



Emirates Community Symphonic Orchestra plays Mozart.
(Tickets available on our website)

Friday 21 October 2016 - 7.30pm

Thursday Night Classics

Thursday 27 October 2016 - 5pm

Family Fright Night! Tricks & Treats

Big Band Workshop

Friday 28 October 2016 10am - 5pm

(See article for more info!)

Thursday Night Classics
Lola Akwabi Piano Recital

Thursday 3 November 2016 - 7.30pm

Thursday Night Classics
Classics Go Pop!

Thursday 17 November 2016 - 7.30pm

Winter Wonderland

Friday 9 December 2016 - 6pm

CMA Students

Dubai City Sounds

Saturday 10 December 2016 - 3pm

Christmas Concert

Dubai Wind Band Christmas Concert

Tuesday 13 December 2016 - 7pm

Tickets are available via our website for Thursday Night Classics.
Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date on our events & News!



Tala Badri
Executive Director &
Owner of CMA

It has been a while since we put together a newsletter here at CMA and we thought this would be a wonderful occasion to reintroduce it on a termly basis to our students, parents and friends!

This year we celebrate a very significant milestone: Our 10th Anniversary. It is amazing to think that we began 10 years ago on 14 September 2006 in our humble 5 studio set up with the arts centre at the Mall of the Emirates and today we fill two state of the art spaces comprising 22 teaching studios, performance centre, rehearsal rooms, bookshop and cafe. We have been grateful to have had so many of our colleagues as well as students follow us on this journey and we look forward with excitement to our next chapter!



Ensembles & Theory News



We run a number of ensembles here at CMA, with the aim of giving students the opportunity to play with others and experience the reward and enjoyment that comes from being part of a group. Playing with an ensemble gives exposure to new repertoire and sounds, develops musicianship and technique, gives regular performance opportunities and fosters the feeling that students are part of a wider community of musicians. Our current ensembles include Senior Winds, Wind Ensemble, Senior Strings, String Ensemble, Guitar Consort, Guitar Ensemble, The Jukebox Sessions and Vocal Ensemble.



These groups cover a wide range of instruments and Grade 1 to Advanced levels, each rehearsing weekly with at least one performance per term. For full details of scheduling and the levels for each group please see check the website. If you are interested in joining one of our ensembles in January, contact us.

Studying Music Theory is important aspect of learning an instrument. After all, understanding the grammar as well as reading and writing is an essential part of learning a new language, and the same is true for music. When learning a piece of music, being able to understand and interpret the ideas on the page will aid the process and lead to a more confident performance. We offer Theory Classes at all levels split by Grade with the option of classes either on Saturday or midweek. Students wishing to join a Theory Class at CMA are asked to complete a short assessment first, to ensure that they are placed in the correct class. For the full schedule please see check our website. If you would like to join our programme of Theory Classes next term please email theory@cmadubai.com.

10th Anniversary Celebrations



Young Musician Competition

We are delighted to launch the first annual CMA Young Musician Competition, taking place in January. The competition is a celebration of the talent and commitment displayed by all our students here at CMA, and is open to those of an ABRSM Grade 1 to Grade 8 standard (or equivalent). Students will have the chance to gain some performance experience, receive feedback from a team of experienced adjudicators, and share their talents with their peers.

There are many benefits to taking part in music competitions, and it's not always about winning. Many students use competitions as a sounding ground for new material, trying out new performance techniques and practicing newer repertoire in advance of other performance engagements, such as a music exam or a concert.

This idea of setting performance goals is important in many ways. First, it gives learning a focus, which in turn improves the structure and effectiveness of the daily practice routine. It's important for students to set a variety of different goals throughout the year, to give purpose to the learning journey. Secondly, keeping regular performance commitments helps young musicians learn how to cope with nerves and stage fright. Performance is an integral skill for all musicians; whether performing to an audience of thousands or the family pet, we must all learn how to convey ourselves, and the music, clearly and expressively on stage. Many musicians, particularly younger players, battle with nerves. But performance anxiety can get easier the more we place ourselves in that situation. At CMA we believe that the sooner young players start to practice their performance skills the better, which is why the competition begins at an ABRSM Grade 1 standard.

Information about our competition, including rules, regulations, profiles of our team of independent adjudicators and FAQ's, will be updated regularly on our website. To enter, please pick up an entry brochure from your teacher or download a copy from the website. This should be completed and returned to CMA by Thursday 24th November 2016. Good Luck!



Thursday Night Classics



CMA THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSICS PRESENTS

FAMILY FRIGHT NIGHT

A CMA THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSICS FAMILY CONCERT

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF HALLOWEEN THEMED MUSIC PERFORMED BY CMA INSTRUMENTAL SPECIALISTS AND GUESTS. COME ALONG IN COSTUME OR FANCY DRESS AND ENJOY THE MUSICAL TRICKS AND TREATS!

