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Taking Note! ...

Williamsport Music Club
February 2026

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'Tis the season for hearts and Valentines, chocolates and flowers! We certainly ❤️ the performances at our recent Sacred Music program chaired by Kathy Cimini ~ thank you so much to her and to all who shared their talents!

*Let me be the first to welcome new member, **Nic Biddle!** He has delighted us with his performances over the years and we are so happy he has joined our ranks! We have been fortunate to also enjoy his son, Pierce, at the piano. Soon, Pierce will be accompanying his Dad!*

We have a Sing Along Outreach scheduled on February 20 at 10:30 @ Leighton Place on Rural Ave. Please contact Kristin Ivers to indicate your interest in participating. We have song sheets of beloved love songs that the residents will enjoy singing! Come out, participate and experience the joy that singing together brings!

"Let there be music" KI



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK...

It's February, Valentine's Day is almost here, and love is in the air!



Join the Williamsport Music Club on Tuesday, February 24 as we pour our hearts out in songs of love and celebration for our Club's Founders Day program! Come for the music, stay for the cake! Vice President Ann Workman is planning some delicious treats for our post concert enjoyment. We hope you will come satisfy your ears and your tastebuds!

January's Sacred Music program was another monumental production by Katharine Cimini. There was truly something for everyone. Thank you to everyone who participated and attended, despite the recent snow and extremely cold conditions.

Earlier this year, the Music Club was alerted by our gracious host venue, Pine Street United Methodist Church, that their Bishop is requesting use of the church's facilities on the same date as our June dinner and program and we will need to find new accommodations. During the January meeting of the Music Club's Board of Directors, we discussed alternatives to host this program and we are quickly working to provide you with details. Rest assured, we will conclude our season with a shared meal and program featuring our region's up-and-coming music talent.

Hope your 2026 is off to a great start and see you on February 24th!

Musically yours,

Ryan A. Workman

WMC President



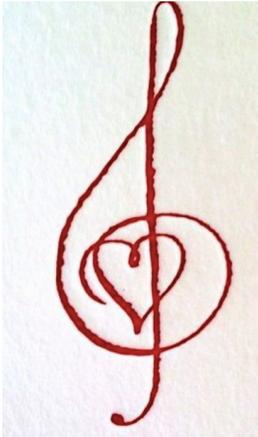
FEBRUARY MEETING INFORMATION!

JOIN US AT OUR FEBRUARY MEETING!
Chaired by *Ryan Workman*

Greeters:
Ryan & Ann Workman

Happy 89th Birthday, WMC!

Song & Poem of the Month:
Presented by *Lois Williams*
Accompanied by *Kristin Ivers*



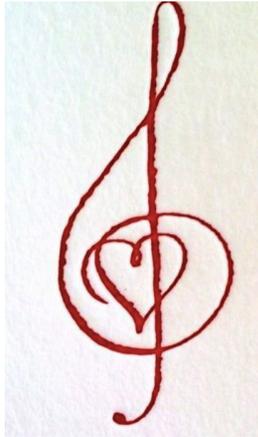

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 Williamsport, Pennsylvania
 KEEPING MUSIC ALIVE FOR THE FUTURE!
Organized and Federated
February 22, 1937
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presents

With Love From,
The Williamsport Music Club

**The Williamsport Music Club's
Birthday Bash**

Tuesday, February 24, 2026 7:00 PM
 Pine Street United Methodist Church
 441 Pine Street Williamsport, PA

www.williamsportmusicclub.com



AND... we'll enjoy CAKE!
See you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

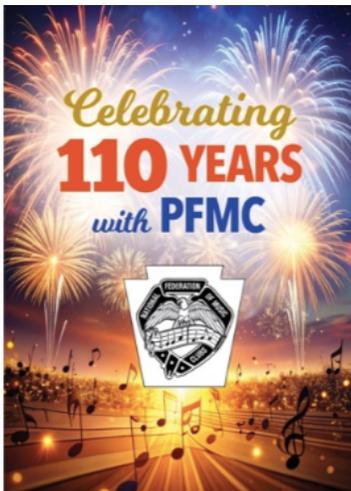
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YOU

- February 5, 2026 Concert at Noon: Faculty Jazz Combo
Where: Shangraw Performance Hall, Honors Hall
When: 12:00 PM
- February 10, 2026 Williamsport Symphony Concert
“From New York to Bohemia”
Where: Journey Bank Community Arts Center, 220 W. Fourth St.
When: 7:30PM
- February 18, 2026 Lycoming College Community Orchestra
Where: McIver Rehearsal Hall, Trachte Music Center, Lycoming College
When: 7:00PM
- February 20, 2026 Outreach– WMC Sing Along “Our favorite Love Songs”
Where: Leighton Place, 1251 Rural Ave, Williamsport
When: 10:30 AM
- February 24, 2026 “Celebrating 89 years of WMC” – Ryan Workman, Chair
Where: Pine Street UMC, 441 Pine St., Wmspt
When: 7:00 PM

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OFFICIAL CALL Pennsylvania Federation of Music Clubs

★ Board Meeting and 90th Convention ★ May 21-23, 2026 ★ Holiday Inn, Williamsport ★
Come to engage, participate, share, remember, be inspired by the music, meet new friends!



