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A Letter from the Directors

The Value of Unplugging


We are both outdoors people. One of the things we love most about this job is that it allows us the chance to spend our summers surrounded by nature with the chance to take walks, hikes, and runs through the woods. The sense of being small in comparison to the natural world around us is visceral and breathtaking and for those of us in the Northern Plains, is one of the incredible treasures of summer.

Summer is also an important time for all of us, no matter what age, to unplug from our everyday lives and reconnect with people and places that are important to us. We continually see the health and wellness values of decreased screen time and know that a break from social media can be a time of strengthening and building resilience in young people. It's healthy for us adults to be able to put down the news and enjoy a walk in the quiet woods. If you want to learn more about the benefits of unplugging at summer camp, our friends at the American Camp Association have an article you can read [here](#).

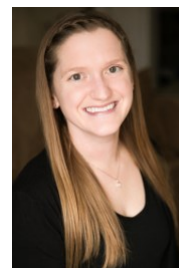
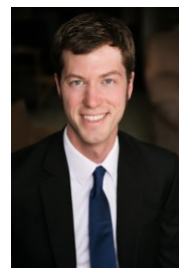
Of course, our campers can always stay connected to family and friends throughout the week using payphones and letters. This practice is a great lesson for all of us in the lessons of patience and the joy of an unexpected kind word or gift from a relative far away. Campers LOVE it when they receive a letter from home and we encourage families to plan out some encouraging notes and drop them in the mail a week (or two weeks if mailing from Canada) before dropping off their camper.

We hope that you will be able to unplug from the busy pace of life and come join us for a week or more of music and friendship making during our 68th season this summer!

Sincerely,

 *Christini Baumann*

Tim and Christine



Brandon Community Foundation Sheds New Light(s) on Howard Hall

The Brandon Area Community Foundation has partnered with the International Music Camp to replace and upgrade the lights in the IMC's Howard Hall. This project will also include lighting improvements in Rindt and Cushman Halls and will replace fluorescent fixtures with LED lights for lower energy costs and improved illumination.

“Howard Hall was the first permanent structure built for the music camp’s use” says Tim Baumann, Camp Director. “Over the years it has hosted concerts, recitals, camper dances, the Allegro Shop, the Nurse’s Station, the Main Office, and many of the weekly events that now take place in the Burdick Center for the Performing Arts.”



More Than 45 Different Programs Available!

Session 1 – June 16-22, 2024

- Middle School Band (grades 5-8)
- Middle School Choir (grades 5-8)
- Middle School Art (grades 5-8)
- Professional Development for Educators (PDE) – Band, Choir & Art

Session 2 – June 23-June 29, 2024

- Band (grades 6-12)
- Drumline (grades 7-12)
- Digital Photography (grades 7-adult)
- Creative Writing (grades 7-12)
- Drama (grades 7-12)
- Dance (ages 12-19) - Hip Hop Intensive
- PDE – Band, Drumline, Digital Photography, Dance, Creative Writing & Drama

Session 3 – June 30-July 6, 2024

- Band (grades 6-12)
- Garage Band (grades 8-12)
- Audio Technology (grades 9-12)
- Musical Theatre (grades 5-12)
- Music Composition & Songwriting (grades 9-12)
- PDE – Band, Garage Band, Audio Technology, Musical Theatre & Music Composition & Songwriting

Session 4 – July 7-13, 2024

- Choir (grades 7-12)
- Pop Choir (grades 7-12)
- Piano (ages 10-adult)
- Piano/Organ (ages 10-adult)
- Guitar (grades 6-12)
- Dance (ages 12-19)
- Basic Art (ages 11-14)
- Drawing (ages 14-19)
- University Preparatory Program A (grades 10-12)
- PDE – Choir, Pop Choir, Piano, Organ, Guitar, Dance, U Prep & Art

Session 5 – July 14-20, 2024

- Band (grades 7-12)
- Jazz Band (grades 7-12)
- Vocal Jazz (grades 8-12)
- Dance (ages 12-19)
- University Preparatory Program B (grades 10-12)
- PDE – Band, Jazz Band, Vocal Jazz, Dance & U Prep

