Holiday Concert

Featuring Starkville Symphony Chorus

Dec. 2, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Bestersworth Auditorium

We ring in the holiday season with festive holiday favorites that the entire family will enjoy. The Starkville Symphony Chorus joins Dr. Daniel Stevens and the Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra to perform carols of the season.

Serenade for Strings

Jan. 20, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

The strings sections of the Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra are featured with several standard classical masterworks including the Britten – *Simple Symphony*, Elgar – *Serenade for Strings*, and the Tchaikovsky – *Serenade for Strings*. You will also want to hear a unique piece by Polish composer, Wojciech Kilar, titled *Orawa*.

Sea Symphony

Featuring Starkville Symphony Chorus

Mar. 23, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

The annual choral masterworks program features the famous Brahms – *Academic Festival Overture* and the 2024 MSU Student Solo Competition Winner, before a performance of the Vaughan Williams – *Symphony No. 1, A Sea Symphony*, a majestic, sweeping composition that carries the listener on a journey set to Walt Whitman's *Leaves of Grass*.

Wingo Pops Presents

Cinema Paradiso

Apr. 13, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

Travel back to movie classics of the silver screen, with 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s soundtrack hits such as Mancini – *Moon River*, Bernstein – *The Magnificent Seven*, Morricone – *Cinema Paradiso*, and the Rota – *A Time for Us* (from the 1968 version of *Romeo and Juliet*).

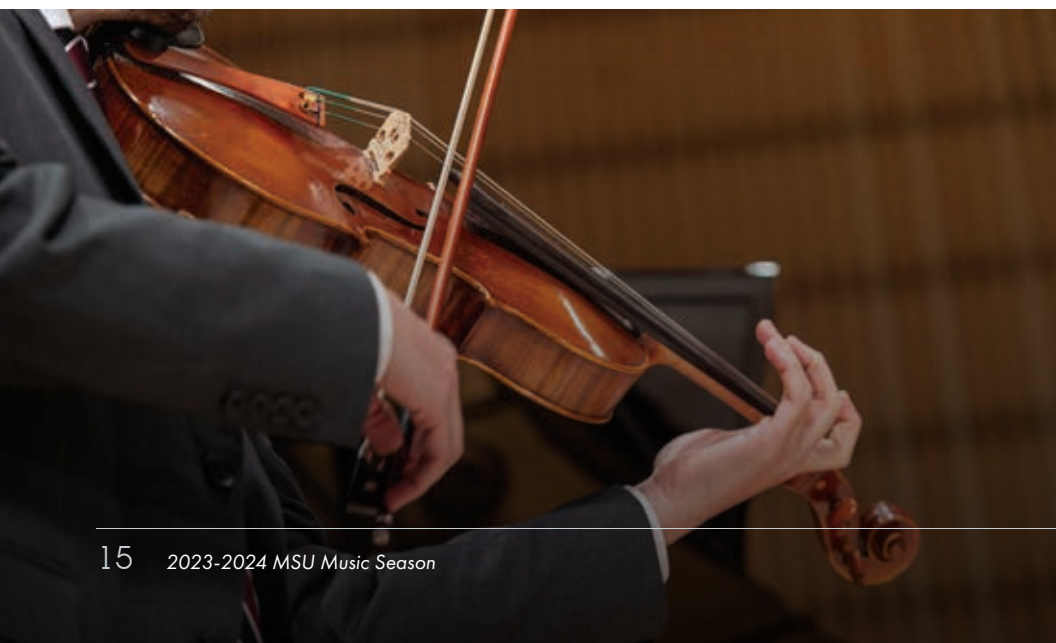
ON BROADWAY!

Starkville Symphony Chorus

May 5, 2024 | 4:30 p.m.

Downtown Starkville

The whole family is encouraged to join the Starkville Symphony Chorus as we celebrate Broadway with an outdoor concert in downtown Starkville.



Student Orchestras

Rounds for Strings

Philharmonia

Oct. 19, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The Philharmonia opens the season with well-known works by Bach, Mozart, Samuel Barber, and the David Diamond – *Rounds for Strings*.

String Holiday

Philharmonia

Nov. 30, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The Philharmonia kicks off the holiday spirit with works by Corelli – *Christmas Concerto*, Handel – *Messiah (Overture and Pipa)*, and the Bach – *Brandenburg No. 5*.

Spring Fever

Philharmonia and Starkville-MSU
Symphony Orchestra

Mar. 7, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

New for 2024, MSU presents a first-ever performance of the Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra, under the batons of Dr. Joe Ortiguera and Department Head, Dr. Daniel Stevens, to complement spirited works by the Philharmonia.

Philharmonia and the Hip-Hop Orchestra Experience

Featuring Ensemble Mik Nawooj

Mar. 27, 2024 | 7 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

Led by composer/pianist, JooWan Kim, the Hip-Hop Orchestra Experience featuring Ensemble Mik Nawooj (EMN) creates Metamusic by sampling principles of Hip-Hop and Classical. Executed with resident MCs, a lyric soprano, turf dancer, woodwinds, French horn, strings, piano, and drums, the music is rigorous, nuanced, accessible, and free from the dogmas of Western European concert music aesthetic. This concert is part of the 2023-2024 Lyceum Series.

Summer State of Mind

Philharmonia and Starkville-MSU
Symphony Orchestra

Apr. 30, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Downtown Starkville

The Philharmonia and Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra perform works of a number of diverse composers, including an arrangement of the Frescobaldi – *Toccata*, Rimsky-Korsakov – *Dubynushka*, and Balmages – *Summer Dances*.