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SAVE THE DATE!!!
FULL REGISTRATION – JUST \$35

Special Guests - NFMC VP Heidi Hong
NFMC Young Artist Misha Galant

Misha Galant, piano

Born into a family of musicians, Misha Galant began piano lessons at the age of six with his mother, Olya Katsman. During high school, he received guidance from Sharon Mann and Yoshikazu Nagai of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. He went on to graduate from Columbia University, where he studied piano with Joseph Kalichstein through Columbia-Julliard Exchange, while also earning degrees in Data Science and Russian Literature. In 2023, he earned a Master's in Piano Performance under Dr. Viktor Volkov, followed in 2025 by a Master's in Atmospheric Sciences with Dr. John Harel at the University of Utah, where he completed a thesis on evaporation dynamics in the areas surrounding the Great Salt Lake. Other formative teachers include Tatiana Zelikman of the Gnesin School in Moscow and Dr. Yu-Jane Yang of Weber State University in Utah.



Misha gave his first full solo recital at age 12 and made his orchestral debut at 13, performing Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1 with the Oakland East Bay Symphony. He has since performed with the Fort Worth Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, Utah Symphony, and the California Youth Symphony, touring with the latter in Austria and Italy in performances of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. He is a prizewinner of the inaugural Van Cliburn Junior Competition (2015), as well as the Gina Bachauer and New Orleans International Piano Competitions (2024). From 2015 to 2020, he performed extensively across California as a member of the MTAC's prestigious Young Artist Guild and was named one of two Gilmore Young Artists in the U.S. in 2020. Additionally, Misha is an avid chamber musician and enjoys performing benefit concerts for retirement communities and charitable causes.

It's Time to Promote!

We have several opportunities for local students to win monetary awards for their performances...



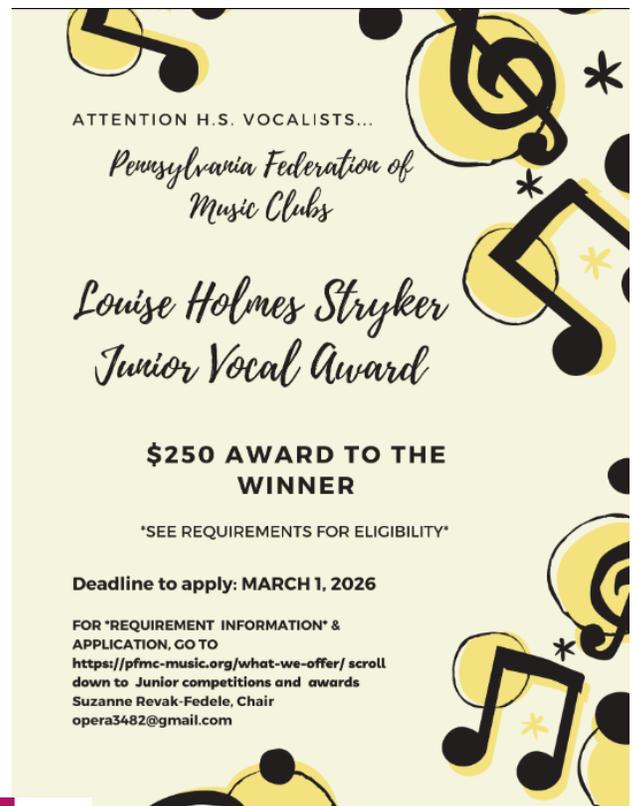
**WILLIAMSPORT
MUSIC CLUB
BUDD
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
COMPETITION**

\$1,500

THIS AWARD IS AWARDED ANNUALLY TO A LYCOMING COUNTY HS GRADUATING SENIOR PLANNING TO CONTINUE STUDYING OR ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN MUSIC AT COLLEGE.

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS MARCH 13, 2026
DOWNLOAD REQUIREMENTS/APPLICATION AT
[WILLIAMSPORTMUSICCLUB.COM/SCHOLARSHIPS](https://www.williamsportmusicclub.com/scholarships)

Each year, the Williamsport Music Club extends an invitation to schools in Lycoming County to have their musically talented students audition for the Budd Memorial Scholarship. Any graduating senior who intends to go on and participate in music offerings at college (be it Band, Choir, Orchestra, or private lessons) is eligible to audition. The winner is asked then to perform for our club and be presented at the annual April Gala. More information and application can be found and printed out on our website. <https://www.williamsportmusicclub.com/scholarships>



ATTENTION H.S. VOCALISTS...

