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Faculty Accomplishments and News (in alphabetical order):

Amy Gilreath performed in St. Louis for the annual Holiday Brass Concert along with members of the St. Louis Symphony brass section. She also was a guest conductor for the concerts and really enjoyed putting on "another hat." In January, Amy and her group [Stiletto Brass](#) did a day-long residency at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts. The day consisted of coaching student brass quintets, a concert, a brass/trumpet master class, and lecturing in the entrepreneur class on "Creating and Successfully Managing a Professional Chamber Group."



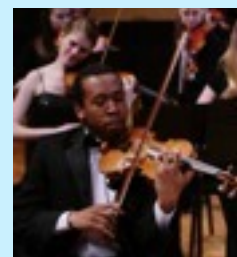
Martha Horst won the second annual [Symphony Number One](#) call for scores. She will write a new work for this Baltimore-based orchestra, which will be premiered during their 2016-17 season.

Bill Koehler judged All-State Bass Auditions in Peoria on January 28.

Kimberly McCord and the [Metcalf OrffCats](#) performed at the [Jazz Education Network \(JEN\)](#) Conference in Louisville, KY on January 9. Their guest artists at the JEN Conference were Ann Patterson from Los Angeles (jazz flute), Louise Rogers from New York City (vocal), Drew Dahan from IWU (vocal), and Jason Landes, U-High instrumental music teacher.



Kimberly McCord conducting the Metcalf School OrffCats in Louisville, KY.



Upcoming SOM meetings:

- 2/2/16
 - Advisory @ 11am
 - Equipment @ 11am
- 2/4/16
 - Hist/Theory/Comp @ 11am
 - Music Ed @ 11am
- 2/9/16
 - Faculty @ 11am
- 2/11/16
 - SFSC @ 11am
- 2/16/16
 - Grad Advisory @ 11am
- 2/18/16
 - Grad Advisory @ 11am
- 2/23/16
 - Convocation @ 11am
 - Curriculum @ 11am
- 3/1/16
 - Grad Advisory @ 11am
 - Equipment @ 11am

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Steve Parsons was elected president of the Association of Illinois Music Schools (AIMS). His 3-year term began in January 2016.

Andy Rummel and the ISU Tuba and Euphonium Ensemble performed an hour-long concert at the Illinois Music Educators All-State Music Conference on Thursday, January 28. The ensemble was fortunate enough to be joined by **Paul Nolen** on saxophone and **Ben Stiers** on percussion. Senior euphonium performance/music education major **Sam Stauffer** was invited to audition for the [United State Air Force Band of the Golden West](#) in early February. Sam submitted a prescreening recording and was one of 8 euphoniumists selected to audition. The graduate tuba quartet, comprised of ISU graduates **Tim Schachtschneider** and **Jason Lindsey**, as well as current graduate student tubists **Alex Hill** and **Jacob Hilton**, were named as semifinalists in the chamber ensemble competition at the [International Tuba and Euphonium Conference](#) to be held at the University of Tennessee in May 2016. In addition, **Tim Schachtschneider** was selected as a semifinalist for the Artist Solo Tuba Competition at same conference. Their selections were based on audition recordings adjudicated by top tuba and euphonium professionals from throughout the world. This is a huge accomplishment for these young men. Please congratulate them if you see them in the halls!

Martin Seggelke and ISU Bands would like to congratulate the winners of the 2015-16 ISU Concerto/Aria Competition – Band Division. **Colby Spengler** (clarinet) will be featured with Wind Symphony and **Pam Schuett** (flute), and **Alex Clay** (flute), will be featured with Symphonic Winds. A huge THANK YOU to the fabulous collaborative pianist Patty Foltz for accompanying every single competitor. Many thanks also to judges **Allison Alcorn** and **Tuyen Tonnu** for sharing their time and talented ears! ISU Bands will host the annual Twin City Band Festival again this February. The Honor Band students will be on campus in the evening of February 12, and all afternoon on February 13. Concerts with the Honor Band as well as 7 local high school bands will take place on February 19 and February 20. Please feel free to stop by and meet many potential recruits. Bands would like to congratulate **Beth Hildenbrand** (clarinet), **Trenell Wherry-Smith** (saxophone), and **Nelson Ruiz**