Session 6 – July 21-27, 2024

- Orchestra (grades 5-12)
- Band (grades 9-12)
- Fiddle (grades 6-adult)
- Harp (grades 7-12)
- Mallet Percussion (grades 7-12)
- World Percussion (grades 7-adult)
- Cartooning (ages 13-19)
- Painting (ages 14-19)
- Sculpture (ages 14-19)
- University Preparatory Program C (grades 10-12)
- PDE – Orchestra, Band, Fiddle, Harp, Mallet Percussion, World Percussion & Art

Session 7 – July 27-30, 2024

- All programs for ages 21 & Up
- Community Bands & Brass Band
- Community Symphony & String Orchestra
- Community Mixed Chorus
- Women’s & Men’s Barbershop
- World Percussion
- Harp
- Handbells
- Guitar
- Studio Art

***Campers must be registered one week before their program starts!**

***Registration is open now!**

<https://internationalmusiccamp.com/registration>

IMC Founder's Day

YOU ARE INVITED!

Saturday, June 29, 2024 is IMC's Founder's Day. Join us for lunch, concerts, and the Annual General Meeting at 3:00 PM Central Time.

SCHEDULE

Digital Photography Exhibit

10:00 a.m. Alme International Arts Centre

Hip Hop Intensive Recital

11:00 a.m. Burdick Center for the Performing Arts

Creative Writing Readings

12:30 p.m. Burdick Center for the Performing Arts

Drumline Exhibition &

Band Concert

1:00 p.m. Masonic Auditorium Performing Arts

Drama Production

2:00 p.m. Burdick Center for the Performing Arts

Now Hiring!

We are still hiring a Camp Nurse for Sessions 1 & 3. We are currently accepting applications for people wanting to be on a waitlist for full summer positions or are available to work only one or two weeks.

<https://internationalmusiccamp.com/about/employment-opportunities/>

See our website for complete details and apply today! We are setting up interviews as applications come in.



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The Annual Old-Time Fiddle Weekend Set for June 6-8, 2024

The International Old-Time Fiddle Workshop and Contest are scheduled for June 6, 7, and 8, 2024. The workshop will be held on Thursday and Friday with a concert on Friday evening. The concert will begin with a feature performance by The Stanley County Cut-Ups! Workshop. Instructors include: Kyle Burghout, Fiddle; Caitlin Baker, Fiddle/Metis; Shelby Huston, Fiddle; Tim Osmond, Guitar/Mandolin.

The Contest is on Saturday, June 8th. Some of the best fiddlers around the region on both sides of the border will compete for cash prizes.

Whether you come as a fiddler or a spectator, you will surely enjoy this day of old-time music.

For more information or to sign up, see <https://internationalmusiccamp.com/about/news/fiddlers-weekend/> or contact the IMC Office at (701) 838-8472.



Your Presence is Requested: Spring Cleaning at IMC

Volunteers are needed to help open and clean the 71 buildings that make up the International Music Camp campus. Are you able to help vacuum, sweep, scrub, mop, rake, laugh, smile, and eat for a day or more while preparing IMC for its 68th season? If so, then **the IMC Volunteer Weekend is for you!** This weekend gives opportunities for camp patrons and families to lend their cleaning expertise to a place they love and value. The event will run May 17-19, 2024. Volunteers are welcome to attend one day or the whole time. Meals and overnight accommodations are provided.

Please RSVP for the event by May 10th by calling the IMC Winter Office at (701) 838-8472 or e-mailing us at info@internationalmusiccamp.com.

As with all tasks, the more hands, the easier the work. We hope to see you there!



Mattresses from Winnipeg Foundation and St. Michael Furniture

There is a new spring in the step of mattresses at IMC nowadays. Thanks to a partnership between St. Michel Furniture, the International Peace Garden, the International Music Camp, and the Winnipeg Foundation, all of the camper mattresses in the dorms have been replaced. The process took a total of two years, with 50% of the project being completed in 2023 and the second half arriving in 2024.

In addition to new camper mattresses, a grant from the Winnipeg Foundation also helped IMC purchase new mattress for 60% of the Faculty/Staff housing on camp. Housing units in Boehle, Watson, and Lorimer will all be receiving new mattresses. “Our faculty does a lot to care for our campers” says Christine Baumann, Camp Director, “It is nice to be able to make their time here at IMC as comfortable as we can.”