PIANO

69th Mississippi Music Teachers Association State Conference

Slawomir Dobrzanski, guest clinician;
Joseph Earp, commissioned composer;
Joseph Kingma, guest artist;
Ronald Shinn, competition judge

Oct. 27 - 28, 2023 | all day
Music Building

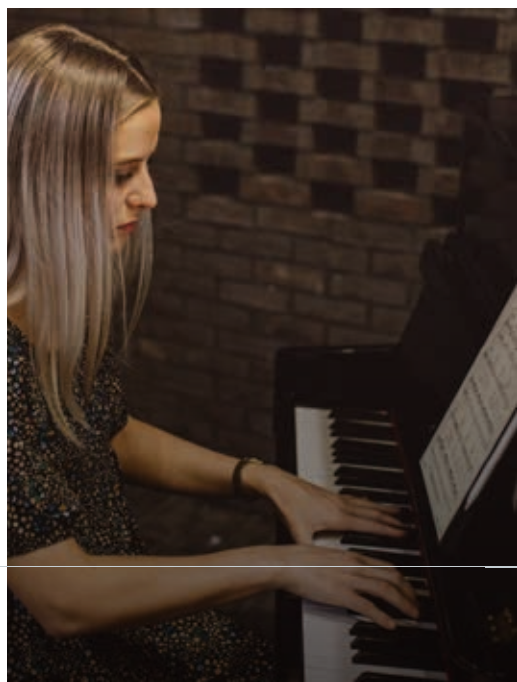
The purpose of the annual MMTA conference is to further the art of music and promote the growth and professional development of its members by providing programs that encourage and support teaching, performance, compositions, and research. Several presentations and performances by professional teachers/musicians and students during both days of the conference will feature diverse topics and formats. The Guest Artist Recital, the Commissioned Composer's Recital, and the New Faculty Recital will be presented on Friday. The IMTF Luncheon/Lecture, Gold Medal Winners Recital and a masterclass by our Conference Clinician will be held on Saturday morning. The Pre-College Concerto Competitions will occur on Saturday afternoon. A display of music publications presented by Music & Arts (Mississippi Music) will be available throughout the conference.

Piano Retreat

Jan. 27, 2024 |
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Music Building

The MSU Piano Retreat is an event for young pianists entering Grades 6-12 who have studied piano for at least two years. The retreat will include mini concerts, classroom instruction, a creative class, and piano masterclasses. Students will experience college life on a major university campus in a friendly environment.





Choral Colloquium Concert

Featuring Cantaré, State Singers,
and Invited Choirs

Sept. 10, 2023 | 8 p.m.

Bettersworth Auditorium

Join us for the first choral performance of the year as the State Singers, Cantaré, and TrebullDawgs, perform an eclectic variety of choral music for members of the Colloquium honor choirs and their families. State Singers will be conducted by Dr. William Powell from Auburn University. Dr. Powell will be in residence at MSU September 7 - 10. While in residency Powell will give sessions to local teachers, work with MSU music students, and rehearse and conduct the State Singers.

Choral Colloquium Concert

Featuring Middle School and High School
Honor Choirs

Sept. 11, 2023 | 3 p.m.

**First Baptist Church
of Starkville**

This concert is the culmination of the MSU Choral Colloquium. Join us for a performance by the Jr. High Honor Choir under the direction of Mr. Evan Powers from the University of North Texas and the High School Honor Choir under the direction of Dr. Alissa Rowe from Louisiana State University.

Cantaré and TrebullDawgs Fall Concert

Oct. 24, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Enjoy a wide variety of vocal music featuring Cantaré and TrebullDawgs. Cantaré is an auditioned mixed chamber ensemble at MSU that performs a wide variety of music from the Renaissance to modern compositions. TrebullDawgs is MSU's vocal acapella group that performs the arrangements of popular music.

Fall Choral Concert

Featuring OPUS, Schola Cantorum, and State Singers

Nov. 3, 2023 | 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church
of Starkville**

This concert will feature OPUS, Schola Cantorum, and State Singers. Schola Cantorum is the large treble choir at MSU that features singers from all majors across campus. OPUS is the Tenor/Bass equivalent to Schola Cantorum that performs an exciting variety of music. Members of this group are also from a variety of majors at MSU. State Singers is the preeminent choral ensemble at MSU and performs music from the Renaissance to modern major works.

Holiday Choral Concert

Featuring Cantaré, OPUS, Schola Cantorum, State Singers, and TrebullDawgs

Nov. 28, 2023 | 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church
of Starkville**

Join us for an evening of holiday favorites as the choirs at MSU kick off the holiday season with cheer.

Black History Program

Featuring Cantaré and special guest Dr. Mark Malone from University of Southern Mississippi

Feb. 13, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Join us with Dr. Mark Malone of the University of Southern Mississippi as we explore the lesser-known music of influential African American composer William Dawson. Dawson was a pioneer of the African American spiritual and was a long-time conductor of the famed Tuskegee Glee Club. This concert will feature Cantaré in works by Dawson and composers influenced by this musical giant.

Requiem Novum

Featuring State Singers

Feb. 29, 2024 | 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church
of Starkville**

State Singers will perform the Mississippi premiere of a new work by Swedish composer Mårten Jansson and American librettist Anthony Silvestri. The work weaves traditional music of the Latin requiem mass with poetry by Silvestri. The movements are representative of the loved one that was lost providing peace, hope, and comfort from the other side of eternity. Listeners will be treated to this choral/orchestral masterwork in the hopes that through the music one can be healed.

Cantaré and TrebullDawgs Spring Concert

Apr. 5, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

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Spring Choral Concert

Featuring OPUS, Schola Cantorum,
and State Singers

Apr. 12, 2024 | 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church
of Starkville**

The culmination of a year of music is the Spring Choral Concert featuring the choirs of MSU. Join us as OPUS, Schola Cantorum, and State Singers delight the audience with a variety of choral music. Join us as we say goodbye to the 2023-2024 year.





