



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER:

- Nov. 5—Jazz Band Concert, Jones Auditorium, 7:00 pm
- Nov. 10—Drury Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band Concert, Jones Auditorium, 7:00 pm
- Nov. 11—Concert Band plays at Veteran's Day Convocation, Williams Memorial Chapel, 7:00 pm
- Nov. 12—Ronald Radford lecture and demonstration, Newman Recital Hall, 4:00 pm and concert, Royal Oak Forum, Keeter Center, 7:30 pm

Take note

Noteworthy Headlines from the
College of the Ozarks
Music Department

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Congratulations! Three Voice Students Honored at NATS Competition

Vocal students from the studio of Associate Professor, Lynda Jesse, participated in the Springfield area NATS competition at Evangel University on Tuesday, October 15. NATS, The National Association of Teachers of Singing, Inc., was founded in 1944 and is now the largest association of teachers of singing in the world. Today, NATS boasts more than 6,500 members in the U.S., Canada and in over 25 other countries around the world. It also offers a variety of lifelong learning experiences to its members such as workshops, intern programs, master classes, and offers competitions for students at the local, state, regional and national levels.

The vocalists from the

College of the Ozarks competed with other singers from MSU, Drury, Evangel and SBU. Each singer per-



From left to right: accompanists Grant Allen, Margaret Erickson, and Amanda Brinkmann, and singers Dominique Bennett, Betsy Wilson, Leslie Fredendall, Josiah Fulk, and Stephanie Fitzgerald.

formed three selections which include an art song in a foreign language, an opera or oratorio aria and a 20th century piece by an American or British composer. Betsy Wilson competed in the Freshman women's division, Josiah

Fulk competed in the Freshman men's division, and Sophomores Stephanie Fitzgerald, Leslie Fredendall, and Dominique Bennett competed in their respective divisions. The students were accompanied by student accompanists Grant Allen and Amanda Brinkmann and by staff accompanist, Margaret Erickson.

The singers were judged by faculty members from the combined colleges and one winner and one runner-up was selected from each division. Josiah Fulk and Stephanie Fitzgerald were selected as runners-up in their divisions, and Leslie Fredendall tied for 1st place in her division. The 1st place winners received a cash award and performed in the Honor's Recital at the conclusion of the evening's events.

Drury Ensembles to Perform at College of the Ozarks

Recently, the Wind Ensemble from Drury University, directed by Mr. Christopher Koch, was selected by audition to perform at the 2009 MMEA (Missouri Music Educators Association) Conference at Tan-Tar-A Resort in January. In preparation for their performance, they have been touring through-

out the state playing selections from their conference repertoire.

The College of the Ozarks is honored to be a part of this tour on Monday, November 10, 2008, when the ensemble will give a concert in Jones Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

The Drury University

Jazz Band, directed by Tina Claussen, will perform along with the Wind Ensemble. Don't miss out on this great concert!



C of O Jazz Band to Perform Convocation



The Jazz Combo performs for an event at the Keeter Center. From front to back: John Willis, Joshua Hickam, and Ashley Napier

On Wednesday, November 5th, the college's convocation schedule presents the C of O Jazz Band. At 7:00 pm the campus will be filled with the musical stylings of jazz. Both the big band and jazz combo will be entertaining students, faculty and community members. The director, Al Lohman, plans for a big turn out and naturally will kick the convocation off to a big band start with a tune by Dave Brumbaugh called

Chameleon. The big band will be performing other classics such as St. Thomas, The Rose, and Jump Jive and Wail. The smaller, but no less impressive, jazz combo will be adding to the experience. Their rhythm section combined with saxes and singers enrich the stage with unique jazz skill and style. This convocation is expected to be one of the best and most entertaining of the year.

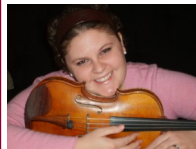
The Jazz Band and Combo have already been busy this semester with rehearsals and community gigs, in preparation for a trip in the Spring to an out of state Jazz Festival. Come support this talented group of musicians!



"A painter paints pictures on canvas. But musicians paint their pictures on silence."
—Leopold Stokowski

C of O Welcomes New Adjunct Instructors

The College of the Ozarks music department is proud to have two new staff members this year. Mrs. Jill Woodhouse, strings instructor, and Mr. Robert Smither, brass instructor are both contributing greatly to our instrumental music program here at C of O.



Jill Woodhouse earned her Bachelor's degree in violin performance from Missouri State University in 2006, and was awarded a Graduate Assistantship to continue her studies. She served as concertmaster of the Missouri State Symphony and Chamber Orchestra for five years, and is in her sixth season as a member of the first violin section in the Springfield Symphony Orchestra. She has performed with many groups such as the St. Louis Symphony Youth

Orchestra, the Chamber Orchestra of the Ozarks, the Fort Smith Symphony, the Camelo String Quartet, and for several productions with the Springfield Regional Opera and Springfield Little Theatre. She has been a teacher with the Play His Praises Home School Orchestra for four years. In the summer of 2005, Jill attended the Starling-DeLay Symposium on Violin Studies at the Juilliard School in New York City. In May 2008, Jill received her Master of Music degree in violin performance from Missouri State University. She enjoys performing, baking, and spending time with her husband.

