

# LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC

ACADEMY & FESTIVAL

JUNE 22 – JULY 20, 2014

A training and performance program on the  
campus of Luther College, Decorah, Iowa  
Grades 8 - 12

[www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org)



ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR:

Band, Choir, Orchestra, Piano, Pipe Organ,  
**NEW for 2014!** Composition



## JOIN US

**Discover a place where music and faith meet in supportive community.** At Lutheran Summer Music (LSM), talented young musicians from across the country gather to be a part of this unique academy where:

**Musical excellence** is achieved through rigorous study and expressed in recitals and concerts during Festival Week. LSM students have the time they need to meaningfully build their musical skills and to experience music in different ways through electives.

**Faith exploration** is central to LSM. At worship, we welcome students of all different backgrounds.

**Supportive community** is grounded in values of faith, creating a place where all students can thrive and feel valued for their unique gifts.

We make it possible for any student to attend LSM by:

- Providing financial assistance and discounts to over 80% of students.
- Welcoming students of all religious backgrounds.
- Creating a support system that allows all LSM students to succeed.

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To learn more and apply online,  
visit our website:  
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Call or email us with your questions:  
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## LSM 2014 AT A GLANCE

**Who?** Band, orchestra, choir, piano, pipe organ and (*new for 2014!*) composition students completing grades 8-12 from across the U.S. and abroad. Taught by 30+ world-class faculty artists and guided by a team of dedicated counselors.

**What?** A four-week residential training and performance program for students of all religious backgrounds. Musical study, rehearsal, and performance are rooted in an intentional community that supports musical *and* personal growth.

**When?** June 22 – July 20, 2014

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

**Why?** If you're a dedicated young musician looking for a focused but fun summer... if you're thinking about studying or playing music in college (especially a Lutheran liberal arts college)... if you're looking for a community of friends that shares your love for music and faith... then: **LSM IS FOR YOU!**

**How?** The LSM application process begins online at [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org). You'll also find information on early enrollment discounts, financial aid, and merit scholarships. Applying is easy, so check us out today!

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**NEW! Composition** LSM now has primary composition placements for students. Students must submit an original composition and complete an online musicianship test that will be provided once the application has been received. Go to [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org) for details. Composition students will present their work in a culminating "Fresh Ink" recital.

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*"Whether it's the stillness you find in evening prayer or the glow of realizing just how perfectly your new friend understands you, you're likely to feel just right—whole, accepted, real—while you're here."*—2013 LSM Student

# OUR PROGRAM

LSM is comprised of three interconnected areas—MUSIC, FAITH, and COMMUNITY.

## MUSIC

**All LSM students participate in:**

**Private Lessons.** You'll receive two ½-hour voice, instrument, or composition lessons each week. You may also register for lessons on a secondary instrument.

**Large Ensemble.** You'll be placed by audition in band, choir, or orchestra. Students interested in placement in a second large ensemble must also submit an audition recording for that instrument or voice.

**Small Ensemble.** You'll play or sing in a chamber ensemble or composition group coached by LSM faculty.

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

**Electives.** See next page.

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

## FACULTY

LSM faculty artists are exceptional musicians and educators from the best professional ensembles, Lutheran colleges, and public universities in the country. Complete bios are posted on our website as they become available. Your 2014 conductors are:



### BAND

**Dr. Jeffrey Doebler**  
Valparaiso University



### CHOIR

**Dr. Andrew Last**  
Luther College



### ORCHESTRA

**Dr. David Upham**  
University of New Hampshire

## FAITH

Worship and service are 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 excellence is celebrated.



**CHAPEL CHOIR**  
**Dr. Zebulon Highben**  
Muskingum University

## COMMUNITY

You'll be part of a small student group led by a counselor who resides in the dormitory with you. Counselors serve as supportive mentors and plan fun activities that offer balance in the midst of your busy musical schedule.



# LSM ELECTIVES

Customize your LSM experience! Performance and Instructional electives encourage you to build new skills and dive into your unique musical interests.

**YOU MAY CHOOSE ONE (1) ELECTIVE FROM EACH OPTION BELOW.**

ELECTIVE OPTION A	ELECTIVE OPTION B
<b>PERFORMANCE ELECTIVES, \$100 FEE</b> <i>These include a featured performance during the final week.</i>	
<b>Collegium Musicum.</b> Explore Baroque and Renaissance music and instruments (no audition required).	<b>Advanced Handbells.</b> For students with handbell choir experience (onsite audition required).
<b>Jazz Ensemble.</b> Jazz theory, techniques, and history come together in this fun performance ensemble (onsite audition required).	<b>Jazz Improvisation.</b> Step out and learn improv skills (all instruments – no audition required).
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL ELECTIVES, \$70 FEE</b> (except for Church Music) <i>These classes build lifelong musical skills.</i>	
<b>Class Piano.</b> Beginners learn the basics of piano in a small-group lab setting.	<b>Class Piano.</b> Identical to Option A (but offered on alternating days).
<b>Beginning Handbells.</b> Explore basic handbell choir elements and techniques (no audition required).	<b>Conducting (choral and instrumental).</b> Grab a baton and lead (no experience required).
<b>Intermediate Composition.</b> Discover your creative voice (onsite musicianship assessment placement of level II or above required).	<b>Intermediate Composition.</b> Identical to Option A (but offered on alternating days).
<b>Church Music</b> (no fee). Lutheran hymnody, liturgical history, and worship planning are explored.	<b>Intro to Pipe Organ.</b> Learn how the pipe organ works and experience playing this majestic instrument (basic keyboard skills required).

