Joy of Music
Worcester’s Community Music School

Joy of Music Youth Orchestra at Mechanics Hall

Annual Report FY 2015
9/1/2014 ~ 8/31/2015

Children’s Chorus
Student Recitals and Jompathon
This year’s Annual Report is a tribute to our donors. Your dedication and commitment, as evidenced throughout this report, is nothing short of phenomenal. When you make a gift to Joy of Music, you join with many other donors in creating a powerful ripple effect. The impact of your giving is both immediate and far-reaching. Together you strengthen everything we do at JOMP and enhance the school’s ability to enrich the cultural vitality of the greater Worcester community. You brighten countless individual lives by making it possible:

* to award 120 students need-based financial aid totaling $136,261 in FY2015,
* to provide instruments through our Student Instrument Fund to students who can’t afford one,
* to support our talented faculty as performing artists through Faculty Concert Sponsorships,
* to care for JOMP’s 22 teaching pianos (20 were donated) and 2 performance level pianos,
* to maintain our facility as a beautiful and welcoming musical home for the community and
* to improve and expand JOMP’s learning environment through capital campaign projects.

Our donor community helped us make great fundraising strides in our “Sound Investment for the Future” Campaign throughout FY2015. Several teaching studios were named through donations from individuals in the $10,000 to $25,000 range. After the final mortgage payment was made in October, 2014, thanks to a $150,000 grant from the Jeanne Y. Curtis Charitable Trust, we turned our energies to the Recital Hall Expansion Project - the final component of the campaign.

In the spring, we were faced with a difficult decision. Construction bids came in over $200,000 higher than they had two years before. Would we be able to break ground for the recital hall expansion in the summer as planned? We received the resounding affirmation we needed to proceed when 100% of JOMP’s Board of Directors and Campaign Committee and many individuals enthusiastically agreed to increase and extend their campaign pledges, and the George I. Alden Trust, the Fletcher Foundation and Stoddard Charitable Trust each gave second gifts to the campaign. This put us in a strong position to move forward.

In a special meeting on July 1, 2015 JOMP’s Board of Directors voted unanimously to sign the contract with the F.W. Madigan Company. A very moving groundbreaking ceremony was held on August 18, with staff, faculty, donors and board and campaign committee members in attendance. Students provided music for the event.

(An exciting update - our beautiful new Concert Hall was completed and the occupancy permit received in time to hold our 25th Annual Jompathon in there on January 30, 2016. Students filled the hall with music from 7:40 a.m. to 8:50 p.m. What a celebration!)

We thank you all for affirming that music is essential in our lives and for embracing the school with your encouragement and your trust.
Program Highlights

Joy of Music served 565 students in FY2015, 325 in private lessons and 240 in classes and ensembles. $136,261 in financial aid made it possible for 120 students to study at JOMP who could not otherwise afford it. Financial aid is the primary tool that enables us to realize our mission “to enrich lives and foster community through accessible music education and performance.” The positive impact of including everyone regardless of income reaches far beyond the students receiving assistance. Including them not only brightens their lives, it enriches the entire JOMP community and invigorates all our educational programs.

For example, our String Ensembles (pictured left), Sinfonietta, Youth Orchestra, Jazz Ensembles and Children’s Chorus would not be viable without our Financial Aid Program, which makes it possible for 30% to 80% of their membership to participate.

Our partnership with Worcester Housing Authority continued with students from Great Brook Valley participating in summer World Drumming classes and Children’s Chorus and Creative Movement during the academic year. The Burncoat Quadrant Initiative, in its seventh year, strengthens and supports public school music programs in JOMP’s neighborhood. Twenty-eight students from six elementary schools and Burncoat Middle and Senior High Schools receive need-based financial aid for private lessons, ensembles and orchestra.