OPERA & MUSICAL THEATRE

The Magic Flute

Opera

Nov. 13, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 14, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The Magic Flute is a family-friendly opera that tells a magical story of love, loyalty, and kindness. This abridged production features multimedia and an updated libretto, making it accessible for audiences of all ages.

Pippin

Musical Theatre

Apr. 24, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Apr. 25, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

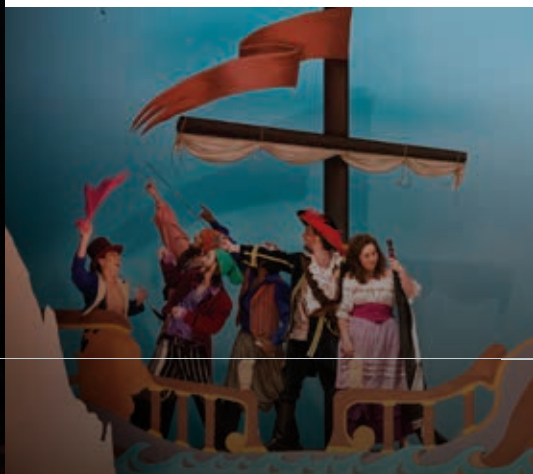
Apr. 26, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Apr. 27, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Apr. 28, 2024 | 2 p.m.

McComas Theatre

The MSU Music Department in collaboration with MSU Theatre is proud to present *Pippin*. *Pippin* is a musical using the premise of a mysterious performance troupe, led by the Leading Player, to tell the story of Pippin, a young prince on his search for meaning and significance.





WORLD MUSIC

Music as Pathway to Intercultural Understanding

Dr. Patricia Shehan Campbell, lecture
Nov. 16, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Patricia Shehan Campbell retired from active teaching at the University of Washington School of Music in 2022. She taught courses at the interface of Ethnomusicology and Music Education, including music for children, world music pedagogy, and ethnographic research in music.

Hawaiian Hula

Jeremy Kirk, lecture

Mar. 5, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Choral Hall

Contemporary hula tells a story or describes a place through movement. Lecture attendees will participate in this engaging cultural dance celebration.





STUDIO EVENTS

Backpack Meals Benefit

Dr. Jason Baker and Friends

Aug. 27, 2023 | 4 p.m.

**First United Methodist
Connections Building**

Jason Baker will be joined by several MSU percussion students, each giving solo marimba performances. Admission is free and donations will be accepted via cash, check, or Venmo to benefit the Backpack Meals Charity – a local organization that provides food to Starkville school children in need.

Clarinet Choir, Saxophone Quartet, and Saxophone Ensemble Concert

Oct. 30, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Please join the Saxophone Quartet, Clarinet Choir, and Saxophone Ensemble for an evening of a variety of music. This diversified program will include a mix of classical, popular, contemporary, jazz and much more.

OctTUBAfest

Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

Oct. 31, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Join the Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble for a Halloween themed program. Costumes are encouraged at this low frequency-filled concert of original pieces and arrangements for low brass.

Percussion Ensemble Concert

Percussion Ensemble

Nov. 5, 2023 | 4 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of Jason Baker, will be performing both conducted and unconducted works for chamber percussion. This will include pieces by student composers from the MSU Percussion Studio's annual Call for Scores.

Music Discovery Day **Nov. 6, 2023 | all day** **Music Building Recital Hall**

Music Discovery Day is an open house event, giving prospective music majors and music education majors the opportunity to see first-hand what a future in music can hold. Additional information and registration are available at music.msstate.edu/discover.

Double Reed Concert **Double Reed Ensemble** **Nov. 7, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.** **Music Building Recital Hall**

Join the Double Reed Quartet for a chamber music concert featuring a variety of works.

Flute Studio Recital **Nov. 9, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.** **Music Building Recital Hall**

Under the leadership of Dr. Olivia Boatman, flute professor, the Flute Studio, Flute Choir, and Woodwind Quintet will showcase assorted, unique works intended to inspire audience members of all ages.

Horn Choir **Play Along & Concert** **Nov. 19, 2023 | 4 p.m.** **Music Building Recital Hall**

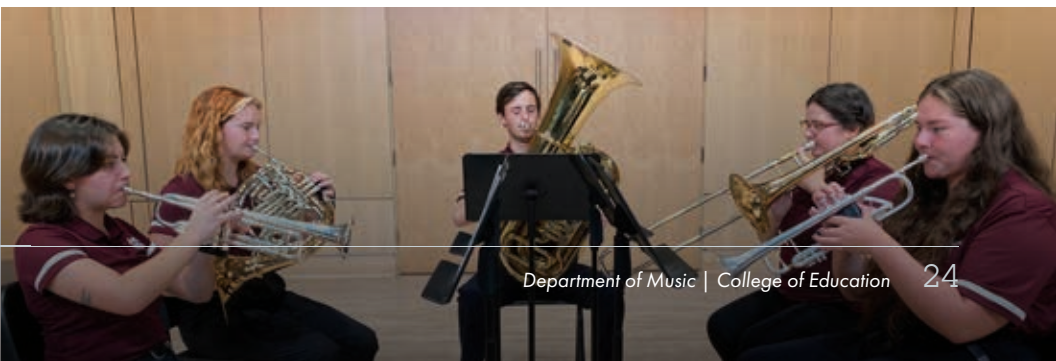
The Horn Choir presents its fall concert featuring original compositions and arrangements of repertoire for horn ensemble. They will then be joined by community horn players of all ages to play holiday horn ensemble pieces at the end of the concert. For more information, please email Dr. Matthew Haislip at matthew.haislip@msstate.edu.