**YOU MAY ALSO CHOOSE FROM ANY OF THESE ELECTIVES.**

<b>Chapel Choir.</b> This non-audition choir rehearses daily, provides music for worship throughout LSM, and is open to the entire community.	No Fee
<b>Secondary Lessons.</b> If you also sing or play a second instrument, you may sign up for weekly lessons with LSM faculty. Strongly suggested for all students wanting a second large ensemble placement (audition required with application).	\$100

# TUITION, ASSISTANCE, AND INCENTIVE

## LSM IS AFFORDABLE

We're committed to accessibility and offer many forms of financial assistance. We will award more than \$145,000 in aid for LSM 2014:

- Need-based aid: based on each family's unique financial need.
- Merit-based scholarships: for students who show strong musical and technical proficiency.
- Young Musicians Partnership (and Match Grants): donations from churches, businesses, booster groups, and local organizations are eligible to be matched by LSM at 33%. Learn more (see page 8).
- Transportation grants: funds for students who must travel a great distance to get to LSM.
- Early enrollment discount deadlines:  
November 30, 2013 - \$250  
January 30, 2014 - \$200  
February 28, 2014 - \$150  
March 31, 2014 - \$100



## TUITION

With so many forms of support, LSM's **base tuition of \$3,195** (includes four weeks room/board plus music instruction and activities) is significantly reduced for more than 80% of all applicants.

## LSM: A GREAT INVESTMENT

Nearly half of all ELCA, LCMS, and independent Lutheran colleges in the U.S. offer scholarships *specifically* to recruit and retain LSM alumni. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$5,000 per year for undergraduate study at some of the country's top private liberal arts colleges. LSM more than pays for itself if you plan to attend a **Lutheran Collegiate Partner** school. Check out the list of colleges and scholarships at [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org).

*"This is my fourth year coming to this camp and every year it gets better and better. My faith and musical abilities are truly stretched and strengthened. The music we sing is so meaningful and fun to perform, but oftentimes what touches my heart is the sound of 150 high school musicians singing praise to God through a hymn."*—2013 LSM Student



## IS LSM ONLY FOR LUTHERANS?

Absolutely not! While most students are Lutheran, we welcome and embrace students from many denominations and faiths. YOU are welcome at LSM.

## WHERE DOES LSM HAPPEN?

Luther College is a private, liberal arts college. Renowned for its own music program, Luther's music facilities are perfectly suited to our studio, rehearsal, practice, and performance needs. Worship in the Center for Faith & Life, student life in Farwell Hall, delicious meals, and recreational offerings await you on this gorgeous campus nestled in the sandstone river bluffs of northeastern Iowa.

## 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.

## CAN MY FAMILY COME TO PERFORMANCES?

Family and friends are invited (encouraged!) to join us for Festival Week. The final week of LSM features studio and chamber recitals, large ensemble concerts, a hymn festival, Bach Cantata, and more. Our events calendar and Decorah area hotel information is online at [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org).



## IS LSM ACCESSIBLE?

LSM takes place in ADA-compliant facilities and engages a full-time nurse to support the medical and wellness needs of LSM students. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, color, gender, disability, or national or ethnic origin.

## ARE INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE?

Yes! Student musicians who have completed two years of college are eligible to apply for 12 internships that support all aspects of the program. Learn more at [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org).



# HOW DO I APPLY?

Visit [www.lutheransummermusic.org](http://www.lutheransummermusic.org) to begin your online application. You'll need to submit the following:

- A completed online application form
- A CD recording, live, Skype®, YouTube®, or electronically submitted audition (guidelines 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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## CONGREGATIONS

**Join the Young Musicians Partnership:** More than 90 congregations nationwide help send promising young musicians to LSM each summer through the Young Musicians Partnership (YMP). Get your church involved and help train and support the next generation of musicians for the church! Benefits include:

- 10% tuition discount for all member youth
- 33% match to your church's scholarship
- Partner resources and a network of engaged churches committed to sustaining the rich musical heritage of the church

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## COLLEGIATE PARTNERSHIP

**Attendance at LSM qualifies you for nearly**

**25 college scholarships** through our Collegiate Partnership program. A growing number of Lutheran higher education institutions have scholarships exclusively for alumni of LSM, ranging from \$500 to \$6,000. To learn more, go to the Colleges/Universities section of our website for a list of participating schools.

