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**A Concert of the Arts where
Mentors and Protegees meet!**

Friday, February 25, 2011 at 7:00PM

Norris Cultural Arts Center

1040 Dunham Road St. Charles, IL

-Purchase tickets at the door

-Suggested Donation: \$10/adult, \$1/student

-Proceeds will benefit District 303 students



French Horn,
Rob Murphy

Bagpipes,
Jacalyn Flynn



Violin,
Andy Masters



Cellist,
Sandy Sebolt-Pogge

Vocalist, Mary Hunt



Pianist,
Larry Dieffenbach



Visual Artist,
Cheri Hunt



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Dear Friends,

In an effort to promote the Arts, raise funds for grants, and celebrate the accomplishments of students, teachers and local professional artists, The Greater St. Charles Education Foundation created ArtFusion. This event is an art concert where mentors and protégées meet.

This evening includes performances by jazz bands, rock bands, jazz singers, Pianist, bagpipers, dancers, visual artists and much more. We are very grateful to the 7 mentors/local professional artists who are donating their time and talent to support this event. They are Cheri Hunt, Rob Murphy, Mary Hunt, Andy Masters, Larry Diffenbach, Sandra Sebolt-Pogge, and Jacalyn Flynn. In addition to the local professional artists, today's performers include art and music students and teachers of District 303. Students in other disciplines such as math and science show that art is everywhere.

Please visit the Art gallery during intermission to view the various artworks. The students worked very hard and are proud to share their talent with you. Under the direction of Cheri Hunt, there will be 6 student artists who will be creating artwork that will be part of the Live auction.

Thank you for coming out in support of this new event. Your presence and generosity demonstrate your support of the Arts and send a clear message to the community that you value the work of our teachers, students and local artists.

On behalf of the Education Foundation board of directors, we would like to thank all the Principals, teachers, directors, students, parents and local artists for their support. A very special thanks to Rebecca Hubbs for coordinating the visual art category of ArtFusion. Together with Becky Blane, Lukie Miller and Cheri Hunt, they made the art display look very professional and inviting.

We would like to offer special thanks to Dr. Donald Schlomann for his support of the Arts and this event. We also thank Jim Blaney and John Reichling from the Administration and Scott Knowling, School Board Liaison for their support.

We thank Joan Granquist and John Mizanin of The Norris Cultural Center for their support. A special thank you to Faubourg Ballet School and Rachel Martens.

Last but not least, we would like to thank our colleagues and fellow board members for their help and support. All of the board members will be wearing black ArtFusion T-shirts, please thank them for volunteering their time, talent and treasure over the years.

Sincerely,

*Nadia BlancDaley & Debra Mulrooney
ArtFusion Co-Chairs
The Greater St. Charles Education Foundation*

About The Greater St. Charles Education Foundation . . .

The Greater St. Charles Education Foundation is a non-profit organization established in May 1992 to promote excellence in education through community awareness, involvement, and philanthropy. The Foundation accepts and disburses contributions, gifts, and bequests from individuals, groups, or businesses to enhance the educational opportunities offered to students of our school district, opportunities not otherwise available through regular funding resources.

Since its inception, the Foundation has raised over \$1,000,000

to benefit District 303 students. These funds have been applied to increasing the district's technological resources and supporting innovative programs through the provision of grants to teachers, staff and administrators. Previous grants have included problem solving and conflict resolution training and science/environmental research and education. Funds have also been distributed to promote the arts through the provision of musical instruments, music recording equipment, photography equipment, etc., and by sponsoring stimulating and inspiring art, music, and literary festivals .

The Foundation also uses the funds to annually award four \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from St. Charles East and St. Charles North High Schools.

The Greater St. Charles Education Foundation supports the more than 13,800 students of Community Unit School District 303. For more information about the Foundation, please visit our web site www.stceducation.com or email us at info@stceducation.com.