Performances: Students and faculty gave a total of 80 performances at JOMP and in the community, reaching a combined audience of over 15,000 people:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Performance Type</th>
<th>Number</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Student Recitals at JOMP</td>
<td>40</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Student Performances in the Community</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty Concerts at JOMP</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty Trios in the Worcester Public Schools (Music- to-Go)</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>80</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JOMP faculty bring classical music to WPS, funded by Music Guild of Music Worcester.
**OVATION CIRCLE ($500 or more)**

- **Con Vivo ($5,000 - $10,000)**
  - Anonymous (1)
  - Patricia A. Fuller
    - In honor of the Peter Mott Family

- **Con Gioia ($1,500 - $4,999)**
  - Victoria & John Aberhart
  - Wendy & Rich Arizzone
  - Deborah Feingold & David Dimenstein
  - Francesca Bang & Gerald Gleich
  - Paul & Fay Rossley
  - Robert & Dawn Sciple
  - Leone Buyse & Michael Webster

- **Con Spirito ($1,000 - $1,499)**
  - Allen W. Fletcher
  - Janet & Geoffrey Graeber
  - David R. and Rosalie A. Grenon
  - C. Jean McDonough
  - Barrett & Mahroo Morgan
  - Gloria & Roger Plourde
  - Gordon M. Saperia M.D.

- **Con Amore ($500 - $999)**
  - Saul Feingold
  - Rodney Ferris
    - In memory of Natalie Ferris
  - Thomas H. Fenullo
  - Mary & Warner S. Fletcher
  - David J. Gerbereux
  - Geoffrey German
  - Jack & Karen Giarusso
  - Chris & Barry Hanshaw
  - Dr. & Mrs. Robert S. Harper
  - Greer & Ted Jordan
  - Sue Miller & Gary Keilson
  - Nancy McKenna
  - Vivian Shortreed
  - Linda & James Tartaglia
  - Leonard Vanderkuijp & Dr. Ning Tien

- **Con Espressione ($300 - $499)**
  - Ethel & Morris Abramoff
  - Roberta & Dustin Baker
  - Helen & Kluber Campbell
  - Andrew & Rebecca Clements
  - Christine & Peter Crepeault
  - Catherine Levine
  - Meredith MacNeill
    - In honor of my five grandchildren
  - Ralph & Elizabeth Metcalf
  - Elizabeth & Dan Pacek
  - Steve Knox & Lee Reid
  - Scott & Lois Rossiter

- **Con Ameno ($200 - $299)**
  - Anonymous (1)
  - Heather Robinson & Ron Adler
  - Bruce & Amy Baird
  - Nancy Bennet
  - Mark & Diane Booher
  - Janet Bousquet, Kris Zarlenga & Patricia Cardaropie
    - In memory of Irene Lamothe

- **Con Affetto ($100 - $199)**
  - Anonymous (6)
  - Abigail Adams
  - Arman & Nancy Ahrabi-Nejad
  - Marcia Anderson
  - Atlantic Planning Group
    - In honor of Howard & Janet Shainheit
  - Katharine & Daron Barnard
  - Bob & Karen Lachner Bliss
  - Robert Bodman
  - Boston University Treblemakers
  - Nancy & Tom Buckingham
  - Sara Davis Buechner
    - In honor and in memory of Beveridge & Frances Webster
  - Cindy and Alan Bushey
    - In memory of Jim Allard
  - Lucy Candid, M.D.
    - In honor of Antoinette Marshall
  - Francis R. Carroll
  - Janet Okada & Mark Cookley
  - Henry B. Dewey
  - Jim & Carol Donnelly
  - Brendan Dooley
  - Petra Belady and Joseph Duffy
  - Anne Lemos Edgerton
  - Susan Gardner & Peter Eisenmann
  - Catherine Phillips and Stephen Erban
  - Carolyn Erskine
  - Pegeen & Hamed Eslami
    - In memory of Harold Wylie, Jr.
  - Alan & Margaret Farwell
  - Audrey & Neil Feldman
  - Department of Developmental Services
    - In memory of Elwood “Bunny” Price
  - Nancy Fontneau, MD
  - Mark & Debbie Freeman
  - Geoffrey Garrett
  - Kristina Wilson & David Geist
  - Daniel Gendler
  - Jo-Ellen & David Grossi
  - Michelle Cordoba Gunter
  - Claire Gurney
  - Midge Blue Hamilton
    - In memory of Ellen Levesque

- **Con Brío ($50 - $99)**
  - Anonymous (3)
  - Nicholas Apostoleris
  - Sue Apostoleris
  - The Bailey Family
  - Glynda Bentham

---

**Friends of JOMP ~ Individual Contributors ~ FY 2015 (9/1/14 to 8/31/15)**

Our warmest thanks to the following individuals who donated to Joy of Music’s Annual Fund in FY2015. The spirit, love and joy that accompanies your generosity is heart-warming and invigorating! You have an immediate and enduring impact as you enrich so many lives through music. We are also receiving a wonderful response to our Campaign. Campaign donors will be acknowledged at a later date.

