

LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC

ACADEMY & FESTIVAL

JUNE 24 – JULY 22, 2012
on the campus of Luther College, Decorah, Iowa

a training and performance program
FOR BAND, ORCHESTRA, CHOIR,
PIANO, AND ORGAN STUDENTS
GRADES 8-12



Financial aid is available.
See page 6 for details.

www.lutheransummermusic.org



WELCOME!

Play your part at the 31st annual Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival! We bring together 150+ young people from throughout the U.S. and abroad for four weeks of rigorous musical study and performance in a supportive community. We welcome qualified band, choir, orchestra, piano, and pipe organ students completing grades 8-12 from all faith backgrounds to join us.

- We strive for **excellence** and will help you do the same.
- We **connect** your passion for music with your personal faith.
- We are a **supportive home** for young musicians — we value camaraderie over competition.
- We **ARE affordable** — most students qualify for and receive financial assistance.
- We offer **balance** — we're serious about music but we know how to have fun.

“LSM is such a great place to learn and grow both spiritually and musically. The faculty, staff, and student life leaders guide us to become the great musicians of the future, in more ways than one.”*

To learn more and to apply online, visit our website:

www.lutheransummermusic.org

Call or email us with your questions:

612-879-9555 (Minneapolis, MN)

888-635-6583 (toll free)

admissions@lutheransummermusic.org



LSM 2012 AT A GLANCE

Who? Band, orchestra, choir, piano, and pipe organ students of all faith backgrounds completing grades 8-12 from throughout the U.S. and abroad; faculty artists from the best college music departments and professional ensembles; a team of dedicated counselors and staff.

What? A four-week residential training and performance program rooted in a supportive, intentional community that is committed to your personal and musical success.

When? June 24 – July 22, 2012.

Where? Luther College is located three hours southeast of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport in beautiful Decorah, Iowa.

Why? If you're a young musician who is looking for a focused but fun way to spend your summer, LSM is for you. You'll make some of the best friends of your life while improving your music skills, exploring your personal faith, and learning about the rich musical heritage of the Lutheran church.

How? The LSM application process begins online at www.lutheransummermusic.org. This is also where you'll find information on financial aid. Applying is easy — check out our website today!

“I couldn't have ever expected that LSM would completely change my life in such a monumental way. LSM was such a great preparation for college with having to budget my time, get where I need to be, and do what I need to do to be successful.”*

OUR PROGRAM

CORE COMPONENTS

Life at LSM is composed of three interconnected components — MUSIC, FAITH, and COMMUNITY.

MUSIC

Private Lessons. You receive two ½-hour lessons each week on your primary instrument or voice. You may register for lessons on a secondary instrument.

Large Ensemble. You are placed by audition in band, choir, or orchestra. To be considered for a second large ensemble on another instrument, you must submit an additional audition recording.

Small Ensemble. You will play or sing in a chamber ensemble coached by LSM faculty.

Musicianship Class. The LSM curriculum teaches music fundamentals and composition.

LSM Concert & Recital Series. More than 50 events feature world-class performances by the LSM faculty and inspiring offerings by our students (you!).

Electives. See next page.

FAITH

Worship is central to daily life at LSM. Our chaplain provides spiritual leadership and creates a supportive community where faith — regardless of religious background — can be explored and the Lutheran church's tradition of musical excellence is celebrated.



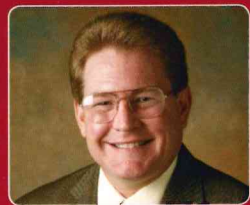
2012 CHAPLAIN
Rev. Wayne
Weissenbuehler

COMMUNITY

You will join a small group of students led by counselors who reside in the dormitories with you. Counselors serve as supportive mentors and plan fun activities and recreational opportunities that offer balance in the midst of busy musical schedules.

LSM FACULTY

LSM faculty artists come from the best professional ensembles, Lutheran colleges, and public universities in the country. Faculty retention is high because our faculty love to teach LSM students and perform with one another. Complete bios are posted on our website as they become available. Your 2012 LSM conductors are:



BAND
Dr. Jeffrey Doebler
Valparaiso University



CHOIR
Dr. Christopher Aspaas
St. Olaf College



ORCHESTRA
Dr. Spencer Martin
Luther College

OUR PROGRAM, CON'T.

ELECTIVES

Customize your LSM experience! Our electives encourage musical exploration and help you build new skills.

YOU MAY CHOOSE ONE ELECTIVE FROM EACH OPTION BELOW.