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St. Charles East

Jazz Workshop

Director—Jim Kull

Foundation Group

Flute Duet

Alina O'Donnell, Lucy Tykal,

Vocalist

Mary Hunt

Guitarist—Brandon Theis

St. Charles North

Vocal Jazz Workshop

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Sean Topacio

Torie Pletkovich

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Cory Ratcliff

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Justin Sanchez

Katelyn VanPetten

Wredling Middle School

Saxophone Quartet

Director—Mike Bazan

Palmer Corbett, Michael Carbonell, Kyle Decker, Marissa Maniglia

Ray & Alex Somera

Acoustic Guitar

**Alex Murphy, 8th grade, Wredling M.S.
Alex Stombres, 12th grade, St. Charles East H. S.
Jazz Piano Duo**

**Rob Murphy
French Horn
Piano Accompanist.....Deborah Ayotte
3rd Movement, Allegro of the 3rd Horn Concert....W.A.Mozart**

90 miles an Hour

Rock Band

Matthew Dugan– Bass Guitar, Charlie Hearn– Guitar,

Luke Molloy—Drums, Lucas Werner—Lead Singer

Float On..... by Modest Mouse

Californiaby The Red Hot Chili Peppers

INTERMISSION (10 minutes)

Please visit the Art Gallery on the second floor where the students' artwork is displayed.

You can view the newly created student artwork that will be auctioned off in the live auction. Under the direction of Cheri Hunt, the students created amazing art pieces in just a few hours!

St. Charles color prints are available for sale, sponsored by the Downtown Partnership.

T-shirts and ArtFusion posters are available for purchase in the lobby.

Elementary Schools' Honors Orchestra
Making its debut performance
Conductors– Andy Masters, Angie Wifler, and Rita Borkowski.

Let's Rock.....By Michael Sweeney
Cardiff Castleby Mark Williams

Violin 1		Violin 2	
Charlie	Ambrose	Rachel	Day
Stella	Childs	Brennan	Eng
Reema	Dhar	Colin	Johnson
Gianne	Garcia	Cassidy	Joyce
Lindsey	Haugen	Lindsey	O'Driscoll
Crystal	Kotvan	Josselynn	Rodriquez
Adam	Ngyuen	Annabel	Sengstock
Claire	Pienkowski	David	Shannon
Alyssa	Rodway	Addison	Strachan
Amelia	Simpson	Jack	Wartman
Vanessa	Wiezien		
Olivia	Zimmerman		
Viola		Cello	
Samantha	Allan	Franz	Allendorfer
Saffron	Bruno	Colin	DesRoches
Tommy	Corbett	Anna	Ezop-Vargas
Becca	Ducay	Severance	Graham
Chloe	Fanning	Matt	Nagler
Kevin	Hou	Eleanor	Sarns
Alex	Laskowski	Katie	Swenson
Jordyn	McVicar	Hannah	Wilging
Melanie	Pannell		
Meredith	Reber		
Jacob	Rollins	Bass	
Klaudia	Sowizral	Dan	Hommowun
Grace	Westerhoff	Brendan	Kaplan
		Jenna	Walsh

Andy Masters
Violin Solo

Elementary Schools' Honors Band
Making its debut performance
Director—Joe Bloomquist

Flutes

Thomas Beirne

Saffron Bruno
Elise Dressel
Amy Farrow
Nicole Gerke
Lindsey Haugen
Daniel Hommowun
Jessica Johnson
Alexa Maiello
Jordyn McVicar
Kate Schildmeyer
Erica Sieck
Hannah Smiley
Sarah Spackman
Addison Strachan
Riley Sullivan
Emma Wacker
Olivia Zimmermann

Clarinets

Charlie Ambrose
Jazmyne Behrends
Mary Beirne
Madeline Bell
Jake Bridges
Margaret Bronec
Hayden Clark
Crismelle Dabu
Charlotte Didier
Ryan Doles
Emily Erickson
Audrey Ernst
Mary Fedele
Rachel Fischer
Emma Hardwick
Gianna Maiello
George Morency
Adam Nguyen