*Pennsylvania Federation of
Music Clubs*

*Louise Holmes Stryker
Junior Vocal Award*

**\$250 AWARD TO THE
WINNER**

SEE REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Deadline to apply: MARCH 1, 2026

FOR "REQUIREMENT INFORMATION" &
APPLICATION, GO TO
<https://pfmc-music.org/what-we-offer/> scroll
down to Junior competitions and awards
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The PFMC Louise Holmes Stryker Junior Vocal Award is being offered new this year. This award also honors one of our own exceptional past members, Louise Stryker. Our WMC member and past PFMC President, Suzanne Revak-Fedele is the chair of this award. Please promote this award to a talented young singer whom you may know. More info can be found: <https://pfmc-music.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/LHS-Award-Requirements.pdf>

Application: <https://pfmc-music.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/LHS-Application.pdf>



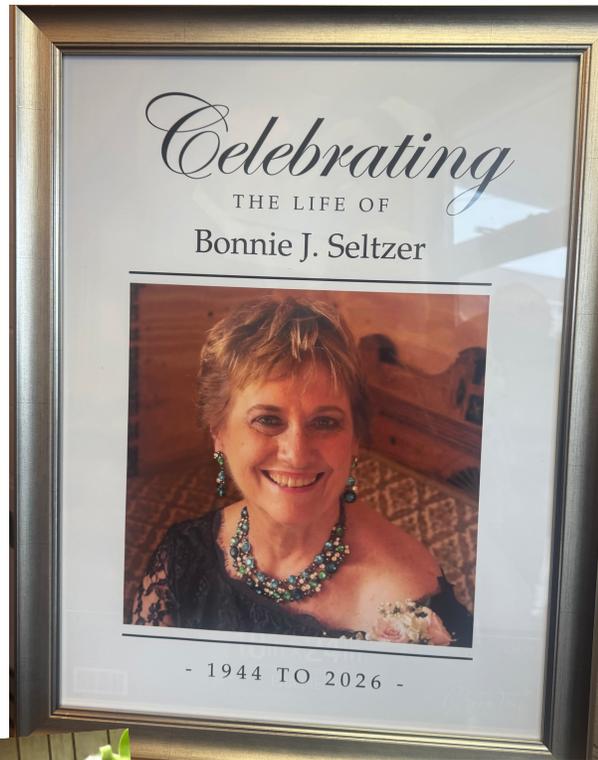
**Martha Marcks Mack
JUNIOR VOCAL AWARD**

1st Place \$1,500, 2nd Place \$1,000, 3rd Place \$500

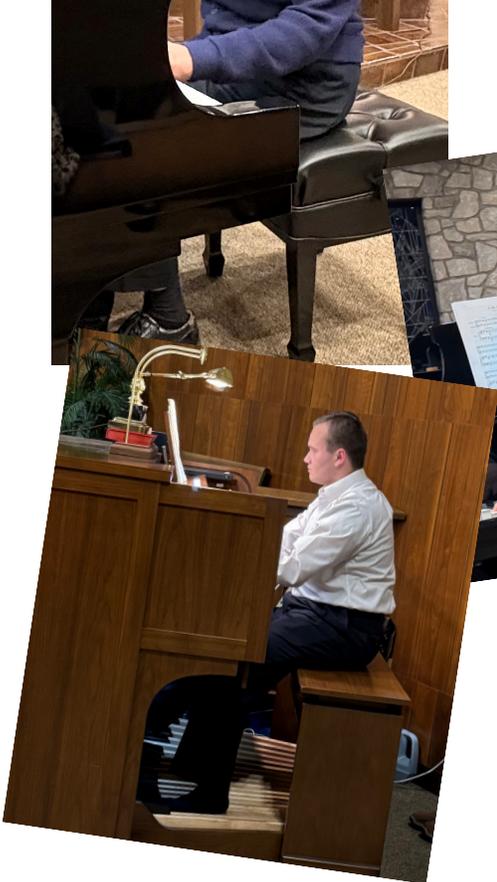
This is an annual award, given to a deserving and talented singer in High School grades 10, 11, & 12, for the purpose of further musical study. The goal of this award is to encourage young singers toward a musical career. Check out nifmc-music.org, Competitions and Awards, Jr. Division, forms JR 21-1 & JR 21-2. This competition has a **March 1** deadline so put those finishing touches on your performance and prepare your videos! Contact Kristin Ivers, National Chair. kivers210@gmail.com

The Martha Marcks Mack Junior Vocal Award was established in 2013 to honor Martha Marcks Mack of Kuhnsville, PA. The award will be given each year to a deserving and talented singer in High School grades 10, 11, 12 for the purpose of further musical study. The goal of this award is to encourage young singers toward a musical career.

In Memorium...



A look back at January...





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