Bob Smither is a 1982 graduate of College of the Ozarks, where he obtained his Bachelor's degree in trumpet performance. After he finished here, he attended the University of Oklahoma and received his Master of Musi-

cal Arts in Performance. From there, he went on to join the US Military Academy Band at West Point, NY. He spent 23 1/2 years performing with the band, during which time he was privileged to play for four different presidents, and numerous celebrities. On March 1st, 2008 he retired with the rank of Sergeant Major. Mr. Smither has performed in many orchestras and ensembles through the years, including the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, the Oklahoma City Symphony, and the Hudson Valley Philharmonic. In his experience, performing for presidents, heads of state, celebrities, and other notable Americans, Mr. Smither says that he has felt most honored to perform TAPS for hundreds of fallen veterans over the years.





Concert Band and Women's Ensemble to Travel

This month, two ensembles from the C of O Music Department have a unique performance opportunity. On Friday, November 14, 2008, the Concert Band and the

Women's Ensemble will travel to Eureka Springs. These groups, consisting of over 50 musicians combined, will give an outdoor concert at 12:00 pm at Basin Street Park. Both

groups will perform patriotic, traditional, inspirational, and holiday music. It is sure to be a fun day of musical experience and fellowship for both of these ensembles.

“Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is

impossible

to be silent”

—Victor Hugo

Flamenco Guitarist to Come to C of O

Ronald Radford, American master of the Flamenco guitar, will be performing at College of the Ozarks on November 12.

Born in California and raised in Oklahoma, Radford now lives in St.

Louis, MO. He learned Flamenco when he moved to Spain to study under some of the great Gypsy Flamenco guitar masters. In his career as a performer, he has traveled to fifteen different countries and is now touring colleges and Universities across the United States. He has performed at

Carnegie Hall, as well as Kennedy Center, and now has a new CD, *Viva Flamenco!*, that is available worldwide.

Radford will be giving a lecture and demonstration on Wednesday, November 12 at 4:00 p.m. in the Newman Recital Hall, as well as a full concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Royal Oak Auditorium at the Keeter Center.

Financial assistance for this project has been provided by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

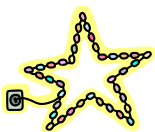


Christmas Just Around the Corner at C of O

Don't forget to watch for these upcoming Christmas events taking place at College of the Ozarks!

Friday, December 5, 2008—

Annual tree-lighting ceremony at the Keeter Center. Join us for holiday music and refreshments between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.



Sunday, December 14, 2008—

Annual Christmas Card Concert in Williams Memorial Chapel, 7:00 p.m. Come hear a variety of Christmas music as performed by the C of O ensembles, including: Handbell Choir, Women's Ensemble, Chapel Choir, Chorale, and a Chamber Orchestra consisting of C of O and community members.



November Performers

*Dobyns Dining Hall,
Keeter Center*

Oct. 30—Caleb Lawson, Piano
Oct. 31—Grant Allen/Ethan Hall, Piano/Sax
Nov. 1—Grant Allen, Piano
Nov. 2—Cherish Higgins/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals

Nov. 6—Amy Ziler/Leslie Fredendall, Piano/
Vocals

Nov. 7—Grant Allen/Ethan Hall, Piano/Sax
Nov. 8—Amanda Brinkmann/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals

Nov. 13—Caleb Lawson, Piano
Nov. 14—Amanda Brinkmann/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals
Nov. 15—Cherish Higgins, Piano/Vocals
Nov. 16—Amanda Kull, Violin

Nov. 9—Amanda Brinkmann, Piano

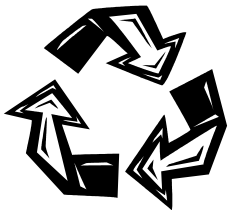
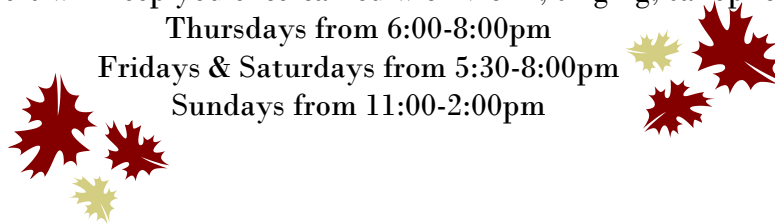
Keeter Center Performers for Thanksgiving Break (Nov. 21-30) are yet to be determined.

Come join us for dinner at the Keeter Center at College of the Ozarks, where our music department workers will keep you entertained with violin, singing, saxophone, or piano!

Thursdays from 6:00-8:00pm

Fridays & Saturdays from 5:30-8:00pm

Sundays from 11:00-2:00pm



Save a tree! Email us at music@cofo.edu (Attn: Leslie) and give us your email address, and we will send your newsletters to you electronically.

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