Brass Quintet Concert **Faculty and Student Brass Quintet** **Nov. 20, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.** **Music Building Recital Hall**

This concert will include a mix of standard quintet literature and pops selection. From the historical sounds of the Baroque to contemporary jazz, our brass quintets offer entertaining programs of great variety.

Piano Studio Recital **Nov. 21, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.** **Music Building Recital Hall**

MSU Piano Area provides several performance opportunities for all students as soloists and chamber musicians. The semester recitals foster performances of a diverse repertoire representing different periods and styles.



Double Reed Ensemble Concert

Oboe Studio/Double Reed Quartet

Nov. 27, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Join the Oboe Studio and Double Reed Quartet for a chamber music concert featuring a variety of works, including selections from Handel's *Water Music*.

Tuba/Euphonium Christmas

Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

Nov. 30, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Ring in the holiday season with the largest bells around. The Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble presents Christmas music. Guest participation is welcome. Please contact Dr. Blake Ryall at bryall@colled.msstate.edu for inquiries.

Percussion Studio Scholarship Concert

Percussion Ensemble

Feb. 4, 2024 | 4 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The Percussion Studio will present a concert of both solo and chamber works performed by students. Donations will be accepted to fund Percussion Studio scholarships.

Vocal Odyssey in Creativity & Education (VOiCE)

Feb. 16, 2024 | 3 p.m.

Feb. 17, 2024 | 9 a.m.

**Music Building Recital Hall/
Choral Hall**

VOiCE is an interdisciplinary annual event where guests from all over the nation join to perform and present on the vocal arts. If you are interested in the human voice, creativity, and education, then this event is for you.

Clarinet Choir, Saxophone Quartet, and Saxophone Ensemble Concert

Apr. 2, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Please join the Saxophone Quartet, Clarinet Choir, and Saxophone Ensemble for an evening of a variety of music. This diversified program will include a mix of classical, popular, contemporary, jazz, and much more.

Solo & Ensemble Festival

April 6, 2024 | 9 a.m.

Music Building Choral Hall

The MSU and Hinds Community College Departments of Music are pleased to welcome students for the 2023 MSU-Hinds CC Solo and Ensemble Festival. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to expand their musicianship skills by performing a solo or in a chamber music ensemble with their friends for feedback from professional musicians and teachers. Instruments include orchestral string, guitar, woodwinds, brass, piano, and percussion instruments.

Double Reed Day

Dr. Jessica Haislip, oboe;
Dr. Denise Rowan, bassoon

Apr. 6, 2024 | all day
Sills Band Hall / Music Building
Recital Hall

The Oboe Studio and Bassoon Studio welcome double reed students of all ages to join us for a day of music-making. The event will include reed-making clinics, rehearsals, and a variety of other sessions, culminating in a mass double reed ensemble performance.

Flute Studio Recital

Apr. 15, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.
Music Building Recital Hall

You don't want to miss performances by the Flute Studio, Flute Choir, and Woodwind Quintet as they provide a relaxing start to your week and light up the room with excellence at its finest.

Double Reed Ensemble Concert

Oboe Studio / Double Reed Quartet
Apr. 16, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.
Music Building Recital Hall

Join us for an evening of chamber music for double reeds. This concert will feature members of the Oboe Studio and Double Reed Quartet in several different ensemble combinations.

Percussion Symposium

Percussion Ensemble and Steel Band

April 20, 2024 | Noon
Music Building Choral Hall

The MSU Percussion Symposium will feature performances by the Percussion Ensemble and Steel Band as well as high school programs from throughout the state. It will also include presentations by guest clinicians and MSU faculty.

Brass Quintet Concert

Faculty and Student Brass Quintet
Apr. 23, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.
Music Building Recital Hall

This concert will include a mix of standard quintet literature and pops selection. From the historical sounds of the Baroque to contemporary jazz, our brass quintets offer entertaining programs of great variety.

Piano Studio Recital

Apr. 29, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.
Music Building Recital Hall

MSU Piano Area provides several performance opportunities for all students as soloists and chamber musicians. The semester recitals foster performances of a diverse repertoire representing different periods and styles.

A photograph of a male musician with short brown hair, wearing a dark shirt, playing a marimba. He is holding two mallets and is focused on his performance. The background is dark and out of focus, showing some wooden structures.

FACULTY & GUEST ARTIST SERIES

Flute and Percussion

Dr. Olivia Boatman, flute;
Dr. Robert Damm, percussion

Aug. 27, 2023 | 2 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Join us for music from around the world including military fife and drum, Argentinian tango, Japanese festival taiko, pastorate scenes from the Asian countryside, dance of India, and a suite of impressions evocative of the rain forest.

Guest Artist Recital

Mr. Hunter Farley, tuba;
Dr. Paul Lee, piano

Aug. 28, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Mr. Hunter Farley, tuba artist, and Dr. Paul Lee, Assistant Professor of Piano at the University of West Alabama, present a recital of diverse repertoire for tuba and piano.

Invitation to a Voyage

Dr. Jessica Haislip, oboe;
Dr. Matthew Haislip, French horn;
Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale, piano

Sept. 12, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Dr. Matthew Haislip will be joined by Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale for a recital of 20th century works and pieces by living composers. Dr. Jessica Haislip will join the ensemble for Matthew's own composition, *Rhapsody for Oboe, Horn, and Piano*.

Guest Artist Recital

Dr. Minhae Lee, piano

Sept. 22, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Dr. Lee is Assistant Professor of Piano at Stephen F. Austin State University. She completed her degrees from Yonsei University, Manhattan School of Music, Michigan State University, and a fellowship at Yale University.

Guest Artist Recital

Mr. Andrew Miller, tuba

Oct. 4, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Principal tubist of the Alabama Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Andrew Miller, presents a guest recital of repertoire for tuba. Miller has performed as a featured soloist with the ASO and has taught at institutions including The Boston Conservatory, Western Michigan University, and Columbus State University.

