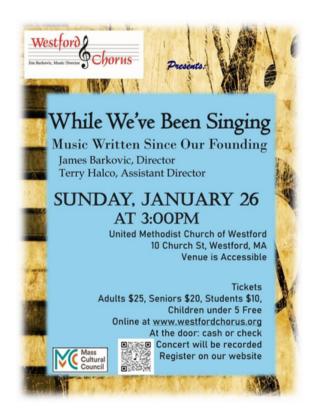




Student Performances

Two of our vocal students, Anna Ryan and Steve Taylor, performed at the Westford Chorus' Winter Concert on January 26th! They performed many recently composed choral pieces that have been arranged in the past 41 years, when the Westford Chorus was founded. Congratulations to Anna and Steve!





Love with Music Event

Fall in love with music as Wendee Glick and Steve Heck perform love songs in our Music Hall at Music Elements (160 Turnpike Rd, Chelmsford, MA)! The event will take place from 7:00pm-8:00pm on Saturday, February 22.

To reserve tickets
(\$20/person), email anita@music-elements.com or call 978-221-5641!







Our Holiday Album is Out!



Our Music Elements holiday CD is now available to purchase! Each CD costs \$5.00. Please see Regina or Madison at the front desk for a copy!

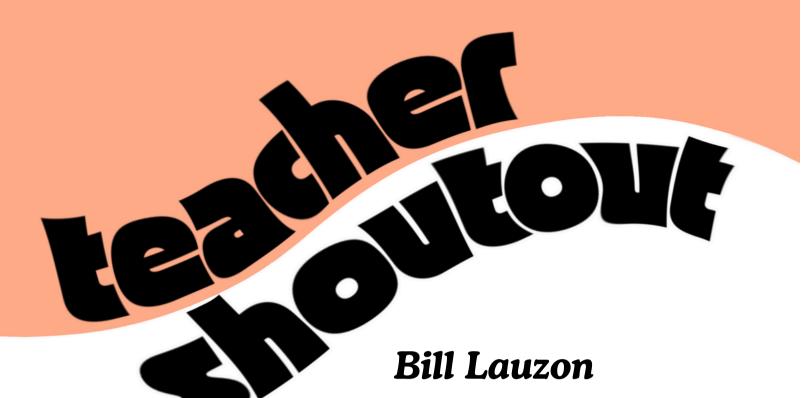


Happy Birthday!

Arhaan Srivastava, Joshua Shariat, Mahira Shaik, Sedrick Grady, and Bhavadeep Krishnan

Music Elements has **no school closings** this month! We will be open through February break, Valentine's Day (2/14), and President's Day (2/17).







This month's teacher shout-out goes to Bill, one of our drums teachers! Bill has playing drums professionally in the Boston area for over 40 years. He started drum lessons at 8 years old and began playing professionally at age 18 at restaurants, clubs, shows, and hotels. Bill has a variety of experience in dums, and he recently finished a 14 year engagement with the Jambalaya Jazz Band which was led by Jim Kilroy. Additionally, Bill has studied drums with Donn Carr (Berklee College, owner of the Donn Carr Drum studio), and taught at Donn's studio with a full schedule of 40 students per week. He also attends master drum classes with Dave Weckl, Steve Smith, Pat Petrillo, and Horacio Hernandez. Thank you to Bill for sharing your love of music with us!





Jam with us!

Bring your instrument-- or your voice-- and join a jam session with us! Sessions will take place on the **second Tuesday of every month**, **7:00-8:30pm**, starting on **March 11th**. All ages are welcome! Tickets are \$5;
email melissa@music-elements.com or call 978-221-5641.

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Chocolate Truffles

Impressive and yet easy to make, these chocolate truffles are perfect for Valentine's Day. Make them as a delicious giftable treat (even for yourself)!



See next page for directions!



Ingredients:

Yields: About 1½ cups ganache, or 24 truffles

- % cup heavy cream
- 8 oz good quality bittersweet chocolate, chopped
- Unsweetened cocoa powder as needed



Directions:

- 1. Heat cream in a pot until it steams. Put chocolate in a bowl, pour hot cream on top, and stir until chocolate is melted and incorporated into cream.
- 2. Chill until solid all the way through, 1 to 2 hours. Using a chilled melon baller or latex gloves to prevent the ganache from melting or sticking to your hands, scoop out about a tablespoonful and quickly roll it into a ball. Repeat, lining truffles on a plate or a baking sheet.
- 3. If truffles become too soft to handle, place them in refrigerator or freezer for a few minutes. Roll them in cocoa powder, confectioners' sugar or a mixture of sugar and ground cinnamon. Serve immediately or store, wrapped in plastic, in refrigerator for up to four days.

Valentine's Farm Fun

If you're in the mood-d for farm fun, visit Good Pickin' Farm for their Valentines Day event! There will be breweries, a heart hunt, sledding, crafts, a petting zoo, live music, and more!

 Saturday, February 8th, 2:00pm 6:00pm at Good Pickin' Farm (5 Gould Rd, Westford, MA).

Lowell Winterfest 2025

Visit a can't-miss weekend festival in Lowell, including fire sculptures, ice carvings, live music, a soup competition, local art vendors, a chocolate festival, food trucks, and more!

Friday, February 21st starting at 6:15pm and Saturday, February 22nd starting at 12:00pm, located throughout the heart of the city of Lowell, MA.



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thanks for reading!

Best wishes from our teachers and staff: Aleah, Anita, Bill Lauzon, Dan, Elizabeth, John, Joseph, Judie, Justin, Madison, Melissa, Navarre, Bill West, Nicoletta, Peter, Regina, Lekha, Tinson, and Tyler!

Want to be featured in the newsletter? Email madison@music-elements.com or fill out the form in the waiting room!

"If you learn music, you'll learn history. If you learn music, you'll learn mathematics. If you learn music, you'll learn most all there is to learn."

Edgar Cayce reading 3053-3

