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**Noteworthy News from the Langley Community Music School**

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## Announcing LCMS Resident String Quartet

LCMS is excited to welcome the Pacific Rim String Quartet as resident ensemble for the 2010/11 academic year. The PRSQ (Li-Ling Liao, violin, Ruth Huang, violin, Robin Streb, viola, and Brian Mix, cello) includes two members of LCMS' faculty. Founded in 2007, this group has quickly established itself as a fast rising ensemble, having performed throughout Canada, the US, Europe and Taiwan.



*The Pacific Rim String Quartet: Li-Ling Liao (violin), Ruth Huang (violin), Robin Streb (viola) and Brian Mix (cello)*

This summer, the Quartet will be on faculty at the *Pulse* Creative and Innovative Chamber Music Program and Festival. In the fall, they will be taking the stage in collaboration with the Bergmann Duo for the second Rose Gellert Hall series concert. In February they will present an all-Beethoven concert for the Concerts Café Classico series, followed by a programme of Shostakovich string quartets in May.

## Extra! Extra!

### *New Music Programs for 2011 School Year* **Children's Choir**

This new LCMS program provides students with the fundamentals of choral singing through exploration of a variety of musical styles and genres.

### **Percussion Ensemble**

This fun, dynamic, and educational class features drumming and percussion styles from around the world. Participants will learn a variety of styles and rhythms such as Brazilian Samba, Salsa patterns from Cuba and Puerto Rico, West African drumming, Indian Bangra, Eastern European Gypsy, and Spanish Flamenco. Students will also play the main keyboard percussion instruments: xylophone, marimba, and orchestral glockenspiel.

### **Group Guitar**

This is a course for students interested in studying guitar in a group setting. Classes will explore a variety of musical styles. Students will be grouped according to age and playing level.

## BC Summer Games

When the BC Summer Games come to the Township of Langley this summer, LCMS will have an important role to play. Susan Magnusson, Co-Chair of Ceremonies and member of the TOL BC Summer Games Committee, has been working hard with Ceremonies Co-Chair Karen Pledger, Chair of Marshalling Joel Stobbe and Chair of Entertainment Chris Parsons (alumnus) to put on ceremonies that will be remembered for years to come.

The ceremonies team has already received many accolades for the spectacular torch-lighting that was held this spring at the Langley Events Centre. A highlight of this event was LCMS alumna vocalist Tiffany Desrosiers, who will also be singing live at the Opening Ceremonies. She will sing "Because I Dream," composed especially for the games by Doug Johnson (member of Loverboy and LCMS Life Member).

The LCMS Orchestra and Fiddlers will also be involved in the ceremonies. And true to form, LCMS faculty member Joel Stobbe will be marshalling in the athletes on his unicycle!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**June 12, 2010, 2:30 pm**

Year End Concert and 40th  
Anniversary Celebration

**June 22, 2010, 7 pm**

Symphony Orchestra Final Concert

**July 5-August 1**

Summer Programs at LCMS  
(See page 3 for details.)

**September 7, 2010**

Fall lessons begin

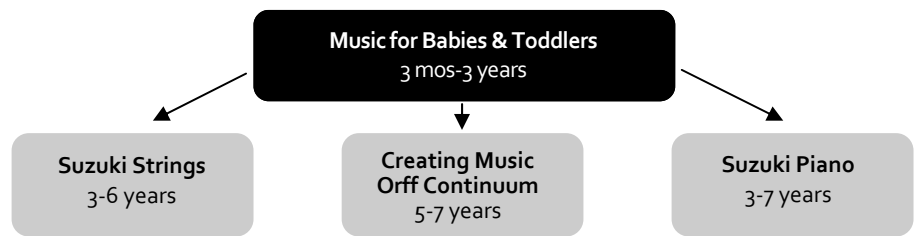
# Where do we go from here?

## Early Learning Programs at LCMS

**Where do we go from here?** That's a question many of our early learning parents and caregivers have, especially if their children participated in the Music for Babies and Toddlers and the Preschool Orff Music Program. We've learned that many feel once their children have completed our early learning programs, they will move on to other endeavors outside the world of musical training... at least for a while.

It's important to know that LCMS offers children an ongoing "road to music education" and there is no need to stop the journey, at any age. If your child has attended Preschool Music Classes at LCMS, they have benefited from a creative community of learners. Students have gained language and early literacy skills through song, rhymes, and dance. They have also played a variety of instruments as soloists and ensemble players. Through these experiences, they have encountered many positive social situations, and received the tools and opportunities to communicate with their peers and others in a positive way.

