



CALOS NEWS

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RECENT EVENTS:

Feb. 7 Rehearsal

Here are some photos of our last get together, just to remind us all that as we work on line, we are working forward to a better time and hopefully our upcoming concerts in April and May.

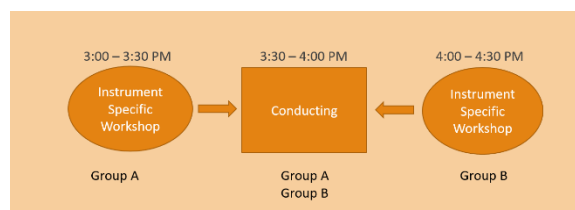


We would like to thank Anna Graham and Daniel Browne for leading our cello and bassoon sectionals on Feb. 7. As well, our thanks to the continuous direction proved by Mr. Etchegary, Ms. Dunsmore, Mr. Geene, Hannah Gaultois and Ethan MacGowan during sectionals and full group rehearsals.



Back to Online – for Now!

On Feb. 21, our first session back after our scheduled break on Feb. 14, Mr. Etchegary explained our new structure going forth. For the next few weeks we are providing a different structure for our online sections, so that we use screen time more effectively.



We were also introduced to our first of three Conducting Sessions, led by Mr. Etchegary.

Feb. 28, Mar. 7 and 21 sessions included our full group session and 18 breakout rooms. Our thanks to Annie Corrigan, Chelsea Abbott, Connor Rodkin, Daniel Browne, Elena Vigna, Hillary Simms, Mahina Graham-Laidlaw, and Matthew Hardy for joining with our weekly faculty of conductors and coaches for making this happen, and to the Government of NL Youth Leadership grant and Arts NL for financial assistance in hire these university and professional musicians.

Special Guest Artist, Ofra Harnoy: March 21

We were thrilled to have Ms. Harnoy speak to the full orchestra and to lead a special cello sectional in the Group B timeframe.



Ms. Harnoy is a five time Juno Award-winning cellist, born in Israel, who moved to Toronto at the age of six. Harnoy gave her first professional performance as a solo cellist at the age of 10. By the time she was 14 years old, she was recording and performing full time. Ms. Harnoy spent most of her teen and young adult years in the 1980s and 1990s performing, recording, and receiving accolades all over the world. She is currently living in St. John's and was recently highlighted in an NSO concert this Fall.

2020-21 Social Media New Player Intros!

Our third new musician introduction comes from the Percussion section of the Orchestra.

MICHAEL GRANDY



We are very pleased to introduce Michael Grandy, a new percussion player in CYO! Michael, currently a grade 12 student at O'Donel High School in Mount Pearl, has been receiving percussion instruction from Bryan Efford (Music Collection) for 11 years. Bryan is also his instructor for Music Collection Drumline ensemble, a group with which Michael has performed for 9 years for thousands of people at Christmas parades, Newfoundland Summer Games, national men's curling Tim Hortons Brier, Friday night lights football games, National Basketball League regular season and playoff games for the St. John's Edge, as well as annually at Nevaeh's Lemonade Stand and the Mount Pearl Frosty Festival. In preparation for MUN School of

Music audition, Michael also takes piano and guitar lessons with Don Boland (Music Collection). Michael has been employed as a Historical Interpreter for Signal Hill Tattoo, for two years, where he would meet and greet spectators while in uniform, drumming up to eight shows a week, reenacting the 1795 Royal Newfoundland Regiment Band. During the Tattoo he performs on snare but his favorite instrument is tenor which he plays in Music Collection Drumline. Michael has a variety of performance experiences, including the Signal Hill Visitor Centre, Lieutenant Governor's Garden Party and Agnes Pratt Home. For about 6 years he has been utilizing Ableton Live as his favorite software to create original music including Drumline cadences, three of which are currently used in his drumline ensemble. In the fall of 2021, Michael hopes to be successful in his application to attend MUN School of Music.

Musician Accomplishments

This past month, many of our musicians have auditioned for and been accepted at MUN School of Music. Congratulations are extended to Julia Cass, Michael Grandy, Elizaveta Konstantinova and Abby McCarthy on their acceptances. As well, Liza was honored as recipient of the Debut Atlantic Award for Musical Excellence.

Well done! CALOS is so proud of everyone.

Dates of Note

- Online Sessions (Mar. 7, 21, 28)
- **No Rehearsals, March 14 – NLESD Holiday; April 4 – Easter Sunday**
- Calos Board Zoom Meeting: Monday, April 12, 7:30 pm
- Calos Parent Fundraising Committee Zoom Meeting: Monday, April 19, 7 pm