



April 13, 2024
7:00pm
Capital One Hall, Tysons

The Vienna Jammers

The Vienna Jammers Percussion Ensemble participants develop life skills in the essential areas of self-confidence, personal discipline, creativity, cooperation, community awareness, acceptance, and tolerance through music and its performance.

Our mission is to educate youth through unique percussion programs; provide a dynamic and diverse experience in the performing arts; nurture the creativity of each child, and enrich lives within the community.

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A note from our Director, David L. Reynolds, Jr.

It's been a truly exciting year for the Vienna Jammers, and it isn't over yet! Rehearsing six youth ensembles and one adult ensemble and performing live have kept our headquarters busy as we have prepared to share our music throughout the area.

This season marks our 11th year as a non-profit organization! We have come quite a long way since our small beginnings with 16 percussionists in one ensemble. We now have over 135 kids ranging from 2nd-12th grade in six ensembles representing over 25 different schools in the area.

With a decade behind us, we are entering our second phase of growth as an organization which involves expanding our geographical reach. This will involve the logistics of flying with both the performers AND the equipment. We will also continue to grow and expand our Jammers Tech program which focuses on teaching students how to film, edit, and produce content to share with the world. In addition, this program also is designed to teach students how to set up and run sound for live performances. The best part of the program is that kids are learning specialized skills by applying their knowledge in the real world while also being able to tap into their creative side. This group has tripled in size in two short seasons.

Tonight we are super excited to perform in a professional concert venue again as well as collaborate with the super creative and talented Yasmin Williams. We will be graduating five seniors this season!

We invite you to like and subscribe to our Youtube, Facebook, Instagram and TikTok pages to keep up with all of our performances and music that we are working on. We have been working hard all year to bring you the music we will be sharing with you this evening. The kids are so excited to have the opportunity to perform for you. They continue to impress me with their enthusiasm, talent and creativity. I am so very proud of them, and I am grateful for your support of our organization and for the opportunity to share their music with the community.

*Warmly,
Dave*

Ensembles

Jammers White



Row 3: Charlotte Aloisi, Harper Titmas, Annie Harrell, Cullen Denney, Thomas Lucca, Susana Bernstein

Row 2: Grace Yuan, Walter Brafford, Rami Dixon, Carter Michehl, Alex Parker

Row 1: Anna Bryan, Lucia Cervantes, Nate Rounds, Jonah Lee, Harrison Lee

Jammers Green



Row 3: Anna MacLean, Cody Brennan, Ryan Brennan, Gracyn Stroud, Eli Keller, Oliver Milam, Nate Cannon, William LoBalbo

Row 2: Brooks Kelly, Vera Chew, Elsa Tseng, Cameron Beck, Joey Deaton, Eleanor Bryan, Yiji Liu, William Abidin

Row 1: Emmett Dasco, Enzo Ala, Noah Schwartz, JT Shih, Maxine Blanchard, Owen Keller, Colson McGarrigal, Maxwell Shaw

Jammers Red



Row 3: Emmett Nguyen, Kaaya Patel, Avi Burrowbridge, Elena Julia DuBois, Sebastian Seghezzi, Phoebe Szczesnowicz

Row 2: John Maloney, Elya Tariverdi, Henry Hall, Tucker McKee, Benjamin Dorney

Row 1: Louisa Wach, Olivia Catalano, Ezra Loke, Ava Morgenthaler, Ethan Chew, Kian Pirowski

Jammers Black



Row 3: Naomi Trillet, Nina Grove, Georgia Zara, Carolinie Robbins, Millan Dhanjal, Holden Schwartz, Jack Small, Joshua MacLean

Row 2: Hunter Norton, Noella Malacki, Jack Dorney, Luke Prentice, Everest Yiasemides, Shaan Singh, Gabriel Nguyen

Row 1: Tristan Miner, Calvin Herzbach, Abby Petrucelli, Charlotte Melchior, Nicholas Norton, Kyle Herzbach, Logan Hou

Not Pictured: Sam Garthwaite, Clara Psotka

Jammers Steel



Row 3: Drew Reynolds, Alasdair McCommons, Kirin Clark, Andrew Krouse, Michael Greco, Benjamin Plowgian

Row 2: Liam Crawford, Grace Garthwaite, Dylan Bang, Chen Shih, Anju Olson, Zachary Hou

Row 1: Madeleine Wach, Anderson Welch, Jasper Diffell, Eli Bernstein, Timothy Hazzard, Luke Janda

Not Pictured: Sam Rowe

Jammers Advanced Steel



Row 3: Connor Prentice, Ethan Chichka, Ethan Morrow, Leo Wach, Sean Clinton, Max Chu

Row 2: Kal Collins, Sophia Decker, Reily Lin, Matthew Hazlin, Ryelyn Nordeng

Row 1: Jayden Naughton, Charlotte Everhart, Kieran Fagella, Claire Armstrong, Emma Garthwaite

Jammers Tech



Liam Crawford, Orion Yiasemides, Anderson Welch

Jammers Advanced Tech



Row 4: Connor Prentice, Kirin Clark, Jonathan Maher, Luke Etris

Row 3: Kaelum Walker, Shannon Polchow, Thomas Maher

Row 2: Jack Petrucelli, Claire Armstrong, Emma Harrell

Row 1: Leo Wach

Program

Master of Ceremonies: Rick Bernstein

Music Director: David L. Reynolds, Jr.