As you move on to a new chapter of learning with your child, consider the benefits of continuing your journey on LCMS' 'road to music education'. Scientific research confirms the advantage music training provides. Listening to music does



not involve whole-brain function; playing a musical instrument does. Music-making stimulates both sides of the brain, integrating pitch, melody/harmony, and rhythm (right hemisphere) with analysis of changes in frequency and intensity (left side). Students participating in musical instrument studies have increased capacity to think, reason, and create. They score consistently higher at school, and are most likely to succeed in higher educational endeavors. They are equipped to achieve excellence through their music studies.

A desire to learn is nurtured through the successful accomplishment of skills mastered. The study of music, its order and creativity, enhances the desire to learn in every individual.

Many parents and caregivers feel that life is busy and it's crowding out time for study. Don't lose the momentum gained – consider enrolling your child in one of the new **Creating Music** classes starting this September. These weekly classes are designed for children ages 5 and 6 (Exploring Music) and ages 6 and 7 (Music Adventures). They will continue to build on the musical experiences started in preschool classes - giving your child the opportunity to play and share music.

*LCMS offers various options to young students wishing to continue their musical journey.*

It may also be time for your child to begin individual instrument study. LCMS is recognized as one of the finest music education centres in the country, with many knowledgeable, experienced instructors for all ages.

Information on our specific instrument instruction programs is available at the Registration desk as well as on our website [www.langleymusic.com](http://www.langleymusic.com). We encourage you to speak with our instructors and other families who have been part of the Langley Community Music School experience.



The benefits of music-making are endless. It's important to value these unique learning experiences, and to create a place for them in our lives. Set aside time for your children to continue their musical journey.



# NEWS

## Registration Reminder *Sign up now for Summer Programs and Fall Lessons and Classes!*

We've got something for everyone to enjoy in summer 2010. LCMS is offering students a number of great opportunities to make music. Programs start as early as July, so visit the school's office or website to learn more.

**School of Rock** July 5-9

**Playing with Music** July 12-16

**Strings in Summer** (Various Wednesdays)

**Suzuki Summer Student Workshop** July 18-22

**Suzuki Teacher Development Workshops** July 16-24

**Music for Babies and Toddlers** July 19-22

**Pre-Twinkle Introductory Violin** July 19-22

**Pulse Innovative & Creative Chamber Music Workshop & Festival** July 23 - August 1

**Young Composers Competition** July 29

(Submission Deadline July 9)

Fall registration officially kicked off last month. Book your space today before it's too late. Check music lessons off your list before summer officially begins, and know you're all set for September. Registration forms are available online or at the school office.

## New Registration Policies

### Monthly Instalments

If you choose to pay tuition by instalments, please take note that tuition for private lessons is now payable in **eight instalments by post-dated cheques**. This is a change from the previous years, where payments were in nine instalments. As always, **fees are payable in advance of lessons**, and all post-dated cheques must be received by the school before the first lesson begins. Due to the staff time involved, for those accounts where full payment or post-dated cheques are not received in advance of the first lesson, a **\$10 processing fee per month** will be added to the account.

### Cancellation Policy

When you register for lessons, there is a commitment between you and the teacher for the full 36 week term. The student has an agreement with the teacher to complete the year. Refunds are only permitted for moving out of the area or for prolonged illness or injury (doctor's note required.) A cancellation fee equivalent to two lessons will apply.

*Please see the 2010/11 registration form for complete policies.*

## BULLETIN BOARD - STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Royal Conservatory of Music Exams

Francis Armstrong-Douglas, Rudiments II, First Class Honours

Melissa Clark, History IV, First Class Honours

Julian Cho, Rudiments I, First Class Honours

Sophia Lee, Grade 6 Violin, First Class Honours  
With Distinction.

Jason Lin Grade 9 Flute, First Class Honours

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### American Protégé International Piano & Strings Competition - Under 10 category

Celine Pao (piano), 1<sup>st</sup> place

Peter Pao (cello), 1<sup>st</sup> place

### Kiwanis Music Festival – Fraser Valley (2010)

Sunny Chan (violin) Unaccompanied Bach-Gold,  
Romantic-Gold, Concerto-Gold

Jordan Hagen, Grade 5 violin, Gold and Silver

Eunbi Kim (violin), Unaccompanied Bach-Gold,  
Classical-Silver, Romantic-Gold.

