



## THE MUSIC IN ME STUDIO LLC | NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2024

### Studio Events

Our **Christmas Recital** has been an Annual Event since 2008. This year, we are excited to hold it again at Wright State University in the Schuster Hall of the Creative Arts Center.

The Recital is for ALL our students and family and friends are encouraged to join us! And best of all, it's FREE!

Date: **Friday, December 20, 2024**

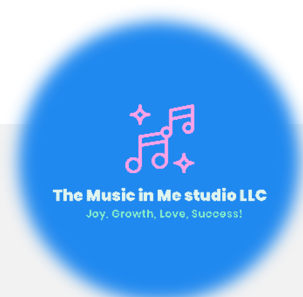
Time: **5:30p.m.**

To participate, students should be regularly attending lessons, select a piece to prepare that is cut to 1-1/2 to 2 minutes in length, and should send a message with the title of piece and any preference of placement in the program (i.e., early or late) **no later than Friday, December 13, 2024** to [themusicinmestudio@gmail.com](mailto:themusicinmestudio@gmail.com).

Students will be performing on a stage, so it's the perfect time to wear your favorite holiday outfit. Students may also dress in something appropriate for a character they may be portraying. All students will be using a handheld microphone for any solos, group songs, or monologues.

Location: Wright State's Creative Arts Center may be accessed by taking the N. Fairfield exit off 675 toward the Nutter Center. Turn left onto Colonel Glenn Hwy then right into the first entrance to Wright State. Parking is available in Lot 11. Enter through the glass doors into the back side of the lobby of the Creative Arts Center and the Schuster Hall will be on your right. There is a handicap accessible entrance to the Hall just past the main entrance to the Hall.

This is a link to the map of Wright State: <https://www.wright.edu/maps>



# Upcoming Auditions

\*\*\*Julia Gomez will be directing Failure: A Love Story which is a Youth Program through Springboro Community Theatre right around the corner from our studio. Auditions are Nov. 18-20

Auditions for Jersey Boys at LaComedia will be held on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 10a.m. at the theatre.

Die Mommie Die! Is a play being produced by Beavercreek Community Theatre. Auditions will be held on Monday and Tuesday Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at their theatre.

# November Shows

*Congratulations to all of you in upcoming shows! Here's some suggestions for shows you can see on stage:*

Lizzie presented by TheatreLab Dayton with Sam Evans at the Mudlick Tap House continues it's run through November 3. This one is rated PG13.

Holiday Inn at LaComedia Dinner Theatre with Elliot C runs Nov 1-Dec 30!

Beauty and the Beast at Bishop Hartley HS, directed by our teacher Emma Fleming, runs 10/31-11/3.

Pierce to the Soul, a one-person show written by Chiquita Mullins Lee and performed by acting teacher Alan Bomar Jones will be presented at the McConnell Arts Center in Worthington on Friday, Nov. 1 at 7p.m.

Carrie: the Musical presented by Wright State University's SoFPA with crew members Olive C and Colson L runs Oct 31-Nov 17.

The Apple Tree also presented by Wright State University, with Sarah R runs Nov 15-24.

Oz at Bellbrook Middle School with Ella S on Nov 7-9.

Radium Girls at Carroll HS with Ellie S and Graysen T, and casting assistance by Julia Gomez on Nov 8-10.

Legally Blonde at Springboro Community Theatre, with Shannon C, Sophia H, and Nolan T runs November 15-17 and 22-24.

Almost Maine at The Dayton Playhouse with Kelsey H runs Nov 15-24.

12 Angry Jurors at Springboro HS with McKinley D., Addison W., and Issac B. runs Nov 15-17.

Almost Maine at CJ directed by our teacher Addi Helms runs Nov 15-17.

Once Upon a Mattress at Centerville HS with Grayson R, Sofia G, Daria C, Cami P, Peter B, and Hadley S, and Keri G on crew runs Nov 15-16 and 22-23.

Clue at Bellbrook HS with Madi C runs Nov. 21-23.

Murder on the Orient Express at Tipp City HS with Amelia W and assistant director Connor C runs Nov 22-24.

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## Some additional fun events:

On Saturday, Nov. 23 at 3 & 7pm, we will be doing an Uptown Holiday Concert at Town Hall Theatre with Courtney C & Casen K as hosts, and Owen B, Will B, Sophie C, Charlotte D, Addie H, Alexandra K, Garrett K, Kara W, Elyse W and teacher Raegan R as performers, and parents Scott B and Cameron R and grandparent Pete C playing instruments with us.

The Springboro Choirs will perform at Christmas in Springboro on Sunday, Nov. 24. With Noah S. , Emily B., Brooke K., Evie W., Katie B., Addison W., Aubrey S., Isaac B, McKinley D, and Addi H.

**Congrats to all of you who have recently been cast in shows, received a callback, and made it through a prepared and successful audition!**

**Wishing all the best to those of you with upcoming auditions, callbacks, shows, and concerts!!!**



### November Birthdays:

Emily W 11/02

Gabby H 11/05

Scout S & Morgan J 11/08

Daria C 11/11

Lydia F., Megan M., & Kristen B. 11/13

Jordan H. 11/14

Colson L & Julia G 11/19

Graysen T & Nate B 11/22

Joy W. 11/24

Eli & Lucas B. 11/25

Elizabeth & Bridget A. 11/28

Egan K 11/30

**Please let me know if I missed any birthdays, shows or shoutouts.  
We definitely want to include everyone!!!**

## Studio News

Thank you to all of you who participated in our Inner Circles in October! It was wonderful to see and hear all of you!!! We will have another set of those in the spring. The pictures at the top of the page are from our One Year Celebration of the Springboro Studio and the Inner Circles.



▶ If you haven't done so yet, please take a look at the studio policies document sent out earlier and sign it and return it to Becky Barrett-Jones or your studio teacher. For new students, this is included in your welcome letter and should also be signed and returned. Thanks for your attention to this and for all of you who have already turned them in!

Student and Parent Portals are now on our website at [www.themusicinmestudio.com](http://www.themusicinmestudio.com) under My Music Portal. Please check there for lesson times and invoice totals!

## Dear Becky Column

When I was growing up, there used to be a Dear Abby column in the newspaper where people would write in and ask for advice. I decided to name this month's sharing after that.

Many students have suffered from dry mouths lately as we are beginning to encounter temperatures that are more fall-like. When the temperatures drop, the heat typically comes on, causing us to be more dried out than usual. Shorter amounts of daylight and more homework as we get farther into the semester can also cause us to rely more heavily on caffeine.

So what can we do when we have to perform???

First, is always to drink water. But there are several other great remedies to assist the water. One is the use of Biotene. It comes in lozenges, mouth wash, and a spray (which I haven't tried yet). But the lozenges help so much to combat the dryness we feel, especially at this time of year. You can find the line of products on Amazon.

Next is using a humidifier or diffuser to add humidity, especially while sleeping.

When coming home from rehearsal, you can also drink hot herbal tea (without caffeine), use a steamer, and also do some vocal cool down exercises, especially if you are doing a vocally demanding role. The heat can be very soothing after an intense vocal day and will soothe your throat so that it feels better while you sleep. Great cool down exercises typically work down the scale on an ooo in the middle of your range. You can also give your jaw and neck a massage if they are feeling tense and do some shoulder and neck rolls.

If you are on stage and feel the dry mouth and can't get to a lozenge, you can rub your tongue along the roof of your mouth to create a little extra saliva.

That's your November advice!

-Becky Barrett-Jones



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