- Janet Guy-Hamilton
- Mindy McKenzie Hebert
- Phil Magnusson & Hope A. Hess
- In honor of Rich & Wendy
- Alvan and Susan Emerson Hill
- In honor of Colm E. Hill
- Gregory Horn
- In honor of Dr. & Mrs. James Wright
- Richard J. Horner M.D.
- Richard and Elizabeth Hummel
- Roy Imperio
- Dr. Nancy A. Johnson
- Bob & Mary Kennedey
- John & Cynthia Kennison
- Jennifer Kent
- Roger and Barbara Kohin
- Tracy & Morey Kraus
- Willa Kahn & Gregory Lazan
- Robert & Susan Licht
- Eleanor and Peter Lin
- Joel Greene & Ann T. Lisi
- Drs. Anne & John Lutz
- Cheri & Nick Minton
- Carol Morgan
- Stacey & Peter Mott
- Kevin & Ree O'Brien
- Michael Haire and Ellen M. O'Connor
- With gratitude
- Katie & Chris Palermo
- The Papalia Family
- In memory of Jonathan Testa
- David & Marlene Persky
- Hon. James F. & Helen E. Queenan
- David & Kathleen Rocheleau
- Todd & Shelley Rodman
- In honor of Kathie Roche-Goggins
- Victor Rosenbaum
- Anthony Ross
- James Rosseel, Esq.
- Melissa Blacker & David Rynick
- Reynald Sansoucy
- In memory of Virginia Sansoucy
- Lance & Melissa Schachterle
- Barbara Schuman, M.D.
- In memory of Patricia M. Shea
- Carol Seager
- Julia & Chuck Severens
- In memory of Gene Severens
- Phil & Judith Shwachman
- Sumner & Evelyn Silver
- Mark & JoAnn Sivazlian
- In memory of Jim Allard
- Albert B. Southwick
- Janet Stavnezer
- Daniel & Debby Steigman
- Dale Perkins & Ann Tripp
- Mr. & Mrs. Herbert M. Varnum
- Erika & Wyatt Wade
- Mary & Phillip Warbasse
- Christine Weinrobe
- Hung Trinh and Gerald Wilfong
- Weiqun Li & Xiaofeng Yan

---
Anonymous (2)  
In honor of Madeline Browning  
Mary & Dick Dale  
Carol & Ernie del Rosario  
In honor of Wendy Ardizzone  
In honor of Brittani Keßlon  
Con Allegrezza  
In memory of Rudolph Zlody  
In memory of Joseph F. LaRochelle Jr.
Foundation and Corporate Operating and Financial Aid Grants  
FY 2015 (9/1/14 - 8/31/15)  
FA = Financial Aid     OS = Operating Support  
Campaign grants will be acknowledged in detail at a later date.  

AbbVie Bioresearch Center ~ $2,000 FA  
Anonymous ~ $1,000 FA  
Jeanne Y. Curtis Foundation ~ $10,000 FA  
Fred Harris Daniels Foundation ~ $6,000 FA  
Davis Publications Charitable Trust ~ $1,450 OS  
Ruth H. and Warren A. Ellsworth Foundation ~ $2,500 FA  
J. Irving & Jane L. England Charitable Trust ~ $3,000 OS  
George F. and Sybil H. Fuller Foundation ~ $6,000 FA and $15,000 Computer Project  
Shirley & Joseph Gleich Charitable Trust ~ $5,000 OS  