Melissa Lee (violin), Three Gold and One Silver

Sophia Lee (violin), Three Gold, One Silver & Kiwanis Fraser  
Valley Festival Award (\$100) for the most promising  
intermediate string student

Yoomin Park (violin), Two Silver and Two Bronze

LCMS Fuerte Fouco Quartet (Sunny Chan, Eunbi  
Kim, Rebekah Schumacher, Kitty Chan) Gold,  
Provincials, first place runner up

Kitty Chan (cello) - runner up in  
Provincials senior strings category

Peter Pao (cello) - honourable mention in  
Provincials junior strings category

Rueben Jansen (cello) received the Lucille Lewis Award  
(\$50) to a promising senior string student.

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Elyse Doerksen (piano) was awarded a \$500  
Rob Moris scholarship toward a Music  
Diploma at Kwantlen College

Sunny Chan has been accepted into the  
National Youth Orchestra this summer.

Rebecca Jansen has been accepted into the  
Music (Voice) programme at  
Trinity Western University.





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## DISCOVER

### Great Artists. Great Music

#### Sneak Peek - 10/11 Concert Season

##### Rose Gellert Hall Series

September 25, 2010

The opening concert of the season promises to be a special one when internationally acclaimed Canadian pianist, **Anton Kuerti** along with the German **Jacques Thibaud String Trio** will present works by **Mozart, Beethoven** and **Goetz**.

October 29, 2010

LCMS ensemble in residence, the **Pacific Rim String Quartet** and the **Bergmann Piano Duo** will join forces in this unusual combination to perform arrangements and original compositions by composers such as **Bach, Piazzolla** and **Moross**.

January 15, 2011

From Toronto, cabaret songstress **Patricia O'Callaghan** will present an entertaining programme featuring the songs of **Kurt Weill** and **Leonard Cohen**. Bass player **Andrew Downing** and Vancouver Opera Chorusmaster and conductor of the Vancouver Bach Choir **Les Dala** will be accompanying her on piano.

Spring 2011

LCMS will present a special Jazz concert featuring former faculty members and alumni. **Amanda Tosoff**, piano, **Brad Turner**, trumpet, and **Mike Magnusson**, drums, will give an upbeat performance to end the season.

##### Café Classico Series

October 1, 2010 10 am (Friday)

LCMS faculty member and violinist **Yuri Zaidenberg** along with his pianist will present works by **Schumann** and **Schnittke**.

November 26, 2010 7 pm (Friday)

The 22 year old currently studying at the Glenn Gould School in Toronto and **winner of the 2010 E-Gré Competition Claudia Chan**, will present a contemporary programme of solo piano music.

January 30, 2011 3 pm (Sunday)

LCMS piano faculty member **Bernie Duerksen** and guest string members of the **West Coast Chamber Players** will perform **Bohuslav Martinu's** magnificent piano quartet.

February 27, 2011 3 pm (Sunday)

**Pacific Rim String Quartet** will perform an all **Beethoven** programme.

April 15, 2011 10 am (Friday)

Hear and experience multi-instrumentalist drummer, percussionist and composer **Bruce Henzcel** in an entertaining programme that will range from **Cuban Salsa** to **Eastern European gypsy** music.

May 13, 2011 (Friday)

**Pacific Rim String Quartet** will feature **Shostakovich** string quartets.



## Subscribe Today and Save 15% on Tickets!

Discover all that the Rose Gellert Hall and Concerts Café Classico series have to offer this season. Subscribe to one of our seasons and save on individual ticket prices, and ensure you don't miss a thing.

**Rose Gellert Hall: Adult \$82/ Senior \$73/ Student \$58/ LCMS Student \$39**

**Concerts Café Classico: Adult \$77/ Senior \$67/ Student \$51**

**Concerts Café Classico Flex Pass: Adult \$54/ Senior \$47 (Four tickets included)**

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The **Nominating Committee** is interested in receiving nominations for positions on the Board of Directors. We are looking for community-minded individuals who support the School and are interested in contributing their time, skills and experience to help further its mission.

Eligibility for the position requires membership prior to the election which takes place at the Annual General Meeting held on Monday, October 18, 2010 and requires nomination by two current members of the Society who have held membership for at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

The position is voluntary and requires a time commitment of approximately 10 hours per month. Nomination forms are available on the website ([www.langleymusic.com](http://www.langleymusic.com)) or at the School.