Songs of Death

Dr. Chris Withrow, baritone;

Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale, piano

Oct. 26, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

A recital fit for the Halloween season featuring works by Debra Kaye, Yrjö Kilpinen, and Libby Larsen. Come explore the macabre as we dance closely with famous characters toward an ending that awaits us all.

Seasons of Life:

A Musical Journey

Dr. Sophie Wang, piano

Oct. 29, 2023 | 2 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

This program offers a look at the progressive stages of life, with its up and downs, as mirrored in musical works: Berg — *Beginnings* (Op. 1 Sonata), Robert Schumann — *Love, Passion, Heartbreak, and Agony* (Fantasy), Clara Schumann — *Romance*, Brahms — *Theme and Variations* (Op. 18b), Scriabin — *Adversity and Turning Points* (Sonata No. 4).

Guest Artist Recital

Dr. Zack Corpus, tuba

Nov. 10, 2023 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Professor of Practice for Tuba and Euphonium at the University of Memphis, Dr. Zack Corpus, presents a guest recital of tuba repertoire. Hailed for his beautiful and expert playing, Corpus enjoys a diverse career as a soloist, chamber musician, and educator.

La Regata Italiana

Dr. Roza Tulyaganova, soprano;

Dr. Jeanette Fontaine, mezzo-soprano;

Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale, piano;

Jan. 29, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

The recital series *La Lingua Musicale* returns with Italian repertoire. This tour of Italy features operatic duets and arias with special guests. Prepare to experience a world of opera, magic, and pasta.

Faculty Piano Studio Recital

MSU Piano Faculty

Feb. 3, 2024 | 4 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Members of the piano faculty are distinguished musicians and devoted teachers who guide and encourage students to achieve their greatest potential. As active performers they celebrate their passion for teaching and performing with this concert including solos, duets, trios and quartets for one and two pianos by composers from different periods and styles.

United States Navy Band

Feb. 12, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Buttersworth Auditorium

The United States Navy band has served as the official musical organization since 1925. It performs at presidential inaugurations, state funerals and other significant events. The band's repertoire includes marches, symphonic selections, patriotic works, and popular favorites.

Mama Africa

Dr. Robert Damm, percussion

Feb. 18, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Dr. Robert Damm, percussion, with friends from the Golden Triangle, will perform popular songs about Africa at this Black History Month Concert.

Charles H. Templeton, Sr. Ragtime and Jazz Festival

**Neville Dickie, piano;
Sweet & Hot Jazz Quartet**

Feb. 22 - 24, 2024

Charles H. Templeton, Sr. Music Museum (day events) and McComas Hall (evening events)

The Charles H. Templeton, Sr. Ragtime & Jazz Festival is sponsored by the MSU Libraries and the Charles Templeton Sr. Music Museum as a means of enhancing the research in the area of ragtime music, increasing the awareness of the Templeton collection housed in the MSU Library, and introducing people to the sounds of early American music being performed by world-renowned ragtime musicians. The festival is comprised of a blend of major concerts, mini-concerts, seminars, and tours of the Music Museum. Please visit www.library.msstate.edu/festival for more information.

Home is Where the Heart Is

**Dr. Olivia Boatman, flute;
Dr. Rosângela Sebba, piano**

Feb. 25, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Dr. Boatman and Dr. Sebba have prepared a stirring faculty recital celebrating music that represents special memories of home. Though seemingly worlds apart, music will be featured from Brazil, the fifth largest nation in the world, and from our own backyard in Mississippi.



Faculty Recital

Ms. Sheri Falcone, clarinet;
Dr. Jessica Haislip, oboe;
Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale, piano;
Dr. Daniel Stevens, viola;
Dr. Sophie Wang, piano

Feb. 27, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Talented colleagues join together to present chamber music works with unique instrumentation, including the Loeffler – *Two Rhapsodies for Oboe, Viola and Piano*, and the Bruch – *8 Pieces for Clarinet, Viola and Piano, Op.83*, among others.

Two Pianos Around the World

Dr. Kevin Chance, piano;
Dr. Rosângela Sebba, piano

Mar. 2, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Two pianists come back together, performing works by a variety of composers from different periods and styles – a celebration of pianism.

30th Anniversary Concert

Dr. Jackie Edwards-Henry, piano;
Dr. Gail Levinsky, saxophone;
The Topaz Trio with
Dr. Lorraine Duso Kitts, oboe

Mar. 6, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Jackie Edwards-Henry and Gail Levinsky formed their duo in 1994 when Gail joined the faculty at MSU. Their new trio, The Topaz Trio, was formed in 2019 with Dr. Lorraine Duso Kitts, oboe and English horn. The duo and trio regularly commission and premier new compositions. This concert will feature “A Justice for All,” commissioned for and recently recorded by The Topaz Trio.





COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL

About Us

The mission of the MSU Community Music School is to enrich the lives of the Starkville and Northeast Mississippi communities by offering excellent, affordable music instruction to all people, and to provide performance opportunities that contribute to the cultural life of the communities we serve. This mission is based upon the notion that music should play a central role in the life of all healthy communities and that each individual has the capacity for music learning and expression.

We provide high quality music instruction in piano, guitar, voice, woodwinds, brass, percussion, and strings. Lessons and classes are scheduled with MSU faculty or undergraduate students on a semester fee basis, and they are available to students of all ages and skills. For more information, contact Jennifer Winter at **662-325-3070** or email music@colled.msstate.edu.

