

# Education Through Music



®

VOLUME 11, ISSUE 2

USING MUSIC AND THE ARTS TO ENHANCE STUDENTS' ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND GENERAL DEVELOPMENT

WINTER 2007-2008

Without Music...

Math

Language

History

Reading

Science

School Just Isn't  
Complete!

**Administrative Staff**

Katherine Damkohler  
*Executive Director*

Stephen Herx  
*Director of Programs*

Rainah Berlowitz  
*Director of Operations*

Katherine Canning  
*Director of Development and  
Program Evaluation*

Emily Estock  
*Events & Communications  
Coordinator*

Amy Burghardt  
*Financial & Administrative  
Manager*

Larissa Koehler  
*Program Associate*

Chris Marolf  
Leah Potteiger

*Field Supervisors*

**Board of Directors**

Edmund R. Schroeder  
*Chairman*

Eldon C. Mayer, Jr.  
*First Vice-Chairman*

Walter J. Handelman  
*Second Vice-Chairman*

Dennis Oakley  
*Treasurer*

Katherine D. Elliott  
Victor J. Goldberg

Carmela S. Haklisch  
Seung-Hee H. Kang

Karen M. Karlsrud  
Mara L. Klein

Andrew J. Malik

Joseph F. McDonald

Nancy P. Northern

Edward J. Petner

Michael R. Schaefer

Emily H. Susskind

Robert A. Weisstuch

**Advisory Committee**

Joshua Bell

The 5 Browns

Misha Dichter

Peter Flanigan

Jane Remer

Thomas Sobol

Harold Tanner

Walfredo Toscanini

## Famed Performing Group “The 5 Browns” Joins ETM’s Advisory Committee

ETM is thrilled to announce that The 5 Browns, dubbed the “Fab Five” by People Magazine, have joined ETM’s Advisory Committee. The 5 Browns -- Ryan, Melody, Gregory, Deondra and Desirae -- are a group of twenty-somethings who made history as the first set of siblings to study piano simultaneously at Juilliard. The 5 Browns first became involved with ETM last October, when they paid a visit to ETM partner school P.S. 102 in East Harlem for

“Gershwin Day,” after which they expressed interest in becoming further involved with ETM schools as part of their outreach efforts.

“We are so excited to welcome The 5 Browns to the ETM Advisory Committee,” said Katherine Damkohler, Executive Director of ETM. “Not only are they incredibly talented and wonderful people, but their focus on bringing their music to younger generations is in line with ETM’s goals and values.”

## Teaching Artists Learn New Skills During November and January Training Sessions

On school holidays in both November and January, ETM teaching artists attended training sessions where they received reinforcement of previously taught skills and learned new teaching techniques.

In November, training was held on Veteran’s Day at ETM partner school P.S. 155 in East Harlem. Topics covered included preparation for producing effective and fun Winter concerts, how to incorporate Orff methodologies into the classroom, as well as ideas for expressing basic music through movement and simple choreography. In general, the

overarching theme of the training session was to build on the teaching artists’ knowledge of how to teach relevant and engaging lessons.

In January, another training session was held on Martin Luther King Day, this time at St. Brendan School in the Bronx. In tandem with the approximate half-way point of the school year, teaching artists were asked to share successes and challenges that they had faced in the classroom, and received notes from observations conducted by Director of Programs Stephen Herx and Field Supervisors Chris Marolf and Leah Potteiger. Workshops included a presentation by Karen Petty, an Orff music clinician, a workshop for string teachers, and a session focused around arranging music for Orff instruments.

### ETM Associates Steering Committee

Charlie Ballard

Kristin del Rosario

Dottie Duncan

Jeremy Halbridge

Sarah Keh

David Munczinski

Rob Profusek

Daniel Zaccagnino

*The front page was inspired by a bulletin board at ETM partner school Blessed Sacrament. Each ETM partner school has been given a poster with this message.*

## Mount Carmel-Holy Rosary Students Featured on Sirius Radio and in the Daily News

Throughout the spring, some violin students from ETM partner school Mount Carmel-Holy Rosary can be heard on Sirius Radio.

