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**Dear Ed,**

Welcome to **Noteworthy!** We hope you enjoy this monthly update from the Campbellsville University School of Music. Please forward Noteworthy to people you think might benefit from receiving this regular update using the "Forward e-mail" link at the bottom of the newsletter.

## CU to hold tribute concerts to Chopin, Schumann

By Natasha Janes, student news writer

The School of Music at Campbellsville University will be presenting a Bicentennial Tribute to Frédéric Chopin and Robert Schumann during the last week of October as a celebration of the 200th anniversary of these composers' birth. There will be two nights of performances, Oct. 26 and Oct. 28.

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, Sylvia Kersenbaum will present a guest piano recital at 8 p.m. in The Gheens Recital Hall in Gosser Fine Arts Center at 210 University Drive, Campbellsville.

On Thursday, Oct. 28, School of Music faculty and students of Campbellsville University will present a chamber music recital of music by Chopin and Schumann.

Born in 1810, Chopin lived to 1849 and Robert Schumann to 1856.

Kersenbaum will be performing the Arabesque and Carnival by Schumann and the Ballade No. 3, Sonata No. 2 and Andante Spianato and Grand Polonaise by Chopin.

Kersenbaum holds degrees in performance, pedagogy and composition from the National Conservatory in Buenos Aires and Artists Diplomas from both the Academy of Santa Cecilia in Rome and the Academia Chigiana, Siena. She has appeared in recitals and as a soloist with

orchestras throughout Europe, the Far East, and North and South America.

Kersenbaum, who was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, has been a professor of piano at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green since 1976. In 1990 she was awarded Honorary Membership of the American Beethoven Society and the WKU Faculty Award for Research and Creativity.

On Thursday, Oct. 28, School of Music faculty and students of Campbellsville University will present a chamber music recital of music by Chopin and Schumann.

Participants will include clarinetist Gwanhee Park (Korea), soprano Margareth Moreira (Brazil), pianist Eunhye Lee (Korea), oboist Dong-Seok Yu (Korea), baritone Taeun Moon (Korea), pianist Yuri Kim (Korea), violinist Saelim Jung (Korea), cellist, Saulo DeAlmeida (adjunct instructor from Brazil), and pianist Dr. Wesley Roberts, CU professor of music.

This program will also be presented at the 2010 Kentucky Music Teachers Association Conference on Monday, Oct. 25, in Louisville.

## **CU hosts mock auditions for high school students**

The Campbellsville University School of Music is pleased to announce an exciting opportunity for high school students who may be interested in pursuing a major or minor in music at the college level. The School of Music will be hosting its second annual "College Prep" Day, on October 29, 2010.

"College Prep" Day, which is open to all vocal, piano, string, brass, woodwind and percussion performers, is a half-day event designed to give students a deeper understanding of life as a music major or minor at any college or university.

On the day of the event, students will perform a prepared piece in a "mock audition" for a panel of university faculty members and receive written feedback about their performance, take a theory and aural skills test similar to the entrance exams given by colleges and universities attend a mini-recital, featuring a variety of current university music majors, and participate in a panel discussion with Campbellsville University faculty and students discussing topics such as "How to prepare for an audition," "Choosing the right college," and "What you (really) need to know to survive your freshman year."

Students and their parents will have the opportunity to take a guided tour of Campbellsville University, and Admissions personnel will also be available throughout the morning to discuss college scholarships and financial aid options.

There is no cost to participate, but students must register. Students can enroll online at [www.campbellsville.edu/college-prep-day](http://www.campbellsville.edu/college-prep-day). Space is limited, so plan to enroll as soon as possible. Questions may be emailed Dr. William Budai at [whbudai@campbellsville.edu](mailto:whbudai@campbellsville.edu).

## **Budai receives Non-Tenured Faculty Award**

By Joan C. McKinney, news and publications coordinator

Dr. Bill Budai, assistant professor of piano at Campbellsville University, received the Non-Tenured Faculty Award at the first chapel of the semester.

