“The aim and final end of all music should be none other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul.”

J. S. Bach

I am so excited that you have made the decision to join with us as we enrich our community and the lives of people of all ages through instruction and experience in music. As a lifelong musician, I understand firsthand the benefits of musical training and I am honored to have the opportunity to facilitate these experiences for others.

Through participation in the Community Music Center, students will not only have aesthetically rewarding experiences, but also will realize academic benefits and build meaningful relationships. In addition, students will be connected to the strong reputation of musical excellence that belongs to the Department of Music and Union University. And, most importantly, students will be inspired to develop their talents and gifts to glorify God, the One Who created music and Who gives us the joy of its discovery.

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THE MISSION

of the Community Music Center at Union University is to enrich our community and the lives of people of all ages through instruction and experience in music.

Our goal is to foster a lifelong appreciation of and involvement in the musical arts and to serve as a resource for the musical needs of the people of Jackson and West Tennessee.

THE COMMUNITY MUSIC CENTER

offers programs for children of all ages as well as adults. All programs are specifically designed to meet the needs and skills of specific age and interest groups.

Excellence-driven | Christ-centered | People-focused | Future-directed

A project of Union University’s Department of Music in cooperation with The Jackson Symphony
**Kindermusik® Program**  
(birth to seven years)

The Kindermusik® program is a child-centered music and movement class for parent and child to enjoy together. Children will learn to express feelings and thoughts as well as develop self-esteem through successful participation.

*Here are some of the developmental skills that this program offers.*

- Purposeful musical activities foster language development, symbolic thinking and social interaction
- Movement experiences lead to the development of both fine and gross motor skills
- Sensory-motor exploration is the pathway to learning for the child
- Aural training develops focused listening discrimination
- Solid foundation built for future vocal or instrumental instruction

*Classes are divided among the following age appropriate curriculums.*

- Kindermusik® Village—Newborn through 18 months
- Kindermusik® Our Time—18 months to 36 months
- Kindermusik® Imagine That—3 through 4 years
- Kindermusik® for the Young Child—5 through 7 years
- New addition! Kindermusik® Family Time (10 wks.)—for the whole family

**Private Lessons**  
(child to adult)

The Union University Community Music Center offers lessons and classes appropriate for any age or skill level. Each student will work with the private instructor to develop a course of study most appropriate for interests and ability. **Private lessons** are available in voice, piano, guitar and flute. Other instruments may also be offered upon request.

**Group Instruction**  
(grades 2 to 6)

We are offering Group Piano 1 and Group Piano 2 classes as well as a Group Guitar class.

**String Instruction**

The Community Music Center works in cooperation with the Jackson Symphony. If you are interested in **string instruction** for your child, please call Lynn White, the Education Coordinator with the Jackson Symphony, at 427-6440.

**Children's Chorus**  
(grades 1 to 6)

The Union University Children's Chorus provides an opportunity for children to participate in a variety of musical experiences including singing, playing instruments, creative activities, and music reading. Participation in this program will enhance the child's self-discipline, self-esteem and performance skills. Following registration, members of the chorus and their parents will meet with the director of the chorus. At this time it will be determined whether the chorister will be placed in the Preparatory Chorus which meets on Mondays from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. or the Union University's Children's Chorus which meets on Tuesdays from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. Demonstrations and concerts are scheduled at the end of each semester for parents and members of the community. For further information call Dr. Betty Bedsole at 661-5226.