

HOLY FAMILY CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

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Please welcome our new violin instructor, Dr. Blakeley Menghini!

Recognized as a "naturally gifted musician," violist Dr. Menghini is gaining attention for her artistry as a chamber musician, orchestral player, recording artist and pedagogue.

A dedicated music educator, she maintains a private studio and has served as adjunct professor of viola and violin at Beloit College and adjunct professor of violin and viola at Greenville University.

Winner of the Edda Valborg Ofstie Memorial Music Award, Menghini is a 2018 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Mead Witter School of Music where she received her Doctorate in Musical Arts and studied viola with Sally Chisholm. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Greenville University where she studied with Victoria Voumard, and a Masters of Music and Performer's Certificate from Northern Illinois University, studying with Tony Devroye.

Dr. Menghini has performed in master classes with Alban Gerhardt, Nobuko Imai, Laurie Smukler, the St. Lawrence and Arianna Quartets.

Media appearances include WORT Radio, WBDK Radio, and Green Bay's CBS Local 5 TV.

When not performing, Menghini enjoys creating amateur art and design.

Meet our new cello instructor, Andrew Piehl! Please read his introduction

I was born and raised in the sturgeon-spawning, sun-drop bottling, lake going center of the world, known as Shawano, WI. I studied music at UW-Eau Claire where I received my Bachelor of Arts Degree with my primary instrument being cello. I then went on to get my Post-Graduate Teacher Certification from UW-Green Bay. This is my fifth year teaching elementary music and my first year teaching in Manitowoc. In terms of performing, I've played with a few different orchestras, including recently joining the Manitowoc Symphony, as well as a couple gigs with a Bluegrass Band. I like to write, play, and create music in my free time. I also enjoy playing pick-up games of basketball and finding a disc golf course to chuck some discs. I'm excited to join the faculty at Holy Family Conservatory and look forward to sharing my love of music with my students. I can't wait to help them grow, see their progress, and be a part of their musical journey.



Thank you, West Foundation!

We would like to thank Ruth, John, and John Dunham West Foundation for significant support for the Concert Series 2022-2023 at Franciscan Music Center! It will allow us to continue to bring great musicians to the Franciscan Music Center and provide the Lake Shore community with high quality concerts.



Thank you!

Concert Series at Franciscan Music Center Season of 2022-2023

2:00 PM, October 8th, 2022, Mr. Chair: Jazz, electronic, world music, and beyond

2:00 PM, December 3rd, 2022, Sounds of Christmas: The Chicago Big Band

2:00 PM, March 11th, 2023, Julia Rottmayer and Friends: art songs and repertoire from operas and musical theatre

2:00 PM, April 30th, 2023, Varshavski-Shapiro Piano Duo



Featuring jazz, electronic, rock, world music, and beyond with

Mr. Chair

2:00 PM Saturday October 8, 2022

Franciscan
Music Center
6751 Calumet Ave.
Manitowoc

General Admission: \$20 Adults \$15 Students \$13 Seniors







Mark your calendar!

- October 8th at 2:00 Concert Series: Mr. Chair Band with a brilliant trombone player, Mark Hetzler from Madison https://mrchairmusic.com/video
- October 30th at 2:00 All Studio Conservatory Recital
- November 20th at 2:00 − Handbell Concert
- December 3rd at 2:00 Concert Series, Sounds of Christmas: The Chicago Jazz Big Band
- December 4th at 2:00, Varshavski Piano Studio Recital
- December 11th at 1:00, 3:00 All Studio Conservatory Recitals; JUST TWO.



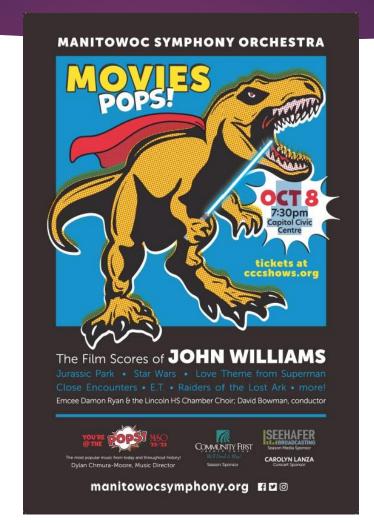






- ▶ Your favorite song is probably your favorite because you associate it with an emotional event in your life. Both social influences and quality affect which songs you like. You don't like the original version of a song because it's better, you like it because it's the one you heard first. Whether a musician makes eye contact during a concert and what they wear affects whether you like their music.
- ▶ There's a lot of evidence that playing music can make you smarter. Listening to classical music might increase that IQ as well. (And smarter people like classical music.) Music can literally affect the way you see the world and lyrics can influence your behavior.
- ▶ Bar owners get you to drink more by turning the music up. Love songs and romantic music make you spend more in flower shops. Classical, jazz and popular music make you spend more in restaurants.

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