

SHERIDAN STUDIO WINTER NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Performances

February 21: Northern Virginia Youth Winds Junior and Senior Winds - 3:00, Woodson HS
Come hear wonderful performances by studio members Kristen Halper, James Fothergill, Sarah Beard, Noah Bayer, Elizabeth Bird, Alex Swers, and Whitney Roberts!

March 6: My teacher, **Ricardo Morales**, will be performing with the Philadelphia Orchestra Chamber Players at the Barns of Wolf Trap on Sunday March 6. I will be going, and he's excited to meet any of my students who would like to join me. [Tickets are available by clicking here.](#)
He'll be performing the Mozart Quintet. [Listen to it](#) before attending the concert!

March 12: I will be performing with the Amadeus Orchestra and Fairfax Choral Society ([more info here](#))

April 9: All Virginia Band & Orchestra @ GMU

Solo and Ensemble Festival

REGISTRATION IS ORGANIZED BY YOUR BAND DIRECTOR, not by me. You will get forms from your director and turn them in to your director with the registration fee. I have nothing to do with registration or scheduling. The dates for S&E are Saturday April 16 (District 11 - Robinson, Lake Braddock, Woodson, and their feeders) at Irving MS and April 23 (District 12 - McLean and feeders) at Cooper MS.

Accompanists: As described in our studio handbook, there are many wonderful accompanists in our area. For the past 6 years, I've been working closely with a wonderful pianist, Don Hoffman, who is also a clarinetist in the US Army Band "Pershing's Own". Don and I set up several days of rehearsal together, where students have their rehearsals with the benefit of two professionals coaching them. You are under no obligation to use his services, but if you do, scheduling and rehearsals are organized through me and take place at my house in Fairfax. If you use another wonderful accompanist in the area, you are responsible for setting up rehearsal times on your own. Rehearsal dates are scheduled at my home with Mr. Hoffman for Saturdays & Sundays April 2 & 3 and 9 & 10. You will receive two 20-minute rehearsals and the performance for a total of \$60, payable directly to Mr. Hoffman. Please email him directly to get on his schedule as soon as possible. Tell him your name, your school & grade, and that you study with me. His email is mdhoffman4@verizon.net, phone 703-451-5962. I have contact information for other pianists, including Diane Carsten Pelak and Seyoung Jeong, moms of two of my students, in our studio handbook.

[Click here for the signup for April 2 & 3.](#)

[Click here for the signup for April 9 & 10.](#)

Makeup Lessons

Thanks to #snowzilla, you are all in need of at least one makeup lesson. I have set up additional lesson times for the next 3-4 weeks on weekends and various other empty dates. [Click here to see available slots.](#) (I have added new times, so please check it again to make sure you have the times that suit you best.)

Summer Programs

Summer clarinet & band programs are a wonderful way to advance, learn new things, and have fun. We are very lucky to have many excellent programs in our area. These are just a few camps and clinics.... I'll update as I have more to add to the list!

George Mason University Summer Clarinet Academy

This will be this program's first year, and it will be fantastic. Director Catina Sweedy will have a creative and wonderful array of guest artists, masterclasses, performances, etc. Ages 13-19

<http://potomacacademy.gmu.edu/summer/music/clarinet/>

Vienna Band Camp

The largest summer band program in the area. Ages 4th-9th grade, held at Longfellow MS. I will be on staff again this year.

<http://www.mcleanband.org/vienna-band-camp.html>

Frost-Robinson Band Camp

Similar to Vienna Band Camp but takes place in Fairfax. Website coming soon (info available from your band director)

Concert band camps at various colleges:

JMU: <http://www.jmusbc.com/camp-descriptions/>

UVA: <http://www.cavaliermarchingband.com/cavalier-band-camps>

SweetBriar College: <http://www.midatlanticcamps.com/msconcertcamp.html>

University of Maryland: http://www.music.umd.edu/community/summer_activities/summer_youth_music_camp

UNC-Greensboro: <http://www.smcamp.org/>

Recital

The recital is scheduled for the afternoon of Sunday June 12. More info will be coming soon.

Stay warm!

Kristen