Clarinets Continued

JT Oie
Rachel Oshana
Sydney Peterson
Hayley Popiel
Allyson Stoops
Georgia Strauss
Jillian Waslawski
Claire Westenberger
Ali Wetsch

Oboes

Andrew Groomes
Kevin Hou
Alanna Naegele
Skylar Nafziger
Cece Rowland

Alto Saxophones

Niko Derain
Erik Gustafson
Crystal Kotvan
Grace Quinn
Hannah Willging

Trumpets

Nicky Basich
Jameson D'Amico
Andrew Fick
Patrick Gerkin
Leighton Glim
Kevin Kathe
Carson Kinzer
Alex McDonald
Mitch Milosch
Meredith Reber
Ryan Seales
Nick Skurka
Hannah Springer
Tanner Stay
Katie Swenson

French Horns

Samantha Allen
Trevor Golnick
Jacob Rollins
Audrey Treadwell

Trombones

David Basich
Patrick Brady
Avalon Bruno
Alyssa Domaracki
Sean Galle
Joey Hocking
Kyle Hoferle
Brett Strzelecki
Owen Tykal

Baritones

Jessica Egger
Meghan Gunnink
Darrius Porter
Megan Smith

Tubas

Mike Anderson
Dominic Caruso
Matthew McGill

Percussion

Kaitlyn Andrey
Jack Breseman
Liam Drummond
Josiah Hunt
Emily Palmisano
Alec Podl

Haines Middle School
8th Grade String Ensemble
Lauren Conley, Erin Nemetz, Autumn Ratliff, Kathleen Soter-Violins
Christie Beach, Nadia Elshareif-Violas
Nick Graham, Dan Martin—cellos
James Bletz –bass

Eleanor Rigby.....John Lennon,
arr. Bruce Chase

Master Quartet
Andy Masters, Angie Wifler—Violins
Rita Borkowski—Viola
Sandy Sebolt-Pogge—Cello

Scherzo.....Cherubini

Harp
Soloist.....Audrey Ernst
Claire de Lune

Thompson Middle School
7th grade Choir
TMS Choirs & General Music— Michelle Rybski
Somebody to Love.....by Queen

Kirby Birdsong
Alyssa Bowen
Samantha Breen
Catherine Crossen
Megan Diggles
Keith Dwyer
Madelon Giovenco
Mara Handler
Jacqueline Hardy
Carly Heitzler
Amy Hesselroth
Taylor Hirth
Kirstin Johnson

Madilynn Jordan
Nadia Kacmar
Madison Kleba
Blanca Mendez
Sofie Peltier
Ariana Rodriguez
Alexandra Roenspies
Christa Ruff
Amanda Sallman
Arreyellen Salyards
Erin Sastre
Rachael Schwanebeck
Nicole Schwartz
Megan Storms
Blanca Valtierrez

Mentor's Biographies

Cheri Hunt -Visual Artist

Living Well - Art Director (Geneva & CDH)

Teacher - Kids Connection - Art Enrichment, Art History BA Valparaiso University

Masters, Aurora Univ. Founder of Indigo School of Art, St.

Charles, IL. Fox Valley Hospice - Teacher of "Grief Takes a Hike" and "Art Drama" Art Classes at

Lazurus House



Rob Murphy - French Horn

Rob has performed with the Rockford Symphony Orchestra since 1979. He began his musical studies on piano at the age of four.

Rob attended the Royal Conservatory in Antwerp, Belgium and Northern Illinois University. He has studied with Richard Gerstanger of the Boston Symphony, Jonathan Boen of the Chicago Lyric Opera orchestra, and Andre Van Driessche of the Belgium Radio and Television Orchestra.



Many St. Charles residents know him for his years of work as the Director of the St. Charles Art & Music Festival. Rob currently teaches private lessons at his residence and two music studios.

