

# KOSA News "N" Notes

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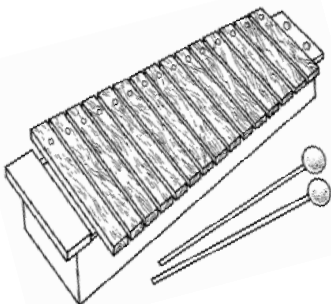
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## Happy New Year KOSA!

Dear KOSA members,

*As we enter our second half of the 2009-2010 year, I come to the realization that this is my last President's letter! I have been so honored to served as KOSA President for the past two years and am so excited about our upcoming President, Valerie Durham. She will do a fantastic job leading our organization, but like all of us, she will need your help and support.*

*I've learned over my time on the KOSA board that my four favorite words to hear from a KOSA member at a workshop are, "What can I do?". The answers vary from, "The piano needs to be moved", to "Could you help put out the xylophones?", but there is almost always a job that needs to be attended to. So in my last letter to you, our members, I ask, "What can you do?"*

*Are you filled with excitement over a new lesson or idea learned? You can be a Chapter Share presenter in 2011! Are you great at making visuals for lessons? You can make an extra set to donate to our auction at the Chapter Share! Are you a person who feels the call to serve? You can offer your time and service to KOSA as a member of our board when positions become available. Just like the Schulwerk in your classroom, there is a place for everyone!!!*

*I sincerely thank you all for such a successful fall and look forward to two more fantastic workshops in 2010! May God abundantly bless each of you as you continue to touch the lives of children through the music you give them each day.*

*Sincerely,  
Sharon Willmarth  
KOSA President*

## Remaining 2009 - 2010 Workshops

### Chapter Share

January 23, 2010

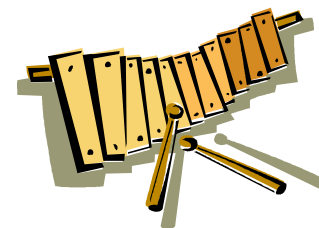
9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

University of Kentucky Fine Arts Building Rm 117 (next to Guinol Theater)

*Knock-out Presentations by:*

**Guy Younce, Tracey Book, Jennifer Wilson & Jamie Albritton**

### *Silent & Live Auction*



It's time for our annual silent auction during our Chapter Share on January 23. Please consider bringing an item to include in our auction! This is our one fundraiser of the year, so dig through your closets and find some music treasures to donate. Also, West Music will be sending a bookstore with top selling General Music and Orff materials. A percentage of the West sales will be donated to KOSA, so please bring your checkbook and some extra spending money.



Please remember to bring something to share for potluck lunch at each workshop.

Drinks and paper goods will be provided.

### *About the Presenters:*

**Guy Younce**, music teacher at Harmony Elementary School in Goshen, Kentucky has been teaching for 26 years with 21 of those years in Oldham County. He holds Levels I, II and III in Orff certification and Levels I and II in Kodaly certification. Even after 26 years of teaching, he is still learning how to be the best music teacher he can be. He will be making a presentation on Ken Phillips' informative book "Teaching Kids to Sing." Guy says: "There is no more beautiful sound than when children sing well." Kim completed Level I training this past summer at U of K and has been a member of the Kentucky Chapter for two years. She teaches music, grades JK through 3 at St. Francis School in Goshen, Ky.

**Jamie Albritton** is the music specialist at La Grange Elementary School in Oldham County. He holds a Bachelor of Music Education and a Masters in the Art of Teaching from the University of Louisville. Mr. Albritton is currently in his second year at La Grange where he teaches Kindergarten through 5th grade. In addition to his daily commitments, Mr. Albritton directs two after school groups that focus on student creativity through the construction of music while integrating art, dance, technology, and various other mediums. Mr. Albritton previously taught in the Franklin County Public School system where he was the music specialist at Westridge Elementary and the Assistant Band Director at Western Hills High School.

