



MVNU MUSIC DEPARTMENT ENSEMBLES AND PRIVATE LESSONS

Welcome to MVNU. If music is an important part of your life, we hope you continue making music in some way at MVNU. **All of the Music Department ensembles are open to the entire student body, some through audition. They may be taken either for the credit designated or for 0 credit if your schedule is full.** Being in a music group is a great way to connect to the campus community and to other students. The descriptions of most of the ensembles are in your summer orientation booklet.

Private lessons in voice, piano, organ, wind instruments, string instruments, guitar, and composition are open first to music majors and minors, and then to the general student body as space is available (and there is usually space). These must be taken for credit and a \$180 fee per semester applies. This is for twelve 30 minute lessons. See below for more information about auditions and placement. For beginning guitarists we recommend Guitar Class, APM1091.

Please read the information below and feel free to contact any of the faculty by phone or email. We look forward to seeing you very soon.

MUSIC OFFICE - Located on the first floor of the chapel to the right as you walk through the lobby
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Dr. Robert Tocheff, Department Chair, ext. 3001; btocheff@mvnu.edu

CHORAL ENSEMBLES

Treble Singers Women's Choir ENS1021 - 1 credit hr., M-T-W-R- 4:30-5:30

Prof. Virginia Cameron, director; ext. 3002; vcameron@mvnu.edu

Goliards Chamber Choir ENS1020 - .5 credit hr., T-R- 3:20-4:20

Prof. Virginia Cameron, director; ext. 3002; vcameron@mvnu.edu

Collegians Chorale ENS1011 - 1 credit hr., M-T-W-4:30-5:30, R- 4:30-5:40

Dr. Robert Tocheff, director; ext. 3001; btocheff@mvnu.edu

Music Stage Production (Fall only) ENS1001 - 1 credit hr., Friday rehearsals to be arranged; this year we are doing the beautiful Christmas opera *Amahl and the Night Visitors* by Menotti.

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

Symphonic Wind Ensemble ENS1031 - 1 credit hr. M-W-F - 3:20-4:20

Dr. John Packard, director; ext. 3004; jpackard@mvnu.edu

Chamber Winds ENS1090 (**Brass and Woodwind Ensembles**) - .5 credit hr., Woodwinds-Tues. TBA; Brass-Thurs. TBA, Dr. Packard, director

Jazz Band ENS1070 - .5 credit hr., rehearsals – Monday 5:40-7:40pm; Mr. Rick Brunetto, director (contact the Music Office or Dr. Packard for information)

Flute Choir ENS2010 - .5 credit hr., rehearsals - Tuesday 10:20-11:20
Jennifer Packard, director; jennifer.packard@mvnu.edu

Pep Band ENS1080 - .5 credit hr., Tuesdays-7:00-8:30, starting early-October; Dr. John Packard, director

String Ensemble - rehearsals TBA, director, Mrs. Sharon Blaydes, (contact the Music Office or Dr. Packard for information)

A **Percussion Ensemble** will be formed if there is enough interest.

For any questions about the instrumental program contact Dr. John Packard or the Music Office.

AUDITIONS FOR ENSEMBLES AND PRIVATE LESSONS - Sign-up sheets and specific information will be posted just inside the main doors of the chapel. It is suggested that you sign up for the earliest time available to you. There should be audition times offered that do not conflict with the other Welcome Week activities.

AUDITION SCHEDULE:

Choral Auditions: Sunday, August 28, 2:00-6:00pm (Monday's schedule is tight, so we suggest trying for Sunday first) – Nease Hall in the chapel

Monday, August 29: 11:45am-1:00pm and 4:15pm-6:00pm – Nease Hall in the chapel

Bring a prepared piece in any style that is comfortable for you. An accompanist will be provided as well as a CD/tape player. Memory is not required. You will also do some sight-reading. For this, we will choose an unfamiliar hymn and have you sing your part while the pianist is playing all four parts. It is painless!

Instrumental Auditions:

Symphonic Wind Ensemble – NO initial audition. The first rehearsals will be Wednesday, August 31 and Friday, September 2, 3:20-4:20pm. in Nease Hall in the chapel. **ALL** interested wind and percussion players should attend. Placement auditions for seating assignments will be held on Monday, Sept. 5, 3-7pm. This audition is required of music majors and minors. It is highly recommended for new members but not required. Contact Dr. Packard for more information.

Chamber Winds - Audition required. Please contact Dr. Packard for more information. Auditions this year will be Monday, Sept. 5th.

Jazz Band – All those interested in Jazz Band should attend the first regular rehearsal on Monday, September 5 - 5:40-7:40pm in Nease Hall in the chapel. Mr. Brunetto will discuss the audition process at that time. **Bring your instrument and be prepared to play.**

Pep Band – No audition required. Sign up in the chapel foyer. Pep Band starts in early October.

Flute Choir, Percussion and String Ensembles – These ensembles may require an audition. Contact the director or Dr. Packard for more information.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Instrumental

There will be specific instructions in the chapel foyer for those interested in studying wind and string instruments, percussion and guitar. Placement into regular college level private study or preparatory level will be made after your first lesson. Beginning guitarists are encouraged to consider Guitar Class APM1091, Tues. & Thurs. 11:30-12:30.

Piano and Organ, and Accompanying

The placement auditions for private piano lessons and accompanying will take place Monday, August 29, 11:45am-1:00 and 4:15-5:30pm in Chapel 230 (upstairs and to the right). You should bring a prepared piece representative of your skill level. If you have studied classical literature, it would be preferable for you to play this type of piece; if not, bring what you are comfortable with. Our piano instructor is Dr. JoAnn Koh-Baker ext. 3008; jkoh@mvnu.edu

Please tell us if you are interested in accompanying for private lessons. This is a real need and a good source of income for you as a work study job. Sign up for a time to assess your ability in this area.

Those interested in private **organ** lessons please email Dr. Tocheff before you arrive. Also sign the designated sheet when you get to campus. It is assumed you have keyboard skills.

Voice

Private voice auditions will be held Monday, August 29, 6:15pm-8:00pm in Chapel 206 (upstairs and to your left). **Note that this is a separate audition apart from the choral auditions.** Also, for the private study audition it is preferable that you prepare something of a classical nature, e.g. art song, aria, folk song or musical theater, etc. If you

don't have such a piece, bring what you are comfortable with. Contact Professor Virginia Cameron (ext.3002) vcameron@mvnu.edu or the Music Office for any questions about vocal study.

Composition

Those interested in studying composition should sign the designated sheet. These lessons can begin only after the first year prerequisites have been met, or permission from the instructor.

FYI

Chapel Praise Teams are handled through the Chaplain's office. The campus body will be notified of these auditions shortly after classes begin.

Music and Ministry groups (PR groups) are handled through the Admissions Office. That email address is admissions@mvnu.edu