Candice Cook, the political contributor of the Hip Hop Channel on Sirius Satellite Radio, runs segments that are aimed at young people and their concerns during this voting year. One of the big issues being targeted is that of education reform, so Ms. Cook decided to interview students from Mount Carmel and record an Honors Violin class. If you have access to Sirius Radio, you can listen to Ms. Cook on Channel 40 in a segment she describes as being similar to "Rock the Vote."

ETM thanks Teaching Artist Sharon Kim and her Honors Violin students for lending their talents to the radio show.

In November, the Daily News

covered the opening of the school's new "Texas Dance Studio," made possible by a generous benefactor in Texas, Elliott Bottom, who contributed to the Inner-City Scholarship Fund. Mr. Bottom visited the school for the studio's inauguration, and was treated to a performance by student singers, violinists and dancers, including a rendition by the gospel choir of "Yellow Rose of Texas."

The opening of the dance studio is a huge milestone for the East Harlem school, which just four years ago was on the verge of closing due to low enrollment. ETM is proud to be partnering with Mount Carmel-Holy Rosary to provide music instruction to every student, currently including general music, chorus, violin and percussion. The school's dance program is made possible by a partnership with Dancing Classrooms.

## Kenny Rankin and the Marilyn Horne Foundation Provide Wonderful Concerts for Partner School Students

On November 6th, Kenny Rankin, the pop and jazz singer, visited with ETM students at St. Brendan School in the Bronx. In a remarkable recording career that spans three and a half decades, Mr. Rankin has established an impressive set of creative credentials, as an insightful songwriter, a distinctive guitarist and, above all, a world-class singer. He has recorded many memorable and chart-topping albums over the years, including "Silver Morning," "Like a Seed," and "The Kenny Rankin Album."

Mr. Rankin performed several songs for 4th, 5th and 6th graders. He also offered encouragement and support to the students, and even played a duet with Teaching Artist Phil Tambakis and a lucky 4th grade volunteer.

Special thanks to ETM Board Member Karen Karlsrud for introducing Mr. Rankin to ETM, Teaching Artist Phil Tambakis, the faculty and students at St. Brendan, and of course, Mr. Rankin.

The Marilyn Horne Foundation also sponsored several concerts this fall at ETM partner schools St. Brendan, St. Clare, St. Anthony, and P.S. 102. These concerts featured young up-and-coming vocalists who performed mini recitals as part of the Foundation's community outreach program. These concerts were a great success, and will set the stage for similar performances in the spring. Many thanks to the Marilyn Horne Foundation and the vocal performers and pianists for taking the time to put these concerts together and for their many years of collaboration with ETM.

## ETM Featured in the Dana Foundation Newsletter and the *Chronicle of Philanthropy*

In the January edition of Arts Education in the News, the Dana Foundation included an article entitled "Educators Should Embrace Standards for Assessing the Arts." This piece, written by Janet Eilber, details the progress that has been made in measuring levels of learning in the arts and highlights ETM. Ms. Eilber writes that "certain savvy organizations have led the charge [of measuring learning], wrapping their heads around creating tangible tools," and praises ETM in particular for being a "leading arts education organ-

ization" and for rubrics used to track student progress.

Ms. Eilber learned about ETM because the Dana Foundation is a key funder of ETM's training program.

ETM was also featured in the February 2008 edition of the *Chronicle of Philanthropy*, which dedicated a two-page spread to ETM as part of its "Face of Philanthropy" segment, which discussed ETM's mission and achievements and showcased a picture of Teaching Artist Shanna Lesniak-Whitney and her students at P.S. 3 in Brooklyn.

## ETM Partner School Principals Gather for November Meeting

On November 7th, Principals and Assistant Principals from ETM partner schools came together with several ETM staff members to greet our newest partners, announce new developments for the 2007-08 school year, review program goals and expectations, and discuss evaluation strate-

gies and results. In addition, principals had the opportunity for open discussion and sharing of challenges and successes as they manage their schools, partner with ETM, and adjust to changing mandates from their superiors. Additional meetings will be held in the spring and summer.