Scholarship Opportunities

The International Music Camp works with many local, state, and regional partners to help secure scholarship funding for campers to attend IMC every summer. Many scholarships are awarded and administered locally through schools, civic organizations, and community foundations, but there are a few that are awarded through the International Music Camp. To apply for an IMC-held scholarship, please visit the Scholarships page on our website [here](#) and complete the General Scholarship Application Form and all other applicable scholarship applications. All scholarships are made available through generous donations to the IMC Scholarship Endowment Fund. Providing camper scholarships helps IMC fulfill its values of opportunity and inclusion for all campers.



2023-2024 Donor Club Members

For the past 68 years, the International Music Camp has counted on our friends to provide the best possible fine arts camp experience at the most affordable cost to students and their families. The people listed here made a financial contribution to IMC and a commitment to our success. The IMC Donor Club is made up of individuals and organizations who donated to the Development Fund, the Scholarship Endowment Fund, or the Pave the Future Endowment. THANK YOU!!!

How to Donate

Donations to the International Music Camp can be made online via PayPal, e-transfer (for Canadians), or by mail., and are tax deductible. Please call our office at 701-838-8472 if you have any questions. One time or monthly donations can be made through PayPal or CanadaHelps. Donations can also be mailed to either: International Music Camp, 111 11th Ave SW, Suite 3, Minot, ND 58701, United States or International Music Camp c/o Brent Johnson, 121 Cathedral Ave, Winnipeg, MB R2W 0W7, Canada.

Canadian E-Transfers

Donations from Canadian bank accounts can be sent directly to IMC via e-transfer sent to: canada@internationalmusiccamp.com. E-transfers will be automatically deposited into IMC's bank account. Please include the intended fund for your donation in the notes before you send your e-transfer. Your donation will appear as International Music Camp (Man) Inc. on your banking statement.

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Band Members

2024 Guest Conductors Announced

Session 1

Jason Rygg - MS Band
Carly Grandner - MS Choir

Session 2

Jason Rygg - MS Band
Dr. Corey Pompey - HS Band

Session 3

Dr. Patricia Cornett - HS Band
Verlene Stotts - MS Band



Session 4

Dr. Craig Robertson -
Mixed Choir & Chamber Choir
Kristel Peters - Treble Choir

Session 5

Dr. Carolyn Barber - HS Band
Kenley Kristofferson - MS Band

Session 6

Dr. Emily Schaad - Concert &
Cadet Orchestras
Dr. Chad Hutchinson - Symphony
& Chamber Orchestras
Dr. Peter Haberman - HS Band

Session 7

Jane Linde Capistran - String &
Symphony Orchestras
William Martin - Brass Band
Dr. Monte Gris  - Intermediate
Band & Jazz Band
Cheryl Ferguson - Advanced Band
Bradley Fremder - World Percussion
Monica McGowan - Handbells
Dr. Andr e Dagenais - Mixed Choir
Naomi Russell -
Women's Barbershop
Marlaine Stevens - Men's Barbershop
Dr. Jaclyn Wappel - Harp
Dr. Ian Hodges - Guitar
Arvin Davis Jr. - Studio Art

In Memorium



Thomas Edward Christianson, aged 53, passed away on Feb. 11, 2024. He served as a Percussion Faculty member at IMC for 17 years between 1996 and 2023. He will be sorely missed by campers, staff, and faculty.

Tom was born on Dec. 4th, 1970 in Fargo, ND, into a musical family. He graduated from Minnesota State University Moorhead and attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in Jazz Studies. Throughout his career, he was known for his inquisitive mind, his dry wit, His explosive laugh, his deep and broad knowledge of many subjects, his sensitive and beautiful playing, his willingness and ability to teach and share his knowledge, and his gentle and calm nature.

Tom had a voracious appetite for learning in a broad range of subjects, including music, the military, history, literature, movies, tv shows, and cars. He displayed this knowledge by frequently winning trivia contests.

Tom made his living as a free-lance percussionist performing many styles of music, including classical, jazz, rock, country, western, and international genres. Tom was a long-standing member of numerous area ensembles, including the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony, the FM Kicks Band, and the Trinity Lutheran Church worship band. Tom taught hundreds of students through associations with the International Music Camp, Fargo Area Youth Symphonies, NDSU, MSU Moorhead, Concordia College, Jamestown University, numerous area public schools, and private students. Tom was a dedicated researcher and expert resource for all things percussion, identifying the provenance of instruments all over the state, and repairing them authentically.