**Tracey Book** is in her third year of teaching general music at Loveland Primary and Elementary Schools in Loveland, OH. She received her B.S. in Music Education at Xavier University and is currently working on her Masters in Music Education with an emphasis in Orff-Schulwerk at University of Kentucky. Tracey has completed her Level I Orff training at CCM and Levels II and III at University of Kentucky. She has also had the pleasure of taking a summer course at the Orff-Institute in Salzburg, Austria. In addition, Tracey directs the children's choir at Knox Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, leads an Orff ensemble and a drumming ensemble at Loveland Elementary School, and also serves on the Cincinnati and Kentucky Orff Chapter boards.

**Jennifer Wilson** holds a BA from North Kentucky University and is currently working on her masters degree from the University of Kentucky. In addition, she has completed Levels I and II of Orff Certification from the UK. She is in her fifth year of teaching K-4 at Harrison County where she teaches music at four different schools. Jennifer conducts an after school select choir and a keyboarding class. She also serves as the Music Director at Falmouth Christian Church.

# Directions to Workshops

## Directions to Beargrass Christian Church:

**From Points East of Louisville, Take I-64 East** to the Waterson Expressway/I-264 E exit, exit 12. Merge onto Shelbyville Road/US 60 Truck West via exit 20B and go towards St. Matthews. Beargrass Christian Church is located at 4100 Shelbyville Rd.

**From Points South of Louisville: Take I-65 North** to I-264 East, exit 131-A. Follow exit 20, Shelbyville Road/US 60, towards St. Matthews/Middletown. Merge onto Shelbyville Road/US 60 Truck West via exit 20B and go towards St. Matthews. Beargrass Christian Church is located at 4100 Shelbyville Rd.

**From Points North of Louisville: Take I-71 South** towards Louisville. Merge onto I-264 East via exit 5 on the left. Follow exit 20, Shelbyville Road/US 60, towards St. Matthews/Middletown. Merge onto Shelbyville Road/US 60 Truck West via exit 20B and go towards St. Matthews. Beargrass Christian Church is located at 4100 Shelbyville Rd.

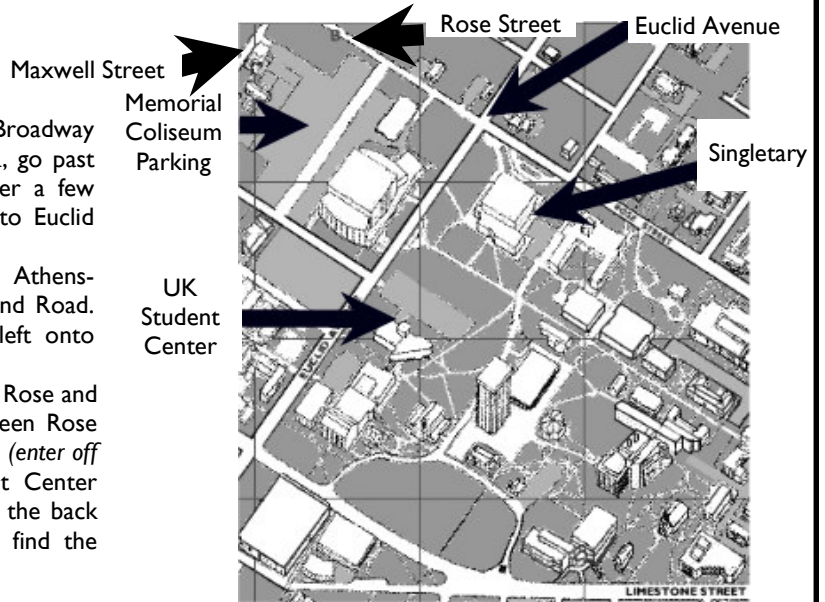


## Directions to UK Fine Arts Center:

**From I-64 or I-75, north of Lexington**, take Broadway Exit (US-68) and go south. Following the signs to UK, go past downtown, then turn left onto Maxwell Street. After a few blocks, turn right onto Rose Street. Go one block to Euclid Avenue.

**From I-75 south of Lexington**, take Athens-Boonesborough (Exit 104), and turn left onto Richmond Road. Follow Richmond Road towards downtown. Turn left onto Rose Street. Go a few blocks to Euclid Avenue.

