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Clockwise from right corner: LaSaundra Lindsey, Brian Gilman, Rock Crawford, and Hollis Brown with students

The Church of the Good Shepherd to House CMS Lessons Program

In September, Community Music School students will be in a new home. The Church of the Good Shepherd will open the doors of their new Parish Life Center to PLAY (Private Lessons for At-Risk Youth). Beginning on September 16, PLAY will teach 200 private lessons on Friday afternoons and Saturdays to the students of Community Music School. This is an increase of 75 lessons and the largest expansion the school has seen. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to the members of the Church of the Good Shepherd for welcoming CMS!

Grant Funding Helps Support Growth of CMS

Community Music School is preparing for unprecedented growth in 2005-06. Since 1999, the school has operated at a capacity of approximately 100-125 students. This year, the lessons programs will expand to accommodate 200 students.

Additional lessons will be funded in part by the City of Raleigh Arts Commission, United Arts Council of Wake County, the North Carolina Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and individuals' continued and increased support of Community Music School.



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This project is supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art.

Jennifar Gomes



Jennifar Gomes,
Class of 2005

Jennifar Gomes has been a student at Community Music School since 1999. Starting her studies in violin, Jennifar was a member of the CMS String Ensemble for several years. In 2003, she decided to switch her focus to piano and began studying with Tonya Kirk.

A graduate of Cardinal Gibbons High School, Jennifar was an active participant in student life and excelled in her academic studies. Jennifar participated in

student council as president of her sophomore class. She was also a member of the National Honor Society, a hand-chosen group of students whose GPA and reputations with their teachers earn them a place in this prestigious group. She helped other students at her school as a member of the Peer Ministry group. Jennifar was also the sports section editor for the yearbook and manager for the Frisbee team.

A natural leader, Jennifar started an organization called the YBCA, or Youth Bengali Christian Association. By performing in song and dance at Bengali functions, they raise money for different organizations that help the poor.

Jennifar was offered scholarships from Peace College, Meredith College, and Randolph Macon College and will be attending North Carolina State University in the fall.

*Congratulations
to the
Community
Music School
Class of 2005!*

Lassiter Speller

Lassiter Speller was the piano student of Nina Desai while attending Community Music School for 5 years. As an early graduate of Millbrook High School, Lassiter was on the National Honor Roll, the Millbrook High School Honor Roll, and was awarded Who's Who Among American High School Students. He was also involved with the National Achiever's

Society and graduated with a 3.9 GPA. Active in the community as well, Lassiter was awarded the City of Raleigh Certificate of Life Skills and Development Training.

Lassiter will be attending Winston-Salem State University on a Chancellor's Scholarship in the fall. He will be pursuing a degree in music business and management.



Lassiter Speller,
Class of 2005

Monique Watson



Monique
Watson,
Class of
2005

Monique Watson will be attending Johnson C. Smith University in the fall. She will be majoring in pre-med with a minor in music. As a graduate of Southeast Raleigh High School, Monique was active in both aca-

demical clubs and music. She participated in Project Soar, was a member of the Medical and Biotechnology Club, and the Marching Band. Monique won 2nd and 3rd place in gardening at the North Carolina State Fair and placed 5th in Medical Terminology at the Regional HOSA

Competition, allowing her to advance to the state levels.

While at Community Music School, Monique studied clarinet and saxophone with Brian Gilman. She hopes to continue with music in her life by teaching children to play instruments.

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CMS Hires Program Director

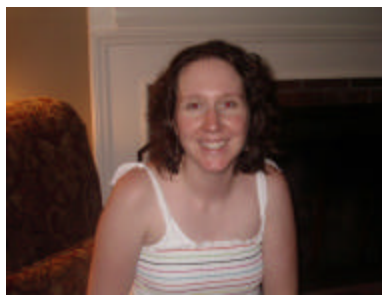
Community Music School is pleased to announce the hiring of **Tonya Kirk** as the new Program Director. This new position is being supported by grants from the City of Raleigh Arts Commission and United Arts Council of Wake County.

Kirk is a familiar face at CMS. She has been teaching piano in the PLAY program for 4 years. She was also instrumental in starting the special needs program, Music Divine, in 2004. An enthusiastic advocate for music education, Kirk will be responsible for running PLAY and its sibling programs, Independent Studies and Music Divine.

Kirk holds a Master of Music in piano performance from Mississippi College

and is a Nationally Certified Teacher of Music through the Music Teachers National Association. In addition to her position as Program Director, Kirk teaches private piano lessons.

On the Board of Directors for the North Carolina Music Teachers Association, Kirk serves as the



Tonya Morgan Kirk, Program Director

Outreach Chairman. She is also a member of the Raleigh Piano Teachers Association where she just completed two years on the board as a Co-Chairman for the Young Artist Auditions.

Kirk is married to David Kirk, a pulmonary and critical care fellow at UNC Hospitals. They live in Durham with their three-year-old daughter, Anna.

Please contact Tonya if:

- You have an instrument to donate
- You have music books to donate
- You can volunteer to help with a recital
- You can provide occasional transportation for a child