



Upcoming Events

October 4, 7:00	Outdoor Concert, Meditation Garden
November 3, 6:00	Lower School Band, Strings and Chorus Concert, South Hall
November 10	Second Grade play, South Hall
November 12, 7:00	3rd Annual Evening of the Arts, South Hall
November 17-18, 7:30	Fall Theatre Production, H119

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2nd Annual Outdoor Concert - October 4

The Arts department at Pisgah is hosting its 2nd Annual Outdoor Concert on October 4. This year the Pisgah Arts Parent Association is pleased to offer boxed dinners from HoneyBaked Ham, which will soon be available for pre-order at the Pisgah Arts section of the school website. Come enjoy a “Chastain-like” evening on the lawn in the Meditation Garden. More details coming soon!

Honors and Awards

Student Government Arts Commissioner

Alison Tanzy has been appointed to the new post of Arts Commissioner by the Student Government. She will be responsible for maintaining contact with the various outlets of the fine arts department and relaying their plans to the student government and fellow students; presenting Arts announcements during morning announcements and on Facebook; and leading any committee with the student affairs commissioner for posters and other spirit-related media. Congratulations Alison!

Welcome to our new Arts Teachers

Welcome to **Grace Parsons**, the new Orchestra Director for Pisgah, who is thrilled to be here! She is a graduate of Georgia State University, with a Bachelors in Music Education. This is her sixth year as an orchestra director. Ms. Parsons is also a freelance violinist, having played with various orchestras in the Atlanta area. As the orchestra director, she will be teaching the Lower School, Middle School and Upper School Orchestras. She is very excited about the growth of our program, and she looks forward to working with all of our novice musicians.

Anna Burrell is excited to start her first year of teaching at Mount Pisgah Christian School as the Theatre Director. She is a graduate of Piedmont College with a B.A. in Drama Education. During her time at Piedmont, she participated in several shows including, *Godspell* and *As You Like It*. Anna did her student teaching at Peachtree Ridge High School where she directed *I Never Saw Another Butterfly* as well as choreographed different numbers for the school’s show choir. Anna loves watching students grow and explore their creativity in class and on stage, and she can’t wait to see all that is in store for Pisgah Arts.

Courtney Supple, the new Lower School Music Teacher, hails from Chicago, having previously taught high school choral music. She holds a Bachelor of Music Education with high distinction from the University of Illinois, where she also attained the Music Education Achievement Award. Mrs. Supple has served as choral director at Northside High School in Columbus, GA, where she directed seven ensembles. Her love for music and passion for sharing it with young people is demonstrated by Rachmaninoff’s words, “Music is enough for a lifetime, but a lifetime is not enough for music.” She looks forward helping young students learn to praise the Lord through the beauty of music.

Other happenings....

Pisgah Drum Line



Notice something new on East Campus each afternoon? It's the Pisgah Drum Line marching around the parking lot! Through the generosity of school families, the Pisgah Drum Line has replaced its drums with state-of-the-art, lighter drums and harnesses. The new line of marching Pearl's drums are approximately half the weight of the old drums; and the new harnesses allow a much better distribution of weight on the drummer's backs, allowing the Drum Line to begin marching this year. Now mobile, the Drum line will be able to take a more active role in pep rallies and football games. One of the goals this year is to use the drum line to lead the students into pep rallies and games, so as to generate more excitement for the football team. Join the Pisgah Drum Line as they lead the students in to the PAC for the first home game on September 9, 2011, and look for them as they perform at half-time too.

Chorus News

The 2011-2012 Mount Pisgah Choral season is off to a rip-roaring start. With nearly ninety students participating in one of three preparatory school choruses, Pisgah families will have many opportunities to hear very fine and varied singing. The first choral outing will be at the September 9th Varsity football game. The sixth grade chorus will be performing the "Star-Spangled Banner". Commemorating the resilience of the American Spirit in response to the September 11 attacks, these young singers will lead the stadium in what will be a powerful rendition of "God Bless America" followed by a surprise musical selection by the men of the chorus performing with the Pisgah drum line.

Along with the entire Pisgah Arts Department, the chorus is anxious to sing on the new stage in the recently renovated South Hall. Another new development in the choral program is Brio's (6th grade chorus) and Cappriccio's (7th/8th grade chorus) participation in the Southern Star Music Festival, an adjudicated festival from which they will gain an understanding of development as an ensemble and have the opportunity to hear numerous other choruses perform. Cantabile, the Upper School Chorus, will participate in a World Stride Heritage Music Festival in Orlando, Florida after having earned Silver rating at the 2011 Southern Star Music Festival. These experiences will be invaluable as the Pisgah choruses continue to grow.



Lower School Visual Arts

A big change for Lower School Art has taken place over the summer in conjunction with the renovations in South Hall: a beautiful new Art room on the ground floor! For this school year, the theme is 'striving to be Artists for God', focusing on organic (God-made) shapes, forms and subject matter. The students will explore the work of master artists and their use of the Elements and Principles of Design. When creating their own artwork, students will have the opportunity to use what they are learning while having fun at the same time. Each grade level will have a project featured in the Principal's Gallery sometime between now and May.

Memory Project

Upper School students participated in the Memory Project last year, a unique initiative in which art students create portraits (drawings, paintings, digital art, etc.) for children and teens around the world who have been orphaned, neglected, or disadvantaged. The goal of the project is to inspire caring, global friendship, and a positive sense of self. Pisgah students received a big thank you for giving these kids a gift that will last a lifetime. To see the portraits delivered and for more information, click on the Memory Project link: www.memoryproject.org/Mexico2011

Become a PAPA Member!

We had a great response for PAPA Memberships during Curriculum nights but we are still waiting for you! You can now join using the online process or by printing out [this form](#) and mailing it in. As an added incentive, if you join before October 4, you will be entered into a raffle for a quilt that has been handmade by a Pisgah mom. Thank you to the members that have already joined:

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Kate & Scott Barron
Erik Buxton
Blake & Kim Davenport
Kevin & Mimi Doss
Kim & Leamon Hall

Kristen Holden
Glenn & Lynn Mayer
Christine McKay
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