Thursday 27th October 5:00pm

Centre for Musical Arts Performance Centre
Gold and Diamond Park

Tickets: Dhs 50 available online at www.cmadubai.com/en/tnc
Tickets also available through the reception at Centre for Musical Arts



For more information call 04 341 8872
e-mail: thursdaynightclassics@cmadubai.com
or visit our website: www.cmadubai.com/en/tnc

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CMADubai>

Blog: <https://cmadubai.wordpress.com/about/>

Workshops News

In October, some of our most advanced young musicians are joining forces to participate in our **Big Band Workshop**. A selection of brass, woodwind, piano, guitar and drum students will spend a full day learning about how a jazz ensemble works and rehearsing music in a variety of different styles, before performing to friends and family at the end of the day. The workshops programme at CMA aims to provide a diverse and interesting selection of events which gives our students the opportunity to experience the joys and benefits of making music as part of a group; improving aural, technical and sight reading skills, and enjoying the many personal and social benefits that group music making provides. The Big Band workshop is the first of many exciting events in the pipeline for the year ahead. Check out the calendar and keep an eye on our social media and website for more details of events for your instrument and your level.



ABRSM Support Workshops

CMA is an official examination centre for the ABRSM. Music exams take place at our centre twice a year and in the run up to each exam session we offer a variety of workshops to support the exam syllabus.

This month we are running a course of aural revision sessions for Grades 5 and 6, and a scales workshop for the early grade strings candidates. On top of this, there are a variety of apps that you can download to use at home for some extra exam support, visit www.abrsm.org for more.

Thursday 27th October: Improve Your Scales!
For string players ABRSM Grade 1 and 2 level.
4.00 – 4.45pm

Friday 11th November: Miyazawa Flute event
Demos, sales, repairs and performances from Miyazawa reps.
3.00 – 7.30pm

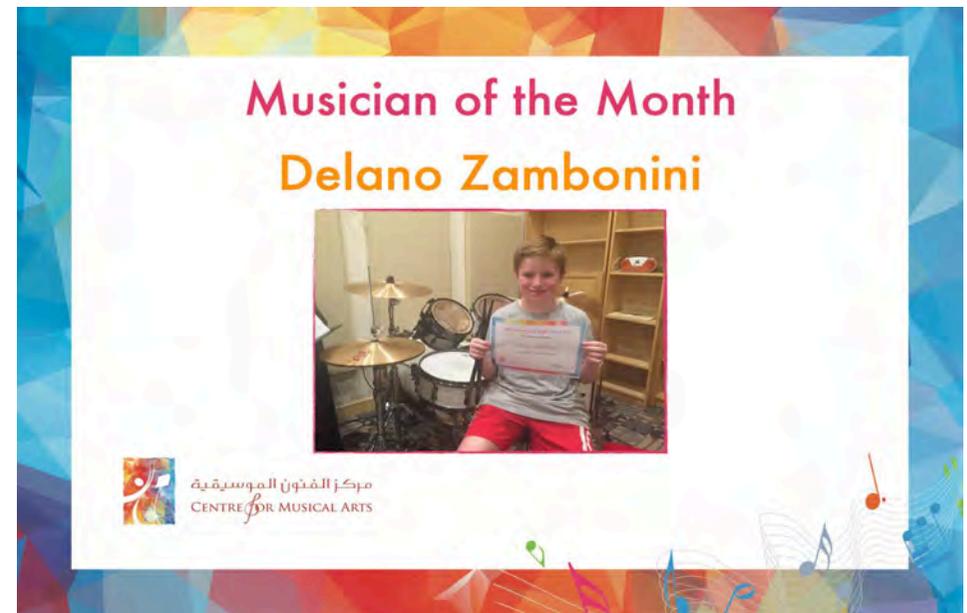
Friday 25th November: Funky Fingers
For pianists beginner to Grade 5 level
10.00am – 1.00pm OR 1.00pm – 5.00pm

Notices

Relax in the Take 5 Cafe in Building 7.
Open Sat 10am - 7.30pm / Sun-Wed
9am-7.30pm / Thu 9am - 12.30pm



Congratulations! The Musician of the Month (October) goes to Delano Zambonini (Drums) for hardwork and commitment towards a regular practice routine. Well Done, Delano!



**** Remember that Term 1 ends on 15 December 2016 and Term 2 fees are due by this date****
Term 2 commences on 2 January 2017



Have you visited our Book and Music accessory shop in Building 7 yet? For all your music needs from books to reeds! Pop and see! Open daily from 9am - 7pm (Closed Friday)