Spring registration is open and forms are now available! Spring programs include private music instruction on all instruments and voice; fiddle classes; Suzuki method instruction on violin, viola, and cello—including parent beginner classes; ballet and jazz dance classes for children and teens/adults; Academy Orchestra; String Ensemble; Percussion Discovery; Music for Youth (Music Mind Games and Music & Movement); and Body Mapping seminar. Classes fill up quickly, so make sure to reserve your spot today. Registration forms can be found on the Academy website (nau.edu/cal/academy) and in the Ponderosa lobby (just outside our office). Payment can be made in our office, by mail, or over the phone (928-523-1889).

Thanks to Dance Club for their generous donation to the NAU Foundation. Their contribution helped to offset costs to dancers participating in this year’s Youth America Grand Prix competition in San Diego, CA.

Thanks to Carrie Odem and Olives Wild for their donation to the NAU Foundation after the first ever Suzuki Strings profit share event—thanks also to all who participated in this event by patronizing Olives Wild!

Congratulations to Wesley Hunter (violin/viola teacher) who was honored with the NAU Gold Axe award for exemplary seniors.

Congratulations to the following students who completed at least 50 consecutive days of practice as part of the most recent 50 Days Challenge: Saoirse Ziegler (50 days), Barret Sasser-Miller (70 days), Nathan Randall (227 days), Zach Guise (298 days), Zack Odem (500 days), Lily Anderson (70 days), Ethan Anderson (70 days), Evelyn Rushall (1,030 days), Elenor Rushall (800 days), Isabel Rushall (1,030 days), Gwendolyn Walther (60 days), Clara Grams (67 days), Tucker Grams (62 days), Sophia Venetiou (100 days), Brienne Harvey (64 days), Keenan Graber (53 days), Rita Hunter-Massey (60 days), Eliza Moyer (528 days), Meg Stringer (50 days), Katie Stringer (50 days), Liam Friederici (100 days), Jorah Coffey (87 days), Elijah Venetiou (50 days), Joey Tognacci (98 days), Violet Souders (50 days), and Ruby Bessler (50 days) who completed at least 50 consecutive days of practice as part of this semester's 50 Days challenge!

Dr. Jacquelyn Schwandt (viola teacher) will be performing the Rebecca Clarke Viola Sonata which has been recently orchestrated, with the Flagstaff Symphony Orchestra on Friday, January 17th.
**Upcoming Events**

12/4/13: Suzuki Strings group recital, 4:15pm, Ashurst  
12/6-7/13: The Nutcracker, 7:30pm, Ardrey Memorial Auditorium  
12/7/13: The Nutcracker—Lollipop performance, 2pm, Ardrey Auditorium  
12/9/13: Orchestra concert, 7:30pm, Sinagua Middle School Auditorium  
12/10-11/13: Suzuki Strings formal recitals, 4pm, 5pm, & 6pm, Ashurst Hall  
12/12/13: Voice studio master class, 5:30pm, room 147  
12/14/13: MTNA Holiday recital, 6pm, room 146  
12/15/13: Voice studio recital, 6:15pm, room 147  
12/23/13-1/14: WINTER BREAK—No Classes or Rehearsals  
12/25/13-1/4/14: OFFICE CLOSED  
12/31/13: Winter Break—No Classes or Rehearsals  
1/4/14: Payroll deductions begin  
1/5/14: MLK DAY—No Classes or Rehearsals  
1/6/14: Spring dance classes begin  
1/6-9/14: Suzuki Parent beginner class, 6:30-8:30pm, room 137  
1/8/14: Academy Orchestra auditions, 4-6pm, room 137 (call or email to schedule an audition)  
1/14/14: Adult fiddle begins, 5:30pm, Ponderosa room 112  
1/16/14: Suzuki Strings Play-In, 4:15pm, Ashurst Hall  
1/17-19/14: Youth America Grand Prix, San Diego, CA  
1/20/14: MLK DAY—OFFICE CLOSED—No Classes or Rehearsals  
1/23/14: Suzuki Strings group classes begin (*see schedule for details)—this includes MMG, Music & Movements, and String Ensemble  
1/24/14: Payroll deductions begin  
1/25/14: Celebrate Youth Day, Suzuki Strings performance time TBA, Flagstaff Mall  
1/27/14: Orchestra rehearsal begins, 6:30pm, Sinagua Middle School  
1/31/14: Final day to apply discounts to spring registrations  
2/3/14: Third quarterly payment due for year-long registrations  
2/7/14: MLK DAY—No Classes or Rehearsals  
2/27/14: Informal Suzuki recitals, 4pm & 5pm, room 219  
3/3/14: No orchestra rehearsal  
3/4/14: Piano recitals, 6pm & 7pm, Ashurst Hall

**Other News**

**Send Us Your Pictures!**

Our Academy students participate in so many fabulous events throughout the year and unfortunately, we can’t be at every one of them so please send us your pictures. We’d love to post them to our website, on Facebook, on our bulletin boards, and here in Academy newsletters!

**Weather Closures & Delays**

The days are getting shorter and weather colder! All weather related cancellations, delays, and closures will be updated on our **Snow Line at (928) 523-2333**. Please check this number for updates before calling the Academy Office. We will also continue to do our best to update our Facebook and main website pages with the latest information.

**What Do You Think?**

We’re always looking for ways to improve and offer an even better experience to all our families and students. To help us do so, we will be sending out a link to a short, survey. The link will also be available on our website and our Facebook page. Please take a few minutes to tell us what you think. We appreciate all feedback!

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