(horn), on their invitation to perform with the 2016 Intercollegiate Honor Band of the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA). Beth, Tre and Nelson have the opportunity to represent ISU, performing side-by-side with the most outstanding musicians from other prestigious collegiate music programs from across the U.S., under the leadership of [Eugene Corporon](#), one of the leading wind conductors of our time. They will perform a concert for an audience of music professors from all over the U.S. and Canada at the CBDNA Conference in late February. The ISU Wind Symphony was named the 2015 [American Prize](#) winner in Band/Ensemble Performance, for their recently released album “Monuments.” Congratulations to all Wind Symphony members – current and now alumni – and to all faculty, staff, and administrators who contribute to the success of ISU Bands. The American Prize, a series of non-profit national competitions in the performing arts, evaluates and provides professional adjudication, recognition and reward based on a submitted recording. The Prize is awarded annually, with one winner selected from each category and/or division. In the Wind Ensemble/Concert Band Performance category, the award recognizes the best submitted recorded performances by concert bands and wind ensembles in America, determined by a national panel of distinguished judges. Performances are judged on artistic quality and evaluated on a variety of criteria including the repertoire selection, overall effect of the performance, musicality, rhythmic incisiveness, tone quality, accuracy, intonation, and knowledge of style.



David Snyder presented "Assessing Your Students Through Chamber Music" with recent MMed graduate **Ben Luginbuhl** at the ILMEC All-State conference in Peoria on January 29. Dr. Snyder also performed with the [Peoria Symphony Orchestra](#) on their "Fairy Tales and Scarely Tales" concert on January 24.

Michelle Vought hosted international composer [Nancy Van de Vate](#) from Vienna, Austria January 12-17. During her residency, Van de Vate attended rehearsals for the January 16 concert of her music and met students on both the ISU and IWU campuses. Her week culminated in the world premiere performance of a piece written for Michelle entitled "Cleopatra and the Plastic Surgeon" with libretto by local award-winning author Nancy Steele Brokaw. Also performing with Michelle in the concert were faculty members **Carlyn Morenus** and **Ben Stiers**, along with students **Mallory Konstanz**, **Annie Sturtewagen**, **Kevin Alleman**, **Destiny Przytulski**, **Ann Martin**, and ISU alumnus **Matthew Merz**. After the standing-room only performance, the [Friends of the Arts](#) hosted a reception with birthday cake to commemorate Van de Vate's 85th birthday, which she celebrated on December 30. On the day after the ISU performance, Dr. Van de Vate and Michelle ventured to Canada where they performed an all Van de Vate concert at the University of Toronto on January 20. At the University's Walter Hall, Michelle performed three Van de Vate vocal theatrical works that were all Canadian premieres: "A Night in the Royal Ontario Museum," "Cocaine Lil," and "Cleopatra and the Plastic Surgeon." Between the performance of each piece, the composer was interviewed on the stage by Toronto composer Dr. Alexander Rapoport.

News, Announcements, and Reminders

Safety Reminders

Please remember to lock your office door when working outside of regular business hours. Also, if you need an escort at night, call [Redbird Safe Walk](#) at 438-8631. If you discover someone in our buildings who you believe should not be there, do not confront the individual. Rather, call ISU PD at 438-8631.

Piano Humidification Control

Please keep piano humidification units plugged in at all times.

Upcoming Events and the University Calendar!

All events scheduled through Peggy DeHaven in CE 225 will be listed on the [University Calendar](#).

Please check your events for accuracy and let Peggy know if corrections need to be made. If your event does not yet have a description included, send text to Peggy so that she may add it to your event announcement.



Upcoming Concerts, Important Dates

- 2/1 Adam Briggs @ 7:30pm - KRH
- 2/5 Audition Day @ 3pm - CPA
- 2/5 Wind Symphony/Sym Winds @ 8pm - CPA
- 2/6 Audition Day @ 9am - CPA
- 2/11 Faculty Jazz Ensemble @ 8pm - KRH
- 2/13 Audition Day @ 9am - CPA
- 2/14 Choral Showcase @ 3pm - CPA
- 2/14 Big Band Dance @ 6pm - NLC
- 2/16 Faculty String Quartet @ 7:30pm - KRH
- 2/17 Dennis Tobenski @ 7pm - KRH
- 2/17 Jazz I & II @ 8pm - CPA
- 2/18 Silvan Negrutiu @ 8pm - CPA
- 2/19 Twin City Honor Band @ 7pm - CPA
- 2/20 Twin City Honor Band @ 3pm - CPA
- 2/20 MTNA Wellness Workshop @ 7pm - KRH
- 2/21 Afternoon of Brass @ 3pm - CPA
- 2/22 Chamber Winds @ 8pm - KRH
- 2/23 Performance Convocation @ 11am - CPA
- 2/24 Symphonic Winds @ 8pm - CPA
- 2/26 Street Scene @ 7:30pm - CPA Theatre
- 2/27 Jupiter String Quartet @ 2pm - KRH
- 2/27 Street Scene @ 7:30pm - CPA Theatre
- 2/28 Street Scene @ 2pm - CPA Theatre
- 2/29 Wind Symphony @ 8pm - CPA