



SESSION NOTES

Fall 2009

The Music Resource Center is a non-profit 501(c)(3) multi-faceted music education center for teenagers located in Charlottesville, VA. The mission of the Music Resource Center is to educate and inspire youth and through music equip them with life skills for the future. We accomplish this mission through music education and performance opportunities, as well as life skills mentoring.

Upcoming Events

December 18: Annual CD Release Party
December 31: First Night Teen Band Showcase

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Please email us that you'd prefer to receive updates by email!

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*"...my son lives and breathes MRC. It's an enormous asset to our community."
- MRC Parent*

Gift to MRC in Memory of LeRoi Moore

The Dave Matthews Band held two VIP pre-show receptions in conjunction with their spring 2009 concerts in Charlottesville. The proceeds from these events, in addition to matching funds from the Bama Works Fund, were donated to MRC in memory of saxophonist and founding Dave Matthews Band member LeRoi Moore, to retire the debt on the historic building that houses the Center.

Moore was an avid supporter of MRC and was heavily involved in the program at its inception. Our upstairs performance space will be dedicated to LeRoi's memory. MRC deeply thanks the Dave Matthews Band and Coran Capshaw for their very thoughtful and generous gift.



NEWS

MRC Nominated for "Rising Star" Award

Delegate David Toscano has nominated the Music Resource Center for the Virginians for the Arts Foundation's "Arts Build Communities" Award of "Rising Star."

The award is given to arts organizations "that best demonstrate the ability to enhance the community, lift our spirits, and build a better quality of life." Delegate Toscano's Legislative Assistant, Sarah Buckley, stated that Delegate Toscano "...would like to nominate the Music Resource Center for the "Rising Star" Award for all the good work you do for young people in the community." MRC is honored by this nomination.

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"Being a member of MRC has been nothing but positive. It's helped my daughter grow as a person in many ways."

- MRC Parent

PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

MRC Reaches out to Special Needs Youth

During the summer, MRC was asked to do a workshop with some campers at the Central Virginia Burn Camp.

Despite the limited movement some of them had, the campers tackled the guitar with enthusiasm and perseverance, learning

blues riff by the end of the session. Some of the campers had never touched a musical instrument before, but they all loved it. Camp staff joined in too!

The workshop was scheduled to last for an hour, but lasted much longer due to the enjoyment

and interest of everyone involved. It was hard to tell who enjoyed the experience more—MRC Staff or the campers! We are looking forward to working with them again next year.

Music Industry Class—2nd Year & Going Strong!

MRC staff are teaching a credited music industry and technology course for high school seniors. The course, designed by Cory Teitelbaum, Vijith Assar and Damani Harrison, is a two-credit class available through the Charlottesville/Albemarle

Technical School (CATEC). 12 students are taught audio engineering, digital music production, music journalism, live sound mixing, marketing, radio programming and instrument maintenance.



Musician Jim Gagnon visits MRC class

VOLUNTEERS

Remembering Johnny Gilmore

MRC was honored to have Johnny Gilmore as a volunteer. Johnny was one of the most talented drummers to grace the city of Charlottesville. Gilmore passed away on October 23, 2009.

Recently, he had parts that will now permanently grace our performance hall. Thank you so much for all your positive energy and love, Johnny. You will be missed.

Genna Matthew



Genna Matthew CD Release Party @ The Southern Café & Music Hall —Matthew Carter (MRC staff), Sibley Johns (Exec. Dir.), Genna Matthew, & Josh Griffin (MRC staff)

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

MRC singer and songwriter Genna Matthew, a high school senior, was working on her first CD last spring while waiting to hear from colleges to which she had applied. Her first choice was UVA, and she found herself placed on the "wait-list." Disappointed, Genna wrote a song and sent it to the UVA Admissions Department. Called "Wait List," the song was well-received, and Genna is now a first year at UVA! Congratulations on your acceptance to UVA Genna and on the completion of your first CD—"Don't Let the Sun"!!

Party Like a Rock Star!

The Party Committee transformed the performance hall into a hot Night-club. MRC student band The Wave started the party off right, and DJ XSV kept guests dancing until after midnight.

Thanks to our co-chairs, Lisa DeMaso and Tricia Humphreys and their fabulous volunteers, MRC's 2nd Annual Fall Fundraiser—"Party Like a Rock Star" was a great success!



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