



2010-11 FAME FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC COMPOSITION PROJECT

Date: September 1, 2010

To: Northeast Area Arts Educators

From: Wendy Bloom, FAME Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project Coordinator

Re: **IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT FAME ANNOUNCES THE
2010-11 FAME FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC COMPOSITION PROJECT!**

Dear Arts Educators,

WE ARE SEEKING A FAMEOUS STUDENT COMPOSER FROM YOUR SCHOOL to participate in a fabulous, once in a lifetime experience in music composition in the 2010-11 FAME Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project! Please select one talented Fourth Grade student composer to meet for project sessions on Oct. 4, 5, and 6 and Oct. 12, 13, and 14, 2010, from 4:00-6:00 P.M. (until 6:30 P.M. on Oct. 14), at Haley Elementary School, in Fort Wayne, with Wendy Bloom, FAME Project Coordinator and then, with FAME Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, renowned composer and friend of FAME, to collaborate to create an original orchestral composition to be performed by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic and the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company, at the *Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert* on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 3:00 P.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, in Fort Wayne.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

During project sessions from 4:00-6:00 P.M., on Oct. 4, 5, and 6, 2010, at Haley Elementary School, in Fort Wayne, your student composer/s will meet for composition sessions with Wendy Bloom, FAME Project Coordinator, to compose, perform, and notate their very own *musical signature composition/s*. Then, on Oct. 12, 13, and 14, 2010 (same time and place, except until 6:30 P.M. on Oct. 14) he/she/they will meet for "composium" sessions with FAME Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, where he/she/they will review his/her/their *musical signature composition* and creatively collaborate about how his/her/their musical idea/s will be orchestrated into a final project composition inspired by themes from FAME's 2010-11 cultural focus, *Creating and Dreaming in the Land of the Northern Lights*. During the "composium" session on Oct. 14, Joellen Wojtowicz, director of the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company will creatively communicate with him/her/them about how their musical ideas for the composition will impact and inspire dance movements that the Youth Company ballet students will create and perform for the project.

Mr. Crowe will score the finished composition for symphonic orchestra, then, on Sat., March 12, 2011, at 10:00 A.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, your student composer/s and his/her/their parents will attend the composition's official rehearsal, where Mr. Crowe will conduct a final "composium" session (at 9:00 A.M.) with him/her/them to analyze their musical ideas in the finished composition. The project will culminate with a 1:45 P.M. mini-rehearsal and the composition's premiere performance by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic and the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company, at the *Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert*, on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 3:00 P.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, in Fort Wayne.

The student composers will access a project portfolio to complete various reflection assignments to help stimulate creative input and facilitate feedback for assessment during the music composition, rehearsal, and performance process.

Embedded in the FAME/Fort Wayne Philharmonic Project are educational objectives for them to:

- deepen students' understanding and skills in the creative and evaluative processes of music, dance, art, and storytelling
- deepen students' understanding of the cultural connections of music, dance, art, and storytelling
- deepen students' understanding and knowledge of career opportunities in the arts

The 2010-11 FAME Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project will address the following MENC National Standards For Music Education:

1. Singing, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.
2. Performing on instruments, alone or with others, a varied repertoire of music.
3. Improvising melodies, variations, and accompaniments.
4. Composing and arranging music within specified guidelines.
5. Reading and notating music.
6. Listening to, analyzing, and describing music.
7. Evaluating music and music performance.
8. Understanding relationships between music, the other arts, and disciplines outside the arts.
9. Understanding music in relation to history and culture.

Your FAMEous Student Composer/s, you will need to attend six scheduled composition and "composium" sessions Mon., Oct. 4, Tues., Oct. 5, and Wed., Oct. 6, 2010, from 4:00-6:00 P.M. (digital composition with Wendy Bloom), and on Tues., Oct. 12, Wed., Oct. 13, and Thurs., Oct. 14, 2010, from 4:00-6:00 P.M. (until 6:30 P.M. on Oct. 14) ("composium" sessions with David Crowe and Joellen Wojtowicz), at Haley Elementary School, 2201 Maplecrest Rd, in Fort Wayne. In addition, he/she/they will need to attend the project's official rehearsal on Sat., March 12, 2011, at 10:00 A.M., (with final "composium" session at 9:00 A.M.), and a mini-rehearsal at 1:45 P.M., along with the composition's premiere performance at the *Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert*, on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 3:00 P.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, in Fort Wayne.

A phone call of explanation by you to your student composer's/s' parents would be very helpful in ensuring the success of the project for him/her/them. Also, please personally monitor your selected student's attendance at the composition and "composium" sessions, official rehearsal, mini-rehearsal, and premiere performance.

If your student composer/s cannot attend a composition session at the last minute, please have him/her contact Wendy Bloom, the project coordinator by phone at: (260) 467-4510 (Haley Elementary School) or via e-mail at: Wendy.Bloom@fwcs.k12.in.us. Your student composer's/s' parents are responsible to transport him/her/them to and from the composition and "composium" sessions. Please remind parents to be prompt in both dropping off and picking up their child if they do not plan to stay for the duration of each session.