Vocalist **Mary Hunt** and guitarist **Brandon Theis** are the Mary Hunt Duo. The Duo has been making music together for four years and perform every week in St. Charles and Geneva as well as for weddings and other private events. Mary grew up in St. Charles and loved singing from a very early age. Her first voice teacher was John Stoffel, long time and well loved choir director at St. Charles High School.



Mary moved to Boston in 2000 and received a Bachelor of Music from Berklee College of Music in 2004. At Berklee she studied voice with Jeannie Gagne, Mili Bermejo and Maggie Scott. Since then she has been performing regularly in the Chicagoland area and maintains a private voice studio.

Brandon also grew up in St. Charles. He attended both DePaul University and Chicago College of Performing Arts where he studied guitar with John McLean. In addition to his collaboration with Mary, he performs with several other artists in and around the Chicagoland area. Brandon is a member of the faculty at PM Music in Naperville.



Jackie Flynn - Bagpipes - Playing professionally with the *Midlothian Scottish Pipe Band* since the age of 10.

Jackie is a full time grade school teacher and has taught the pipes for more than 15 yrs. Notable performances with the band: Played with Chicago Syphony, Rod Steward and the Chieftains

First pipe band to play in Iceland,

2 -sixth place finishes in the World Pipe Band Competition in Scotland. Jackie currently plays for weddings and funerals and teaches private lessons.

Larry Dieffenbach

Teaches piano in his home in Geneva, IL. He serves on the faculty at Elgin Community College as an instructor of Piano and Class Piano. Larry is the Music Director/Organist at the Little Home Church By The Wayside in Wayne, IL and has been a licensed Kindermusik Instructor for Kindermusik of St. Charles for 18 years.

Larry and Grace Bardsley have co-authored "What If We...? (The Quest and Questions of Leonardo and Athena) " - A music story and curriculum for children five to eight years old. The book is illustrated by Mark Reinhart.

Larry has been on the board of the Waubensee Valley ISMTA, has served as the Dean and sub-dean of The Fox Valley American Guild of Organists, founded the St. Charles International Piano Competition, and is in his sixth year as Musical Director of The American Grands Concerts at Elgin Community College.



Andy Masters, orchestra director at Bell-Graham and Wasco Schools, began playing violin at age 9 and trumpet at age 10. Having musical interests that spanned many varieties and genres, he performed in both band and orchestra through out his schooling which helped shape a diverse and unique musical background. He went on to receive his Bachelor's Degree in music education from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of music and his Master's Degree from Northwestern University in music education with a conducting emphasis. Having a diverse musical background, Mr. Masters enjoys performing, arranging, and composing music that bridges the gaps between traditionally independent musical genres. For example, tonight Mr. Masters will perform music with an electronic loop sequencer on a classical violin, recording live layers of music over each other to create the sounds of a large group with one instrument. Mr. Masters lives in St. Charles with his wife Jenny, also a violinist and orchestra director in Orland Park.



Sandy Sebolt-Pogge—Cellist and Teacher

The Masters Quartet has played together for 6 years. Comprised of St. Charles string educators, the quartet performs at weddings and other functions, and plays every year at the St. Charles String Faculty Recital. Andy Masters teaches at Bell-Graham and Wasco elementaries, and holds a bachelors of Music Ed from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and a Masters in String Education from Northwestern. Angie Wifler teaches at Anderson and Norton Creek Elementaries and holds a bachelors of Music Ed from UW-Stevens Point, a Masters in Education from Aurora University and in 2010 earned her National Board Certification. Rita Borkowski teaches at Fox Ridge and Munhall Elementaries and holds a Bachelors of Music Ed from DePaul and a Masters in String Education from Vandercook College of Music. Sandy Sebolt-Pogge teaches at Haines Middle School and holds a Bachelors of Music Ed from University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a Masters in String Education from Vandercook College of Music.



“Art is all around us and in all disciplines”

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