Community Music School Recitals

Dec. 2, 2023

10 - 11 a.m. and

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

May 4, 2024

10 - 11 a.m. and

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

Mississippi Music Teachers Association District Evaluations

Community Music School and Golden
Triangle Music Forum, local affiliate of
Mississippi Music Teachers Association

Apr. 13, 2024 | 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Music Building

This event provides local students the opportunity to receive feedback from professional musicians/teachers to further their development in theory, ear training, sight-reading, history and solo/duet performances.

Honors Piano Recital

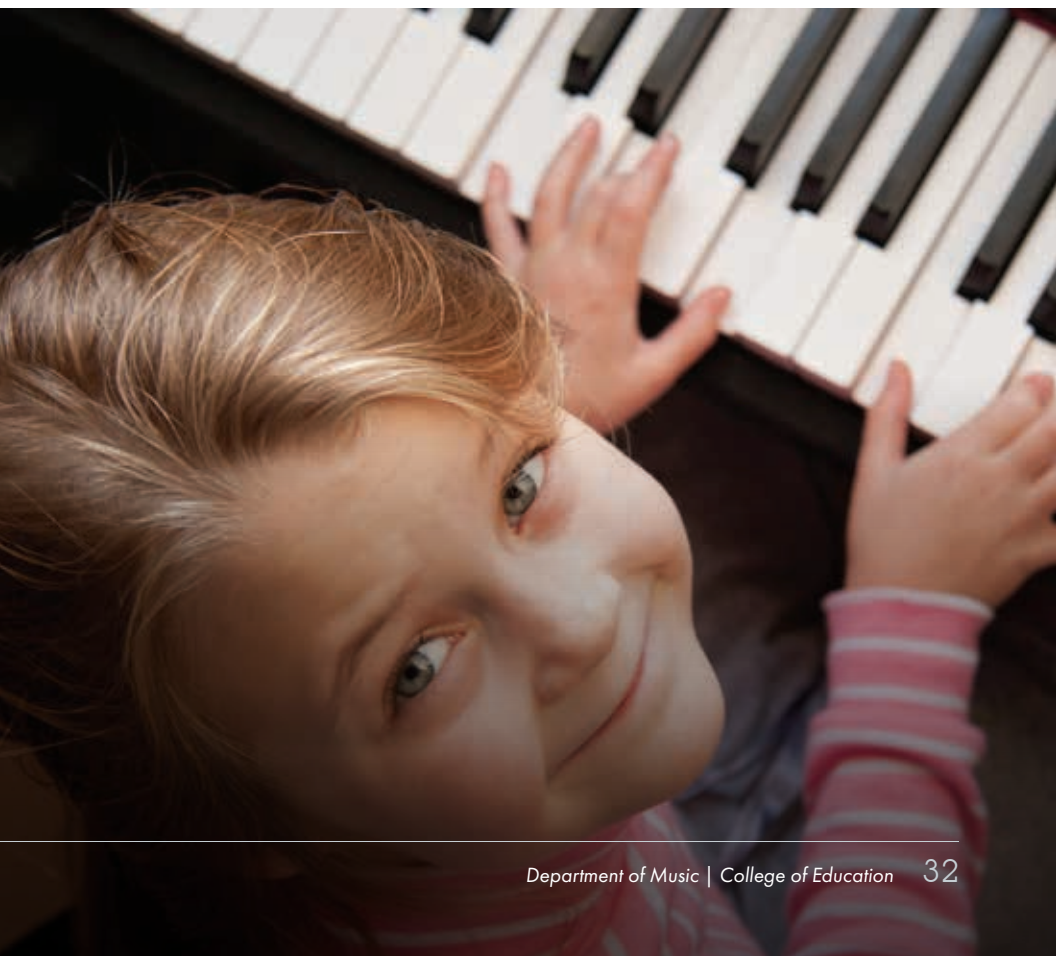
Community Music School, Piano Area,
and Golden Triangle Music Forum;
Slade Trammell, piano and adjudicator

Apr. 20, 2024 |

10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Music Building

This event promotes music making, healthy competition between regional students, and a performance opportunity in preparation for the State Finals competition.





PERFORMANCE CALENDAR INDEX

Aug. 26, 2023	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Symphonic Poem, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Aug. 27, 2023	Dr. Olivia Boatman (flute) and Dr. Robert Damm (percussion) — Flute and Percussion, 2 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Aug. 27, 2023	Dr. Jason Baker and Friends — Backpack Meals Benefit, 4 p.m., First United Methodist Connections Building
Aug. 28, 2023	Mr. Hunter Farley (tuba) and Dr. Paul Lee (piano) — Guest Artist Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Sept. 2, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Southeastern Louisiana featuring High School Honor Band, Davis Wade Stadium
Sept. 9, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Arizona, Davis Wade Stadium
Sept. 10, 2023	Choral Music — Choral Colloquium Concert featuring Cantaré, State Singers, and Invited Choirs, 8 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Sept. 11, 2023	Choral Music — Choral Colloquium Concert featuring Middle School and High School Honor Choirs, 3 p.m., First Baptist Church of Starkville
Sept. 12, 2023	Dr. Jessica Haislip (oboe), Dr. Matthew Haislip (French horn), and Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale (piano) — Invitation to a Voyage, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Sept. 16, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. LSU, Davis Wade Stadium
Sept. 22, 2023	Dr. Minhae Lee (piano) — Guest Artist Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Sept. 23, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — South Carolina vs. MSU, University of South Carolina
Sept. 29, 2023	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Jazz at Renasant, 7:30 p.m., Renasant Bank of Starkville