# Annual Winter Concerts at ETM Partner Schools Showcase Student Talent



*Students from several partner schools demonstrate their musical ability. Clockwise from upper left: St. Brendan, St. Anthony, St. Brendan, P.S. 43, P.S. 155 and St. Athanasius.*

## 2007-08 Annual Fund Supporters

ETM thanks the following donors for their generous contributions and pledges to our annual fund, as of Feb. 20, 2008.

If you wish to join this list, please return the form on page 7, or visit [www.ETMonline.org](http://www.ETMonline.org) to make your donation.

|  |   |   |  |
|--|---|---|--|
| M. Bernard Aidinoff & Elsie V. Aidinoff Fund           | Friedman Billings & Ramsey<br>Rona & Howard Geiser      | <b>Mara Klein &amp; Michael Ming</b><br>Lauren Knott      | Josephine Quartano<br>Anna Z. Rachocki |
| Allstar Electric Corporation                           | Michael E. Gellert Trust                                | Aiman & Lisa Labib  | C. Claiborne Ray                       |
| Rodolpho & Claudia Amboss                              | Martha & Paul Gessner                                   | Benedetta Ladisa  | Murray Reich                           |
| <b>Alice C. Avanian</b>                                | Melanie Girton  | Brian Leung   | Lisa & Chris Reilly                    |
| Josh Baker   | Carla Giugliano   | <b>Charles &amp; Margaret Levin<br/>Family Foundation</b> | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Reitman               |
| <b>Bank of Scotland</b>                                | Glickenhau Foundation                                   | Raphael A. M. Lewis                                       | Jen & John Roach                       |
| Richard & Evelyn Bassuk<br>Foundation                  | <b>Jennifer Michelle Goff</b>                           | Karen Lieberman   | <b>Eileen Robert</b>                   |
| Nick Beilenson   | <b>Gold Place Network LLC</b>                           | Shelly Lieberman  | Kate Russell                           |
| Sherrri Bishop   | <b>Victor J. Goldberg &amp; Patricia A.<br/>Waldeck</b> | Rachel J. Lin   | Susan Ryan                             |
| Bisogni Chiropractic Center                            | Edward & Cynthia Grebow                                 | Christopher Linehan                                       | Meredith Rymer                         |
| John & Emily Blankinship                               | Charlotte Greene  | Lipton Family Foundation                                  | Susan & Elliott Sagor                  |
| Crystal Blee   | <b>Greenlight Capital</b>                               | John LoZito   | Frank Scaturro                         |
| <b>Bon Eau Foundation</b>                              | Robert Grohman  | Dennis P. Lynch   | <b>Michael Schaefer</b>                |
| Ashleigh Boynton                                       | Allan Gropper   | <b>James A. Macdonald Foundation</b>                      | William C. Schmidt                     |
| Laurie & Bill Brennan                                  | Bruce & Marni Gutkin                                    | The MacDougal Family<br>Foundation                        | Christopher Schroeder                  |
| Linda Brenner  | Carmela & Paul Haklisch                                 | <b>Andrew J. Malik</b>                                    | <b>Edmund &amp; Elaine Schroeder</b>   |
| Christine Brooks                                       | James Halston   | <b>Liz Smith Malik</b>                                    | Lori Schwartz                          |
| Jeremy Broughton                                       | Mr. & Mrs. Donald E. Handelman                          | Anita & Michael Malina                                    | Seevers Family Foundation              |
| Joseph & Linda Bruzzese                                | Joseph W. Handelman                                     | The Malkin Fund   | Jerome Seidman                         |
| Diane Bustamante                                       | <b>Walter J. Handelman</b>                              | <b>John &amp; Susanne Manley</b>                          | Julie Seyler                           |
| John Buzbee  | William R. Handelman                                    | Mr. & Mrs. David Marcus                                   | Robert Shaw & Sara Cutler              |
| Fred Cabral  | <b>Felda &amp; Dena Hardymon</b>                        | Joan Mark   | Howard Shawn                           |
| Shannon Cain   | Dr. & Mrs. Alan Harris                                  | Terrence Martell  | Theodore & Mary Jo Shen                |
| Janet & John Canning                                   | Michael Harwayne  | Joanne & Norman Matthews                                  | Chris & Margaret Shipman               |