ELECTIVE OPTION A	ELECTIVE OPTION B
<p>PERFORMANCE ELECTIVES, \$100 FEE <i>These include a featured performance during the final week.</i></p>	
<p>Collegium Musicum. Learn about and perform on historical instruments (no audition required).</p>	<p>Advanced Handbells. For students with handbell experience (onsite audition required).</p>
<p>Jazz Ensemble. Explore this uniquely American music (onsite audition required).</p>	<p>Jazz Improvisation. Learn improvisation skills (no audition required).</p>
<p>INSTRUCTIONAL ELECTIVES, \$70 FEE (except for Church Music) <i>These classes build lifelong musical skills.</i></p>	
<p>Class Piano. For beginners, learn the basics of piano in a small-group setting.</p>	<p>Class Piano. Identical to the class in Option A but offered on alternating days.</p>
<p>Beginning Handbells. Explore basic elements and techniques (no audition required).</p>	<p>Conducting. Explore styles and techniques. No experience necessary.</p>
<p>Church Music (NO FEE). Learn the roots of Lutheran hymnody and explore worship planning.</p>	<p>Intro to Pipe Organ. Learn how the pipe organ works and experience playing this majestic instrument.</p>

YOU MAY ALSO CHOOSE FROM ANY OF THESE ELECTIVES.

<p>Chapel Choir. Open to the entire LSM community, this non-audition choir rehearses daily and provides music for worship throughout LSM.</p>	<p>No Fee</p>
<p>Introductory Voice Workshop. Students not enrolled in Choir may sign up for this introductory class to learn basic vocal methods and skills.</p>	<p>\$70</p>
<p>Secondary Lessons. If you play a second instrument or sing, these faculty-led lessons meet once a week. Strongly suggested for all students wanting a second large ensemble placement. Note: additional audition required with application.</p>	<p>\$100</p>



TUITION AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Cost: \$2,995

(includes room/board and tuition)
We are committed to ensuring that all qualified students reach LSM. No tuition increase in seven straight summers and numerous types of financial aid mean LSM is affordable.

Financial Assistance.

Apply for financial assistance as part of the online process. The \$25 application fee is the only risk to discover how much we can do for you. Submit an online application by the following dates for early application discounts.

November 30, 2011 — \$250 discount

January 30, 2012 — \$200 discount

February 29, 2012 — \$150 discount

March 30, 2012 — \$100 discount

Need-based assistance.

Based on your family's financial need.

Merit-based scholarships.

Awarded to students who show strong musical and technical proficiency as demonstrated by the submitted audition recording.

Match grants.

Donations from a business, organization, or church are eligible to be matched by LSM at 33%. Donations from a church may qualify you for additional discounts through our Young Musicians Partnership (see page 8).

Transportation grants.

Awarded to students who must travel a great distance to reach LSM.

Lutheran Collegiate Partnership

LSM is a superb pre-college experience and a great investment. Many Lutheran colleges now provide scholarships to recruit and retain LSM alumni. For instance, Luther College offers a \$1,000/year scholarship. Learn more about all our Collegiate Partners at www.lutheransummermusic.org.

F A Q S

Is LSM only for Lutherans?

Absolutely not! While most of our students are Lutheran, we welcome and embrace students from many denominations and faiths.

What about the host campus?

Luther College is a private, liberal arts college renowned for its music program. The music building is home to a 325-seat recital hall, three rehearsal rooms, an organ studio, piano lab, percussion studio, faculty studios, and 36 practice rooms. The Center for Faith and Life is an acoustically designed concert and worship space for our large concerts. Dorm life in Farwell Hall and a gorgeous campus await you.

Is LSM accessible?

LSM provides reasonable accommodations for students with physical disabilities and engages a full-time nurse to support basic medical needs of students attending LSM. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, color, gender, disability, or national or ethnic origin.



How do I get there?

Decorah is located three hours southeast of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Int'l Airport (MSP). We provide a chaperoned shuttle between MSP and Decorah for a small fee.

FESTIVAL WEEK 2012

Parents, grandparents, and friends: mark your calendars and join us during the final week of LSM to celebrate music, faith, and friendship. Student solo and chamber recitals, a hymn festival, and concerts by the band, choir, and orchestra are all free and open to the public. Our complete events calendar and area hotel information can be found online at www.lutheransummermusic.org.



THIS SOUNDS GREAT! HOW DO I APPLY?

Visit www.lutheransummermusic.org for a complete application.

You'll need to submit the following:

- A completed online application;
- A recorded, live, or online audition (guidelines are available online);
- A musical recommendation from a music teacher or director;
- A personal recommendation from a teacher, pastor, or other adult;
- A non-refundable \$25 application fee.

Students are accepted on a rolling basis, and placements fill quickly. If you have questions, contact us at:

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“The combination of **faith** and **music** at Lutheran Summer Music is amazing. At LSM I felt supported in my music and as a person. LSM is literally my **heaven on earth**.”*



CONGREGATIONS: JOIN THE YOUNG MUSICIANS PARTNERSHIP

More than **90** congregations nationwide help send promising young musicians to LSM each year through the Young Musicians Partnership (YMP). Encourage your congregation to join the YMP! Benefits include:

- **10% tuition discount** for all member youth;
- **33% match** to your church's scholarship;
- **Partner resources** and a network of congregations committed to building the next generation of church musicians.

To receive more information about enrolling your congregation, contact Susan Olstad toll free at 888-635-6583 or solstad@lutheransummermusic.org.



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