

Fall 2023 Newsletter

Happy Autumn, Y'all!

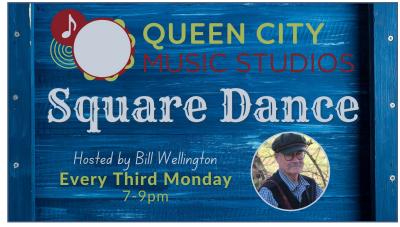
There is a chill in the air, and music in the streets here in Staunton!! We wanted to send a little wrap up email for Staunton Jams, and let you know about some upcoming events so you can mark your calendars:



Staunton Jams:

We were excited to help bring Staunton Jams to life in Downtown Staunton! QCMS hosted an amazing showcase featuring some of our talented students and their teachers at Sunspots Pavilion! Later, Molly hosted a Musikgarten demo class with co-teacher Samantha Campbell, who also assisted with a face painting vendor booth. Drew Bastian brought back his 'Buckets To Beats' drumming workshop that was a smashing success! We are happy to see so much music in our city! **SAVE THE DATE**— Staunton Jams will be back on May 4-5, 2024! You can get information, find links to social media & more at www.stauntoniams.com.





Square Dance at OCMS!

After the summer hiatus, our Square Dance series is BACK in full force hosted by Bill Wellington with guest callers. The Monday night Old Time Jams continues weekly, and the Dance has been moved to the THIRD Monday of each month. Our next one is November 20th. Find tickets here!



Intro to Harmony Singing:

This class offers focused ear training and a technical breakdown of how harmony works. Through interval and chord training, singing rounds, and learning harmonies to songs together, students will learn healthy vocal technique, how to make chords with other voices, and several fun vocal exercises while enjoying the magic of making music with other voices in harmony.

Session Two: Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 Register here for Session Two!



QCMS House Concert Series: Bill Wellington's Radio WOOF November 18th - 10am

Join us at Queen City Music Studios for an unforgettable family concert to kick off your Saturday morning! Bill Wellington's Radio WOOF family concerts are a celebration of family, folklore, and fun with music, song, and story. Bill's high-energy banjo, fiddle, and guitar playing are irresistible, and his zany antics make everyone laugh out loud. As a teacher here at QCMS, Bill also hosts a weekly old time jam, and a monthly square dance. This in-person event promises to be a blast, so mark your calendars, and come see what QCMS has to offer!

Our studio Located on West Beverley Street in Staunton, VA! Come check out our studio, and learn more about QCMS while enjoying some fun for the whole family! PLEASE NOTE sadly our studio is not ADA accessible, with some stairs to climb, Space is limited. Check out Bill Wellington's Radio WOOF here: Check out our website here:

Pre-sale tickets are limited, walkup tickets may be available. \$10 Adults \$5 Kids \$20 for a family up to 4. Find the Facebook event here!





Molly's Musikgarten:

Two new sessions are now open for registration with class offerings for Babies, Toddlers, Pre-K through 1st Grade PLUS a Mixed Ages class for working parents in the evenings. Sign up today!

Fall Session: **6 weeks** Nov 2 (open house), 9, 16, 30th (no class Thanksgiving) Dec 7, 14 **Winter Session**: **8 weeks** Jan 11 (open house), 18, 25 Feb 1, 8, 15, 29



QCMS House Concert Series: Student + Teacher Holiday Showcase December 17th - 3pm

Join us at Queen City Music Studios for a a free family-friendly showcase featuring our talented students and teachers bringing you some holiday favorites. We are following that up with some caroling around downtown Staunton, so dress accordingly, and come sing along with us!

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PLEASE NOTE sadly our studio is not ADA accessible, with some stairs to climb. We will be walking so make sure to wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather! We will be aiming for about a half an hour or so of caroling if weather permits, otherwise we will have a sing along right here in the studio!!

The event is free, and open to the public. Tickets aren't required, but they do help us prepare, so go ahead and grab one! Space is limited, donations to the studio are encouraged!

Find the event on Facebook here!

The Holidays are right around the corner and QCMS is looking forward to participating in Staunton's Christmas Parade on Monday, Nov 27th + the Festival of Lights at Gypsy Hill Park again this year. We are planning a Holiday House Concert and Caroling with our students and teachers, so follow us on our socials to see what we have coming up. If you would like to get involved in helping decorate, marching in the parade, and/ or singing carols with us this Holiday Season, get in touch with Bill at community@queencitymusicstudios.com & join our Holiday Squad here!



We hope you and your family are staying warm and healthy, and we look forward to seeing & hearing from you soon!!

Best,
Molly Murphy +
The QCMS Teaching and Admin Staff