| Patricia & John Carey                                  | Michael Hehir & Denise Aronzon                          | <b>Eldon C. &amp; Betts Mayer</b>                         | Nicki Silvanic                         |
| Joanne & Tim Case                                      | Gordon D. Henderson                                     | Joseph J. & Barbara McCourt                               | Sarah Sinha & Jonas Paterno            |
| Ivan Castro  | Sharon Herzer   | Tracey McFarland  | Sivin Tobin Associates                 |
| Andrew Clements  | Christopher Holland                                     | William L. McKernan                                       | Walter & Marie Smith                   |
| Come Together, Corp.                                   | Cynthia Hudson  | Gayle & Andy Meyer  | Reggie Sparks                          |
| Andy & Kathy Constan                                   | Travis Huggett  | Sebastian Milardo   | Rebecca Springer                       |
| Michael J. Cosgrove                                    | Mr. & Mrs. Sang-Yul Hyun                                | Brendan J. Miller   | Stephen & Elaine Stamas                |
| Margaret Crotty  | Michele Iannello  | Stephanie P. & William Miller                             | <b>Emily H. Susskind</b>               |
| Michelle DeBlasi                                       | Craig & Caroline Iannucci                               | Robin & David Mitchell                                    | Marilyn Susskind                       |
| Jonathan & Emme Deland                                 | Justin Israel   | Stephen Moeller   | Rita Sweeney                           |
| Steve & Irene Denebeim                                 | Gretchen & John Jackson                                 | Marilyn Monter  | Francis C. Taylor                      |
| Deborah Dimasi   | Beth Jacob & James Fogel                                | <b>Mostyn Foundation</b>                                  | <b>Stephen G. Thieke</b>               |
| Bob Drach & Nina Hsiao                                 | <b>Dr. &amp; Mrs. Julius H. Jacobson II</b>             | Mario Murialdo  | Corky & Greg Thompson                  |
| Daniel A. Driscoll                                     | <b>Jockey Hollow Foundation</b>                         | Kelly Murphy  | Lorraine Truitt                        |
| James & Deborah Duffy                                  | Boine Johnson   | Michael Nachman & Ruth<br>Horowitz                        | United Way                             |
| Jessica Eddins   | Loren & Karee Jones                                     | Newman-Tanner Foundation                                  | Chauncey Upson                         |
| <b>Katherine D. Elliott &amp; Richard<br/>Abramson</b> | Mary Kanan  | Jessica Niebanck  | Diadato Villamena                      |
| Carolyn Ellison  | <b>Seung-Hee &amp; Paul Kang</b>                        | <b>Nancy Northern</b>                                     | Vitale AML Consultants, Inc.           |
| Sheldon H. Elsen                                       | <b>Karen Karlsrud</b>                                   | <b>Dennis &amp; Carol Oakley</b>                          | Wachovia Foundation                    |
| Beverly Emerson  | Ethelle Katz  | <b>Debra &amp; Charles Ocheret</b>                        | Thomas Wackman                         |
| Judy & Tony Evnin                                      | Henry & Elaine Kaufman<br>Foundation                    | Dan O'Donnell   | Rebecca Waite                          |
| <b>Andrew &amp; Sandi Farkas</b>                       | Robin & Howard Kaufman                                  | Thomas Perrotta   | Eric Wall                              |
| Judith Feldman   | Sarah Keh   | Petrucci Family Foundation                                | Phillip & Jane Waterman                |
| Nina Feldman   | Dennis P. & Carol A. Kelleher<br>Foundation             | Carl & Betty Pforzheimer                                  | Andrea & William Watson-Canning        |
| <b>Bryce Ferguson</b>                                  | John J. Kelly   | Carol K. Pforzheimer                                      | Mr. & Mrs. Alan G. Weiler              |
| Chris Fiore  | Stephen Keyes   | Gayle Pitman  | Laura Weinberg                         |
| <b>Desmond G. FitzGerald</b>                           | Eileen Killeen  | Katharine Plummer   | <b>Robert Weisstuch</b>                |
| Barbara Fogel  | Jennifer Killeen  | Jane Polin  | Mr. & Mrs. F. Helmut Weymar            |
| Alyson Footer  | Kristin Killmer   | Donald Porcaro & Leslie Wayne<br>Purchase Fund            | Marta Wahrle                           |
| <b>Daria &amp; William Foster</b>                      | Eva Klein   |   | Marianna & Jonathan Yellen             |
| Jennifer Fowler  |   |   | Boniface & Alison Zaino                |
|  |   |   | Anonymous (4)                          |