Budai, who has served at CU two years, was presented the award for his "outstanding loyalty and commitment to Campbellsville University," said Dr. Frank Cheatham, vice president for academic affairs.

Cheatham said students have described him as an "awesome teacher" and a "great professor who knows what he's doing and it shows."

Cheatham said one student remarked, "He makes piano almost fun which is very hard to do."

Budai came to Campbellsville University from Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. He received a Bachelor of Music Degree in Music Education (keyboard) from Central Michigan University in 1992; a Master of Music in Piano Performance/Pedagogy from Bowling Green State University in 1995, and his Ph.D. in Music Education/Piano Pedagogy from the University of Oklahoma in 2005.

At Campbellsville University, he teaches both undergraduate and graduate piano and piano pedagogy classes as well as music literature.

Budai spent his summer working on general education reform at CU. He



Dr. Bill Budai, assistant professor of piano, stands with his wife, Marilee, and daughter, Annalynn, after winning the Non-Tenured Faculty Award. (Campbellsville University Photo by Joan C. McKinney)

has designed a "trial audition experience" for prospective students, which brought about 20 students to campus last fall.

He also was a member of a recruitment trip to Korea and Taiwan, and he presented workshops for undergraduate and graduate students there while also introducing those prospective students to Campbellsville University.

Budai has given numerous presentations and has been involved in several professional organizations including the College Music Society's National Conference, the Kentucky Music Teachers Association State Conference, the Indiana Music Teachers Association State Conference and the Metropolitan Detroit Musicians League.

He is on the board of the Kentucky Music Teachers Association and is president of the Central Kentucky Teachers Association.

He and his wife, Marilee, are volunteer music ministers in Abundant Life Assembly of God Church in Lebanon, Ky. They have a daughter, Annalynn Budai. He is the son of Diane Budai of Gladwin, Mich., and the late James Budai.

## **Hedrick and Roberts to give recital of "Sacred and Inspirational Songs"**

Dr. David Hedrick (tenor) and Dr. Wesley Roberts (piano) will present a Faculty Recital of "Sacred and Inspirational Songs" on Monday, Nov. 1, at 8:00 p.m. in Gheens Recital Hall.

The program will consist of old favorites by historical composers, including two movements from Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, Franck's *Panis Angelicus*, and Fauré's *The Palms*, and contemporary composers, including Malotte's *The Lord's Prayer*, John Jacob Niles's *I Wonder as I Wander*, and Adams's *The Holy City*.

Other selections will include the penetrating *At the Cry of the First Bird* by David Guion and the revered *I'll Walk with God* by Nicholas Brodzky. The program will close with two inspiration selections by Rodgers and Hammerstein, *You'll Never Walk Alone* and *Climb Ev-ry Mountain*.

## **Calendar of Events**

All events are at The Gheens Recital Hall in the Gosser Fine Arts Center unless otherwise indicated and are free of charge. For information, contact the School of Music at 270-789-5237.

Since some concerts and recitals may change; please check the School of Music Web site here for complete and up-to-date information.

Oct. 18: Masters Recital: Saelim Jung, violin, 8 p.m.  
Oct. 26: Guest Recital: Sylvia Kersenbaum, piano, 8 p.m.  
Oct. 28: A Bicentennial Tribute to Chopin & Schumann, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 1: Faculty Recital: David Hedrick, tenor, and Wesley Roberts, piano, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 3: Jazz Ensemble at Convocation, 10 a.m., Ransdell Chapel  
Nov. 4: Steel Band, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 6: Handbell Ensemble, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 7: Clarinet Choir & Saxophone Quartet, 3 p.m.  
Nov. 8: Chamber Winds & Strings, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 9: Noon Organ Series - David Doran, 12:20 p.m., Ransdell Chapel  
Nov. 9: Flute Ensemble, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 11: Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 12: Chamber Choir, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 16: Jazz Ensemble at Kentucky Baptist Convention, Lexington

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