Greater Worcester Community Foundation (GWCF) ~ $10,000 FA and $3,000 Mini-grant for the Computer Project  
Bozenhard Charitable Fund of GWCF ~ $250 OS  
Norma and Saul Feingold Joy of Music Fund of GWCF ~ $588 FA  
David R. and Rosalie A. Grenon Fund of GWCF ~ $1,000 OS  
Peter & Catharine Levine Fund of GWCF ~ $300 OS  
Paul and Fay Rossley Fund of GWCF ~ $1,500 OS  
Joy of Music Program Beveridge & Frances Webster Endowment Fund of GWCF ~ $1,232 OS  

Landmann Family Fund at the Vermont Community Foundation ~ $2,000 OS  
Massachusetts Cultural Council ~ $7,600 OS  
Plourde Family Charitable Trust ~ $1,000 OS  
The Progin Foundation ~ $20,000 FA  
Stoddard Charitable Trust ~ $5,000 FA  
Alice Rowan Swanson Foundation ~ $5,000 FA  
Worcester Arts Council ~ $950 ~ Great Brook Valley Outreach FA  

Corporate Matching Gifts  
Bank of America Charitable Foundation  
Hewlitt-Packard  
Medtronic Foundation  
Millenium Pharmaceuticals  
Saint-Gobain Corporation Foundation  

Spring Gala Sponsors  
David & Rosalie Grenon  
Joy of Music Board of Directors  
Mechanics Hall  
Reliant Medical Group  

JOMPATHON 2015 Sponsors  
Augusto Sprinkler Company  
Bay State Savings Bank  
Harvard Pilgrim Health Care  
Johnson String Instrument  
Thomas Woods Insurance Agency  

Faculty Concert Sponsors  
Anonymous (3)  
Victoria & John Aberhart  
Geoffrey & Janet Graeber  
Leominster Credit Union  
Carl Martin & Martin Bros Contracting  

Student Recital Sponsors  
Deborah Feingold & David Dimenstein
Joy of Music historically runs modest surpluses every year, with rare exception, factoring out depreciation and other non-cash items. The two major financial challenges the school faces are 1) not enough cash flow or emergency funds, and 2) the need to raise financial aid funds a year in advance rather than starting from zero each September.

The Sound Investment in the Future Campaign has raised $2.1 million dollars to date towards our $2.3 million goal. Started in FY 2011, the campaign will conclude at the end of the 2016 fiscal year (8/31/16). A detailed campaign income and expense report will be generated at the conclusion of the campaign. If you would like information about helping us meet our campaign goal, please call Rich or Wendy at 508-856-9541.
Recital Hall Expansion Project

Construction on this project, the final component of our Sound Investment in the Future Campaign, started in August, 2015. We were delighted that Anita Walker, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Cultural Council and Jay Paget, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund were able to participate in our groundbreaking ceremony.

*From left to right: David Krom (Architect) Michael Fuller (Project Manager - F. W. Madigan Contractors), Rich and Wendy Ardizzone, Polly Traina, Anita Walker, Erika Wade, Kathleen Rocheleau and Jay Paget. Polly, Erika and Kathleen are members of the Campaign Committee.*

STAFF

Wendy Webster Ardizzone
   Director
Richard Ardizzone
   Associate Director
Anne Pavlik Martin
   Administrative Assistant
Sue Apostoleris
   Secretary/Receptionist
Richard Williams
   Facility Superintendent

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

David Gerbereux
   President
Jack Giarusso
   Vice President
David Perez
   Treasurer
Janet Graeber
   Clerk
Mary Ellen Beaton
David Dimenstein
Geoffrey German
Kathleen Roche-Goggins
Sharon Mahoney

ADVISORY BOARD

Henry B. Dewey
Mary Fletcher
Rosalie A. Grenon
Gloria Hall
Ursula Harper
Honee Hess
Robert M. Kennedy
Lisa Parker
Victor Rosenbaum
Paul Rossley
Polly Traina
Dolly Vazquez

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Kathleen Rocheleau
   Co-chair
Polly Traina
   Co-chair
Mary Fletcher
Jack Giarusso
Erika Wade

Private Lessons
World Drumming classes visited by Zach & Issa from Crocodile River Music
Chamber Music