Sept. 30, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Alabama, Davis Wade Stadium
Oct. 4, 2023	Mr. Andrew Miller (tuba) — Guest Artist Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 5, 2023	Wind Ensemble — Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Oct. 7, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Western Michigan, Davis Wade Stadium
Oct. 15, 2023	Community Band — Fall Concert, 2 p.m., Sills Band Hall
Oct. 19, 2023	Philharmonia — Rounds for Strings, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 21, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — Arkansas vs. MSU, Arkansas
Oct. 24, 2023	Cantaré and TrebullDawgs — Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 26, 2023	Dr. Chris Withrow (baritone) and Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale (piano) — Songs of Death, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 27 - 28, 2023	Slawomir Dobrzanski (guest clinician), Joseph Earp (commissioned composer), Joseph Kingma (guest artist), and Ronald Shinn (competition judge) — 69 th Mississippi Music Teachers Association State Conference, all day, Music Building
Oct. 28, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — Auburn vs. MSU, Auburn University
Oct. 29, 2023	Dr. Sophie Wang (piano) — Seasons of Life: A Musical Journey, 2 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 30, 2023	Studio — Clarinet Choir, Saxophone Quartet, and Saxophone Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Oct. 31, 2023	Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble — OctTUBAfest, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 2, 2023	Wind Ensemble and Dr. Blake Ryall (tuba) — Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Nov. 3, 2023	Choral Music — Fall Choral Concert featuring OPUS, Schola Cantorum, and State Singers, 7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Starkville
Nov. 4, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Kentucky (Homecoming), Davis Wade Stadium



Many events are free to the public.
For latest ticket info, visit www.music.msstate.edu.

Nov. 5, 2023	Percussion Ensemble — Percussion Ensemble Concert, 4 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 6, 2023	Studio — Music Discovery Day, all day, Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 7, 2023	Double Reed Ensemble — Double Reed Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 9, 2023	Studio — Flute Studio Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 10, 2023	Zack Corpus (tuba) — Guest Artist Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 11, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — Texas A&M vs. MSU, Texas A&M
Nov. 12, 2023	Starkville Symphony Chorus — 50 th Anniversary Celebration Concert, 3 p.m., Trinity Presbyterian Church of Starkville
Nov. 13, 2023	Opera — <i>The Magic Flute</i> , 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 14, 2023	Opera — <i>The Magic Flute</i> , 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 16, 2023	World Music — Music as Pathway to Intercultural Understanding with Dr. Patricia Shehan Campbell (lecture), 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 17, 2023	Jazz Ensemble — Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 18, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — MSU vs. Southern Miss, Veteran's Day Halftime Show featuring MSU Choirs, Davis Wade Stadium
Nov. 19, 2023	Community Band — Fall Concert, 2 p.m., Sills Band Hall
Nov. 19, 2023	Horn Choir — Horn Choir Play Along and Concert, 4 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 20, 2023	Faculty and Student Brass Quintet — Brass Quintet Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 21, 2023	Studio — Piano Studio Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 23, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — Egg Bowl, MSU vs. Ole Miss, Davis Wade Stadium
Nov. 27, 2023	Famous Maroon Band — Starkville Christmas Parade, 7 p.m., Main Street of Starkville
Nov. 27, 2023	Oboe Studio/Double Reed Quartet — Double Reed Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall

Nov. 28, 2023	Choral Music — Holiday Choral Concert featuring Cantaré, OPUS, Schola Cantorum, State Singers, and TrebullDawgs, 7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Starkville
Nov. 30, 2023	Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble — Tuba/Euphonium Christmas, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Nov. 30, 2023	Philharmonia — String Holiday, 5 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Dec. 2, 2023	Community Music School — Recital, 10 - 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Dec. 2, 2023	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Spark of Joy Family Holiday Concert featuring Starkville Symphony Chorus, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Jan. 20, 2024	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Serenade for Strings, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Jan. 25, 2024	Ocean Springs High School Wind Symphony and Alabama Winds — 2024 Honor Band Clinic, 6 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Jan. 26, 2024	Wind Ensemble — Winter Concert, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Jan. 27, 2024	Piano Area — Piano Retreat, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Music Building
Jan. 27, 2024	Honor Band Clinic Student Participants — 2024 Honor Band Clinic Finale Concert, 12:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Jan. 29, 2024	Dr. Roza Tulyaganova (soprano), Dr. Jeanette Fontaine (mezzo-soprano), and Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale (piano) — La Regata Italiana, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 3, 2024	Piano Area — Piano Faculty Recital, 4 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 4, 2024	Percussion Ensemble — Percussion Studio Scholarship Concert, 4 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 11, 2024	Campus, Concert, and Symphonic Bands — Midwinter Concert, 2 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Feb. 12, 2024	United States Navy Band — Guest Recital, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Feb. 13, 2024	Choral Music — Black History Program featuring Cantaré and Dr. Mark Malone (University of Southern Mississippi) 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 16 - 17, 2024	Studio — Vocal Odyssey in Creativity & Education (VOiCE), Music Building Recital Hall/Choral Hall

Feb. 18, 2024	Dr. Robert Damm (percussion) — Mama Africa, 2 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 22 - 24, 2024	Neville Dickie (piano) and Sweet & Hot Jazz Quartet — Charles H. Templeton, Sr. Ragtime and Jazz Festival, Mitchell Memorial Library and McComas Hall Theatre
Feb. 25, 2024	Dr. Olivia Boatman (flute) and Dr. Rosângela Sebba (piano) — Home is Where the Heart Is, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 27, 2024	Ms. Sheri Falcone (clarinet), Dr. Jessica Haislip (oboe), Ms. Anne Katherine Ragsdale (piano), Dr. Daniel Stevens (viola), and Dr. Sophie Wang (piano) — Faculty Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Feb. 29, 2024	State Singers — Requiem Novum, 7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Starkville
Mar. 2, 2024	Dr. Kevin Chance (piano) and Dr. Rosângela Sebba (piano) — Two Pianos Around the World, 2 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Mar. 3, 2024	Community Band — Midwinter Concert, 2 p.m., Sills Band Hall
Mar. 5, 2024	World Music — Hawaiian Hula with Jeremy Kirk (lecture), 7:30 p.m., Music Building Choral Hall
Mar. 6, 2024	Dr. Jackie Edwards-Henry (piano), Dr. Gail Levinsky (saxophone), and The Topaz Trio with Dr. Lorraine Duso Kitts (oboe) — 30 th Anniversary Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Mar. 7, 2024	Philharmonia and Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Spring Fever, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Mar. 23, 2024	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra and Starkville Symphony Chorus — Sea Symphony, 7:30 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Mar. 27, 2024	Philharmonia and The Hip-Hop Orchestra Experience featuring Ensemble Mik Nawooj — Lyceum Series, 7 p.m., Bettersworth Auditorium
Apr. 2, 2024	Studio — Clarinet Choir, Saxophone Quartet, and Saxophone Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 5, 2024	Cantaré and TrebullDawgs — Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 6, 2024	Studio — Solo & Ensemble Festival, 9 a.m., Music Building Choral Hall
Apr. 6, 2024	Dr. Jessica Haislip (oboe) and Dr. Denise Rowan (bassoon) — Double Reed Day, all day, Sills Band Hall/Music Building Recital Hall