The student composer/s should be self-disciplined, demonstrate a strong creative nature, and possess the verbal skills needed to communicate musical ideas in large and small group settings. It will also be helpful if the student/s has had at least limited experience reading music playing the

piano, the recorder, or a band/orchestral instrument. Please be aware that FAME hopes to involve students representing a wide range of ethnic backgrounds.

Please feel free to review, monitor, and assist with your student composer's/s' completion of project portfolio assignments, as well as his/her/their *musical signature composition/s*. We will encourage him/her/them to share the entire project portfolio with you.

The FAMEous student composers, along with their parents, music teachers, and school principals will be special guests at the composition's premiere performance at the *Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert* on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 3:00 P.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, in Fort Wayne, where they will be formally recognized for their contribution to the project. The student composers and their parents will be seated in a designated area in the front of the audience. Prior to the performance, each student composer will receive a 2010-11 FAME Fort Wayne Philharmonic Project certificate, his/her originally submitted *musical signature composition* and CD, a copy of the final composition's score and *Finale* orchestration CD, and a photograph commemorating his/her participation in the project sessions. **Your student composer/s will invite you and your school principal to be his/her/their special guests at the *Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert*, on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 3:00 P.M., in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom, at the Grand Wayne Center, in Fort Wayne, where you will be publicly recognized for your contribution to the project!** Music teachers, administrators, and parents, sorry, but **no video or audio taping of the concert is allowed** by agreement with the Fort Wayne Philharmonic.

The registration deadline is Friday, September 24, 2010. Registrations will be prioritized by the postmarked or online registration date. Following the registration deadline, registrations will be accepted on a limited basis. You and your student composer will receive a **registration confirmation/reminder E-mail** prior to the first composition session date.

Please have your selected student composer review the attached **information letter** (please print out for him/her) with his/her parents and complete the attached **registration form** and mail it to:

Wendy Bloom
FAME/Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project Coordinator
Haley Elementary School
2201 Maplecrest Rd.
Fort Wayne, IN 46815.

You can download additional information letters and registration forms at the Composition Project page at the FAME web site at: <http://www.famearts.org> to print out.

Don't forget to check the **Composition Project FAMEbloggers weblog** at: <http://www.famearts.org/pgsub08/08compoBlog.html> to review information about the project!

As always, parents and music teachers are invited to attend (and help with!) any of the project composition/"composium" sessions, rehearsals, and premiere performance. If you have any questions or comments about the FAME Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project, please contact Wendy Bloom at: Wendy.Bloom@fwcs.k12.in.us (E-mail) or at: **260 338-1650** (home phone).

Thanks so much for your vital assistance with this fantastic project!

Wendy Bloom, FAME/Fort Wayne Philharmonic Composition Project Coordinator

2010-11 FAME FW PHILHARMONIC COMPOSITION PROJECT DATES:

Mon., Oct. 4, 4:00-6:00 P.M.	<i>Composition</i> Session at Haley Elementary School
Tues., Oct. 5, 4:00-6:00 P.M.	<i>Composition</i> Session at Haley Elementary School
Wed., Oct. 6, 4:00-6:00 P.M.	<i>Composition</i> Session at Haley Elementary School
Tues., Oct. 12, 4:00-6:00 P.M.	<i>Composium</i> Session with Composer-In Residence, David Crowe
Wed., Oct. 13, 4:00-6:00 P.M.	<i>Composium</i> Session with Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe
Thurs., Oct. 14, 4:00-6:30 P.M.	<i>Composium</i> Session with Composer-In Residence, David Crowe Joellen Wojtowicz, Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company Director (6:00-6:30 P.M.)
Sat., Feb. 26, 1:00-2:00 P.M.	FAMEous Composers <i>Collaboration</i> Session with Joellen Wojtowicz and the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company dancers, Fort Wayne Ballet Center
Sat., March 12, 10:00 A.M.	Official Rehearsal, Final “Composium” at 9:00 A.M.), Anthony Wayne Ballroom, Grand Wayne Center
Sunday, March 13, 1:45 P.M.	Mini-Rehearsal, Anthony Wayne Ballroom, Grand Wayne Center
Sunday, March 13, 3:00 P.M.	Premiere Performance at the <i>Fort Wayne Philharmonic Celebration of Youth Concert</i> , Anthony Wayne Ballroom, Grand Wayne Center

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Haley Elementary School is at 2201 Maplecrest Rd., Fort. Wayne, one block south of E. State St., just west of Georgetown Square Shopping Center. Turn right off Maplecrest Rd. into the school parking lot. Access the school using door #1.

The Fort Wayne Ballet Center is at 324 Penn Ave., off N. Clinton St.

The Grand Wayne Center is on Jefferson Blvd., across from the Embassy Centre, Fort. Wayne. Parking is available in the parking garage or in several lots nearby.