Meet Our Instructors

F. Thomas Simpson



Percussion Thomas received his Bachelor of Music from Westminster Choir College and has done graduate work in both Kodály and Orff methodologies. He has spent the last 20 years of his career teaching in schools and churches

around the country and has taught music to elementary grade students at the United Nations International School in New York City, NY and at the Buckley School in Sherman Oaks, CA.

Donna Schwartz



Brasswinds Donna has performed on saxophones in NY and Los Angeles with artists such as Vicci Martinez (Season One Finalist) from NBC's The Voice, saxophonist Richie Cannata from Billy Joel's band, and drummer Bobby

Rondinelli from Blue Oyster Cult, as well as the legendary jazz vocalist, Barbara Morrison.

Michèle Sharik



Woodwinds Born and raised in Ohio, Michèle began her musical career with the flute and studied composition and flute performance at the College Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati. She began ringing and

directing handbell choirs in 1991 and in January, 2002, she moved to the San Francisco Bay Area to join America's premier professional classical handbell ensemble, Sonos.



"I was born with music inside me. It was necessary for me – like food or water" Ray Charles



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Why study music?











Improves reading ability and instruction



Youth Bands of Los Angeles

Ensembles start Thursday, September 21 for both beginning and second year students in grades 4 through 6.

Informative parent meeting Thursday, September 14th at 7:30pm in the Youth Music room of Pasadena Presbyterian Church. See our website for more details.

Education

Each week your child will be taught music literacy - the building blocks of a good music education - and not just literature used in getting ready for an up-coming performance. Yes, they'll be plenty of that too, but our teachers are here because they are committed to giving your child a life long love of music.

Attention

Our Band ensembles are limited to 40 students. And our small groups are very limited for personalized, one-on-one instruction. Every week your child receives one 45 minute Ensemble rehearsal and one 45 minutes small group class - plus time inbetween for snacks!

Value

At \$20 a week, our program is an exceptional value for your child's Musical Education. Some individual lessons can run upwards of \$60 for 1/2 an hour. Other programs charge \$1500 - 2500 a year! And while we support all teachers and programs, we think we're a great value. Still think you can't afford Band for your child? Think again. Generous scholarships are available.

Performance

Our winter concert will be legendary - something not to be missed. Our Spring concerts - epic. We will culminate our year with a special concert trip to Knott's Berry Farm in May 2018! *

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