



2019-20 FAME FW PHIL FW BALLET COMPOSITION PROJECT

August 29, 2019

Dear Fabulous Fourth Grader,

CONGRATULATIONS! YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED BY YOUR MUSIC TEACHER TO PARTICIPATE IN A FABULOUS, ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE IN MUSIC COMPOSITION IN THE 2019-20 FAME COMPOSITION PROJECT!

As one of several FAMEous Fourth Grade student composers, you will meet for project sessions during Oct. 21-24, 2019, from 4:00-6:00 P.M., at Haley Elementary School, in Fort Wayne, with FAME Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, renowned composer and friend of FAME, along with Wendy Bloom, Project Coordinator, and Lauren Ettensohn, Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company Director, to help create an original orchestral composition which will be performed by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Youth Symphony and Concert Orchestras and the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company at the *Celebration of Youth Concert* on Sunday, Mar. 15, 2020, at 3:00 P.M., (location TBD).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

On Mon., Oct. 21, during an orientation session you will meet with Mr. Crowe to learn about how a composer creates a musical composition and with Wendy Bloom, Project Coordinator to review the project portfolio and learn about composing music using [Noteflight](#), an online music notation application.

On Mon. through Thurs., Oct. 21-24, you will meet with Mr. Crowe, for composition and “composium” sessions. You will compose, perform, and notate your very own *musical signature composition* and creatively collaborate with Mr. Crowe about how your musical ideas will be orchestrated into a project composition inspired by themes from FAME’s 2019-20 cultural focus, *South and Central America*.

During the “composium” session on Thurs., Oct 24, Lauren Ettensohn, Director of the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company will lead you in a creative dance session to communicate with you about how your musical ideas for the composition will impact and inspire dance movements that the Ballet Youth Company students will create and perform for the project. Mr. Crowe will score the project composition for symphonic orchestra.

On Sat, Feb. 29, at 1:00-2:00 P.M., at the Fort Wayne Ballet Studio, you and your parents will attend a creative dance collaboration session with Ms. Ettensohn and the Ballet Youth Company dancers for a pre-premiere presentation to view and interpret the creative dance ideas for the project composition.

On Sat., Mar. 14, at 10:00-11:00 A.M., you and your parents will attend the project's final "composium" session with Mr. Crowe to analyze your musical ideas in the project composition.

The project will culminate with a rehearsal at 1:00 P.M., and the composition's premiere performance on Sun., Mar. 15, at 3:00 P.M. by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic and the Youth Symphony and Concert Orchestras, the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company, during the FAME *Celebration of Youth Concert*, (location TBD).

You will access a project portfolio to complete various reflection assignments to help stimulate creative input and facilitate feedback for assessment during the music composition, rehearsal, and performance process. Your music teacher will review, monitor, and assist you in your completion of your project portfolio assignments, as well as with your musical signature composition. Be sure to share the entire project portfolio with your music teacher.

Embedded in the FAME Composition Project are educational objectives for you to:

- deepen your understanding and skills in the creative and evaluative processes of music, dance, art, and storytelling
- deepen your understanding of the cultural connections of music, art, dance, and storytelling
- deepen your understanding of career opportunities in the arts

PROJECT DETAILS:

As a FAMEous Student Composer, you need to attend all five scheduled composition and "composium" sessions, the creative dance session, and the orchestra rehearsal and performance.

If you cannot attend a project session at the last minute, please contact the project coordinator by phone at: (260) 414-2603 (cell phone), or via E-mail at: Wendy.Bloom@fwcs.k12.in.us.

Your parents are responsible to transport you to and from the project sessions. Parents, please be prompt in both dropping off and picking up your child if you do not plan to stay for the duration of each session.

You and your parents will be special guests at the composition's premiere performance at the FAME *Celebration of Youth Concert* where you will be formally recognized for your participation in the project. You and your parents will be seated in a designated area at the front of the audience.

Prior to the performance, you will receive a 2019-20 FAME Composition Project certificate, your originally submitted musical signature composition and CD, and a portion of the project composition's score and orchestration CD. Be sure to invite your music teacher and school principal to be your special guests at the FAME *Celebration of Youth Concert*.

REMINDER:

[The registration deadline is Friday, October 4, 2019.](#)

Registrations will be prioritized by the postmarked or online registration date. Following the registration deadline, registrations will be accepted on a limited basis. Please complete the attached registration form and mail or FAX the completed registration form to:

FAME
 300 East Main Street
 Fort Wayne, IN 46802
 Phone (260) 247-7325 Fax (260) 247-7324 info@famearts.org

To access the registration form or to register online, go to: <https://famearts.org/composition-project>. You can access additional Composition Project information there as well. You and your music teacher will receive a registration confirmation/reminder E-mail prior to the first composition session date.

As always, parents are invited to attend (and help with!) any of the project sessions, rehearsals, and the premiere performance.

If you have any questions or comments about the Composition Project, please contact Wendy Bloom at: Wendy.Bloom@fwcs.k12.in.us or at: (260) 414-2603 (cell phone), or the FAME Office at: info@famearts.org, or at: (260) 247-7325 (FAME office phone).

Once again, **congratulations!** You are in for a very exciting, once in a lifetime experience in music composition!

Sincerely,

Wendy Bloom,
 Composition Project Coordinator

2019-20 FAME COMPOSITION PROJECT DATES:

- Mon., Oct. 21, 4:00-6:00 P.M. Orientation and Composition session with Wendy Bloom, Project Coordinator, and Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, Haley Elementary School
- Tues., Oct. 22, 4:00-6:00 P.M. *Composition* and "*Composium*" session with Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, Haley Elementary School
- Wed., Oct. 23, 4:00-6:00 P.M. *Composition* and "*Composium*" session with Composer-In-Residence, David Crowe, Haley Elementary School
- Thurs., Oct. 24, 4:00-6:00 P.M. "*Composium*" session with Mr. Crowe and *Creative Dance* session with Ms. Ettensohn, Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company Director (5:30-6:00 P.M.), Haley Elementary School
- Sat., February 29, 1:00-2:00 P.M. FAMEous Composers *Creative Dance* collaboration session with Ms. Ettensohn and the Fort Wayne Ballet Youth Company dancers at the Fort Wayne Ballet studio
- Sat., March 14, 10:00-11:00 A.M. Final "*Composium*" session, (location TBD)
- Sun., March 15, 1:00 P.M. Orchestra rehearsal (location TBD)

Sun., March 15, 3:00 P.M.

Premiere Performance at the FAME Celebration of Youth Concert,
(location TBD)

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Haley Elementary School - 2201 Maplecrest Road., Fort Wayne one block south of E. State Street., just west of Georgetown Square Shopping Center. Turn right off Maplecrest Rd. into the school parking lot. Entrance to the school - use Door #1.

Fort Wayne Ballet Studio - 300 E. Main St., Fort Wayne.

Grand Wayne Center and/or The Embassy - Parking is available in the Civic Parking Garage across from the Hilton in downtown, Fort Wayne (fee charged via credit card machine) or in several lots nearby.

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FAMOUS Student Composer Registration Form
Registration Deadline: Friday, October 4, 2019

Return this form to:

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Phone 260-247-7325 Fax 260-247-7324
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Date: ___/___/_____

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Parent E-Mail: _____

School: _____

School District: _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Teacher Name: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Teacher E-Mail: _____

Parent Signature: _____

My signature indicates permission for my child to participate in the 2019-20 FAME FW Philharmonic FW Ballet Composition Project. In addition, I give permission for FAME to use my child's image and/or creative work for informational or promotional purposes.