

GARDEN CITY FRIENDS OF MUSIC

"MUSIC GIVES A SOUL TO THE UNIVERSE, WINGS TO THE MIND, FLIGHT TO THE IMAGINATION AND LIFE TO EVERYTHING" - PLATO



STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

All-National Honor Ensemble

Two high school students, Alexis Grace Spera (alternate) and Rose Kelly, were selected to the National Association for Music Education's 2017 All-National Mixed Choir Honor Ensemble. Selected students performed at Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL, in November. The concerts feature top conductors leading 670 of the nation's top music students.



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NYSSMA All-State Musicians

Nine high school students were selected as All-State Musicians for this year's NYSSMA All-State Conference held late November. Congratulations to Alexis Grace Spera, Alan Jian, Rose Kelly (alt.), Liam Dougherty, Brandon Gong, Amanda Nastasi, Stephen Iovino, Seungmin Woo, and Margaret Chiang.

All County Concert

91 Garden City musicians were selected as Nassau County All-County Musicians to perform at the Tilles Center in January, 2018. Congratulations to everyone!

Marching Band

The HS Marching Band ended its season with its top score this year at the US Bands National Finals in Allentown, PA in November. The band earned first place finishes at three previous events and achieved a second place finish at the NYS Championship in October.

OUR MISSION

Promote music education at all levels by raising revenues to provide state-of-the-art music programs

Purchase musical instruments and other equipment for student use

Promote opportunities for the Garden City community to share the benefits of our students' musical talents

Provide financial assistance for musical events and field trips

Provide monetary scholarship to a graduating senior who plans to pursue music studies

Award deserving students at both Elementary Schools, the Middle School and the High School in vocal, string, band and electronic music categories.

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High School Fall Theatre
GCHS Masquers performed The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee in November.

Stewart School Opera
The 5th grade students performed The Tales of Hoffmann on January 18.

Stratford School Musical
The 5th grade students performed Beauty & the Beast, Jr. in February.

Middle School
The Music Box Players performed Peter Pan, Jr. on March 2 and 3

High School Spring Theatre
GCHS Masquers performed Brooklyn Boy in March.

Adelphi University's Performing Arts Center
On February 2, Broadway singer Mandy Gonzales performed musical selections accompanied by student vocalists from Garden City High School.

Carnegie Hall Honor Concert Chorus
High School senior Annalise LoBiondo and junior Elizabeth Fetherston performed in the Honors Series at Carnegie Hall in February. Students from across the United States and five countries joined with prominent guest conductors for the concert series.

In December, Garden City students in all schools performed festive vocal and instrumental concerts for the holiday season.



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A huge THANK YOU goes out to Barbara McElroy for her 5 years of service as FOM's president! We look forward to her guidance in the upcoming years!

UPCOMING CONCERTS AND MUSICAL EVENTS

March 12, 2018: TRI-M Induction Ceremony HS Auditorium @ 7PM

March 27, 2018: MS Spring Concert at High School (Band/PM Jazz) @ 7PM

April 17 & 18, 2018: NYSSMA Festival Area 6 at West Hempstead

April 20 & 21, 2018: NYSSMA All-State/All-State Jazz/Vocal at East Meadow

April 25, 2018: Stratford 2nd Grade Spring Sing at Stratford (9AM & 10AM)

April 25, 2018: High School Spring Concert at High School (Women's Choir/Chamber Choir/Wind Symphony/Wind Ensemble) @ 7PM

April 27 & 28, 2018: NYSSMA Classical Guitar at Wantagh

FRIENDS OF MUSIC DONATION

On February 26, 2018, the Garden City Friends of Music donated a new, high quality Tuba for the Garden City High School's upper level bands, Wind Symphony and Wind Ensemble.

Dr Nina Prasso, the District Coordinator of Music and the Arts said, "Thank you so very much! Our students will be thrilled."



FOM sells flowers at concerts to raise funds for the school's music programs

MEMORIAL BENEFIT CONCERT



BOBBY MENGES "I'M NOT DONE YET" BENEFIT CONCERT

ON

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018

@ GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL INEZ SPIERS AUDITORIUM AT 7:00 PM

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$10 CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL

PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE "I'M NOT DONE YET" FOUNDATION

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