**The Fine Arts Center** is located at the corner of Rose and Euclid, (also called The Avenue of Champions) between Rose Street and Limestone. Parking is behind the coliseum (enter off Rose Street a little before Euclid) or beside the Student Center (enter off Euclid/Avenue of Champions). Come around to the back of Singletary Center (next to the Fine Arts Building) to find the workshop.



**March 13, 2010**

**Brent Gault**

**Successful Sequencing: A Synthesis of Approaches for Developing Musicianship**

**9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Beargrass Christian Church  
Louisville, KY**



## 2010 KMEA ANNUAL IN-SERVICE CONFERENCE

**February 3-6  
Louisville, Kentucky**

Plan to attend the 2010 KMEA Annual In-Service Conference in Louisville this February. Artie Almeida and our own Rob Amchin will be leading sessions. Don't miss this great professional development opportunity!



## JOIN AOSA!



### AOSA MEMBERSHIP COSTS

AOSA regular one-year membership dues are \$75.00. One year student membership dues are \$35.00. One-year membership for retired teachers is \$50.00.

### AOSA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership benefits include receiving the quarterly journal, The Orff Echo, and quarterly newsletter, Reverberations; AOSA Scholarship and Research Grants, access to the AOSA Video Library, the annual AOSA membership directory; a list of approved Orff Certification and related courses mailed out each spring; job information regarding Orff-Schulwerk teaching positions throughout the U.S.; and the annual national conference.

For membership information:

- Call national headquarters at (440) 543-5366
- E-mail Hdqtrs@AOSA.org
- Visit <http://www.aosa.org>.

*Please support long-time KOSA member and past-president, LuAnn Hayes, in the upcoming AOSA elections. LuAnn is a candidate for the position of Region VI Representative on the National Board of Trustees. If selected, she would serve as one of two representatives from the Midwest Region which includes Kentucky. Her answers to a candidate questionnaire and her vita are available at [www.aosa.org](http://www.aosa.org). Ballots will be mailed to all AOSA members in January.*

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## **UK SUMMER CERTIFICATION COURSE \$350 SCHOLARSHIP!**

KOSA will award one scholarship in the amount of \$350 for this summer's certification course at UK. This scholarship will enable a KOSA member or college student to further their knowledge and teaching skills through Orff-Schulwerk.

For more information or an application, contact: Deb Shirley  
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You can access the application through the KOSA website: <http://www.kyorff.org>

### ***Orff Schulwerk Teacher Training at UK*** **Level I and II and Curriculum Development**

Orff Courses Summer 2010:

**Teacher Training Levels 1 & 2**

**With Brian Crisp, Cindy Hall, Jay Broeker, and Brian Burnett**  
**June 21 to July 2, 2010**

**Curriculum Development: Jay Broeker June 21-26 Level II Prerequisite**

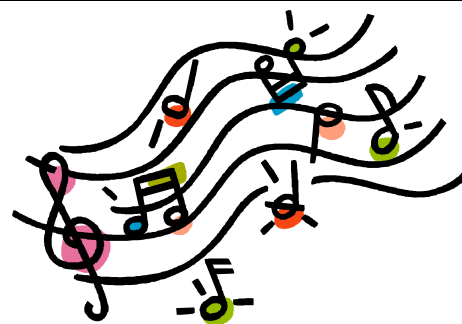
**Orff-Based Arts Lessons: Sarah Richardson June 28-July 2 No Prerequisite**

Course Content follows the curriculum approved by the American Orff-Schulwerk Association. Each level meets for 6.5 hours each day for ten weekdays. Daily sessions will focus on ensemble playing, lessons and pedagogy, recorder techniques, dance and movement, and special topics. 2 to 4 semester credits available.

For further course information, please contact:

Dr. Cecilia Wang

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## Check Out These Websites!



**KOSA:** <http://www.kyorff.org>

**AOSA:** <http://www.aosa.org>

**KMEA:** <http://www.kmea.org>

**MENC:** <http://www.menc.org>



## INCLEMENT WEATHER?

Call (859) 230-2220 or

Check the KOSA website

to see if Workshops are cancelled.

**One hour graduate credit** is available from the University of Kentucky for attending three KOSA Saturday workshops.

**Contact:** *Dr. Cecilia Wang*  
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