Apr. 9, 2024	Wind Ensemble — Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., Betterworth Auditorium
Apr. 12, 2024	Choral Music — Spring Choral Concert featuring OPUS, Schola Cantorum, and State Singers, 7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Starkville
April 13, 2024	Community Music School — Mississippi Music Teachers Association District Evaluations, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Music Building
Apr. 13, 2024	Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Wingo Pops Presents <i>Cinema Paradiso</i> , 7:30 p.m., Betterworth Auditorium
Apr. 14, 2024	Campus, Concert, and Symphonic Bands — Spring Concert, 2 p.m., Betterworth Auditorium
Apr. 15, 2024	Studio — Flute Studio Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 16, 2024	Oboe Studio/Double Reed Quartet — Double Reed Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 20, 2024	Community Music School, Piano Area, and Golden Triangle Music Forum — Honor's Piano Recital featuring Slade Trammell (piano and adjudicator), 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Music Building
Apr. 20, 2024	Percussion Ensemble and Steel Band — Percussion Symposium, 12 p.m., Music Building Choral Hall
Apr. 21, 2024	Community Band — Spring Concert, 2 p.m., Sills Band Hall
Apr. 22, 2024	Jazz Ensemble — Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 23, 2024	Faculty and Student Brass Quintet — Brass Quintet Concert, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 24, 2024	Musical Theatre — <i>Pippin</i> , 7:30 p.m., McComas Theatre
Apr. 25, 2024	Musical Theatre — <i>Pippin</i> , 7:30 p.m., McComas Theatre
Apr. 26, 2024	Musical Theatre — <i>Pippin</i> , 7:30 p.m., McComas Theatre
Apr. 27, 2024	Musical Theatre — <i>Pippin</i> , 7:30 p.m., McComas Theatre
Apr. 28, 2024	Musical Theatre — <i>Pippin</i> , 2 p.m., McComas Theatre
Apr. 29, 2024	Studio — Piano Studio Recital, 7:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall
Apr. 30, 2024	Philharmonia and Starkville-MSU Symphony Orchestra — Summer State of Mind, 7:30 p.m., Downtown Starkville
May 4, 2024	Community Music School — Recital, 10 - 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Music Building Recital Hall



PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Audition Dates

Band:

Jan. 26, 2024

Sills Band Hall

(Honor Band Clinic Participants Only)

Feb. 10, 2024

Sills Band Hall

Mar. 16, 2024

Sills Band Hall

Choral:

Nov. 10, 2023

Music Building Choral Hall

Feb. 17, 2024

Music Building Choral Hall

Mar. 8, 2024

Music Building Choral Hall

April 5, 2024

Music Building Choral Hall

Piano & Strings:

Jan. 5, 2024

Music Building

Feb. 10, 2024

Music Building

Mar. 8, 2024

Music Building

Mar. 16, 2024

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April 1, 2024

Music Building

April 5, 2024

Music Building

Auditions can also be scheduled by individual appointment by contacting the faculty in your applied area. For more information about Choral Auditions and Scholarships, visit www.statesings.com/auditions. For more information about other Auditions and Scholarships, visit www.music.msstate.edu/students/scholarships.

Degree Options

Bachelor of Music Education

The Bachelor of Music Education degree prepares students for careers as professional music educators. Our graduates have gone on to have successful teaching careers at all levels of education. The Music Department offers the Bachelor of Music Education degree in four areas:

- Instrumental
- Vocal
- Piano
- Guitar

Bachelor of Music Performance

The Bachelor of Music in Performance is a 120-hour professional degree program that prepares students to work independently towards performance at the highest possible level; possess knowledge of applicable solo and ensemble literature; and to gain experience with the fundamentals of music pedagogy. The Department of Music offers four concentrations of the Bachelor of Music Performance:

- Instrumental
- Vocal
- Keyboard
- Guitar

Bachelor of Arts

The Music Department offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in a liberal arts tradition of music study. This flexible degree program provides talented musicians the opportunity to explore music study on various levels and in a variety of areas.

Master of Music Education

MSU's Master of Music Education program is both unique and practical, designed to fit into the busy lives of current music teachers. It is a hybrid program (a combination of summer and online courses) designed to support music professionals in the advancement of both their pedagogical and musical skills. Included in the degree is performance practice, conducting, pedagogy, curriculum, music theory, history, and the essentials of research in music education.

Minor in Music

Mississippi State University offers students the opportunity to complete a minor in music. The general music minor is a comprehensive set of courses designed to increase student musicianship and knowledge.

Minor in Music and Culture

The Music Department offers a minor in music and culture for students interested in non-Western music, especially the music of Africa and the African Diaspora.



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