*Bolded names indicate donors who have contributed or pledged \$1,500 or more. This list does not include event-related gifts.*

## Foundation, Corporate & Government Supporters: 2006-07 and 2007-08

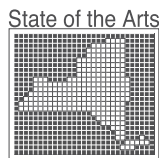
Achelis Foundation  
 Alliance Bernstein  
 Assurant Foundation  
 Bangs Russell Foundation  
 Bank of Scotland  
 Bettina Baruch Foundation  
 Bon Eau Foundation  
 The Louis R. Cappelli Foundation  
 Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust  
 Con Edison Corporate Giving Program  
 The Dana Foundation  
 The Dickler Family Foundation  
 Jean and Louis Dreyfus Foundation  
 Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation  
 Samuel and Rae Eckman Charitable Foundation  
 Educational Foundation of America  
 Edward A. Fogel Foundation  
 Futures and Options for Kids  
 Gilder Foundation  
 Greenlight Capital  
 Jockey Hollow Foundation  
 Hearst Foundation  
 Heckscher Foundation for Children  
 Horne Family Foundation  
 The Emily Davie and Joseph S. Kornfeld Foundation  
 The Krumholz Foundation

The Lehman Brothers Foundation  
 Charles and Margaret Levin Family Foundation  
 James A. Macdonald Foundation  
 The McGraw-Hill Companies  
 Mertz-Gilmore Foundation  
 Moody's Foundation  
 Mostyn Foundation  
 Murray L. and Belle C. Nathan Fund  
 National Endowment for the Arts  
 New York City Department of Cultural Affairs  
 The New York Community Trust  
 New York Mercantile Exchange Charitable Foundation  
 New York State Council on the Arts  
 The New York State Music Fund  
 The New York Times Company Foundation  
 Pfizer Foundation  
 Carl and Lily Pforzheimer Foundation  
 RBC Dain Rauscher  
 The David Rockefeller Fund  
 May and Samuel Rudin Family Foundation  
 Safeway Construction Enterprises  
 William E. Simon Foundation  
 Ernst C. Stiefel Foundation  
 Taproot Foundation  
 Michael Tuch Foundation  
 U.S. Department of Education



NATIONAL  
 ENDOWMENT  
 FOR THE ARTS

A great nation  
 deserves great art.



NYSCA



*ETM's programs are made possible in part by: an award from the National Endowment for the Arts; public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency; and public funds from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs.*

**To contribute to ETM:  
 Please complete the following form, donate online at [www.ETMonline.org](http://www.ETMonline.org), or contact the office.**

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please accept my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My check to Education Through Music is enclosed.

Please charge my:  
 \_\_\_ American Express  
 \_\_\_ Mastercard  
 \_\_\_ Visa

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I want my gift to be anonymous.

Call ETM (212-972-4788) for information on donating securities.

Remember to check if your company will match your gift.

Please mail or fax completed form to:  
 122 East 42nd Street, Suite 1501  
 New York, NY 10168  
 Fax: 212.972.4864

*Education Through Music*



122 East 42nd Street, Suite 1501  
New York, NY 10168  
Tel: 212-972-4788  
Fax: 212-972-4864  
www.ETMonline.org

First Class  
Presort  
US Postage  
PAID  
New York, NY  
Permit #2377

Save the Date for These Upcoming ETM Events!

May 9, 2008

**Pelham Country Club, Pelham, NY**

**Join us in honoring ETM's Co-Founder and Chairman  
Ed Schroeder as he "steps up" from the ETM Board**

May 15, 2008

**The Canal Room, NYC**

**ETM and alldaybuffet present:  
"School of Rock: Battle of the Bands"**

*All proceeds from these events will benefit ETM's music programming in our NYC partner schools.  
For more information contact Emily at [eestock@ETMonline.org](mailto:eestock@ETMonline.org) or call (212) 972 4788*