Assistant Director: Laura Moniuszko

Jammers Steel

Pa Bailar Jeff Narrell

Jammers Green

Mojo..... Walt Hampton

Jammers Red

Bob Ross..... D. Reynolds, Jr. & Jammers Red

Jammers Advanced Steel

It's My PartyLesley Gore/arr. Ethan Chichka

Jammers White

Jet Fiter..... Walt Hampton

Jammers Black

Hamburger Cheeseburger.....David L. Reynolds, Jr. & Jammers Black

Intermission

Jammers Steel

Sunshowers Yasmin Williams/arr. D. Reynolds, Jr.

Jammers Green

Guitka..... Yasmin Williams/arr. D. Reynolds, Jr.

Jammers White

Restless Heart.....Yasmin Williams
(Ensemble #3 by Will Schmid)

Jammers Red

Jarabi Yasmin Williams/arr. D. Reynolds, Jr.

Jammers Black

Urban Driftwood Yasmin Williams/arr. D. Reynolds, Jr.

Jammers Advanced Steel

Somewhere Over the Rainbow.....Harold Arlen/arr. A. Gris  & D. Reynolds, Jr.

Jammers Black

Isu Tauya Pano..... traditional

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Biographies



Executive Director: David L. Reynolds, Jr.

David L. Reynolds, Jr. is the Founder and Executive Director of the Vienna Jammers, a non-profit group of over 135 students in six different ensembles representing more than two dozen area schools in Fairfax County. Mr. Reynolds has traveled to Africa and Nicaragua as an active participant in OneVoice, a charity that connects children around the world through music.

Mr. Reynolds has been nominated for Teacher of the Year Award in Fairfax County, recognized as the Teacher of the Year by the Vienna-Tysons Chamber of Commerce, is a GRAMMY nominated semi-finalist for Outstanding Music Teacher, has been recognized for his volunteer contributions to the Vienna community by the Mayor of Vienna, and was a 40 under 40 honoree as recognized by the Leadership Center for Excellence.



Assistant Director: Laura Moniuszko

Laura Moniuszko is the Assistant Director of the Vienna Jammers, fondly known as Ms. Cat Boyardee! Born into the Moniuszko family where music echoed in every corner, Laura's father handed her the drumsticks, initiating her percussion journey with the Moniuszko Family Band. And while she candidly admits they weren't the best band out there, the passion was undeniably there.

Laura's musical explorations began with the piano and voice, but her heart found its rhythm in the ninth grade with the marimba. By senior year, two pivotal pieces of advice led her destiny: the pursuit of teaching music, and the pride of being a HOKIE. Embracing both, Laura achieved her B.A. in Percussion Performance & Music Education, followed by an M.A. Ed in Curriculum and Instruction from Virginia Tech. Laura is the accomplished Director of Percussion at Flint Hill Schools, and we are privileged to have her expertise and energy with the Vienna Jammers as our Assistant!

Biographies (continued)



Business Manager: Reshma Eggleston

Reshma Eggleston started serving as bookkeeper for the Vienna Jammers the same year that the Jammers became a non-profit and her youngest child, Beaver Syrup, auditioned and became a part of Jammers Red. As the organization grew, Reshma's support grew with it, evolving beyond financial support and into administration and operations, and just last year received her

Jammers nickname – Pita Bread! When her Jammer graduated from the program after nine fun years, Reshma started her own musical journey by joining Jammers Gold and is loving this new connection to the Jammers community. A fellow Hokie, Reshma graduated from Virginia Tech with a B.S. in Operations Management.



Featured Guest Artist: Yasmin Williams

Yasmin Williams sits on her leather couch, her guitar stretched across her lap horizontally with its strings turned to the sky. She taps on the fretboard with her left hand as her right hand plucks a kalimba placed on the guitar's body. Her feet, clad in tap shoes, keep rhythm on a mic'd wooden board placed under her. Even with all limbs in play, it's mind boggling that the melodic and percussive sounds that emerge are

made by just one musician, playing in real time. With her ambidextrous and pedidextrous, multi-instrumental techniques of her own making and influences ranging from video games to West African griots subverting the predominantly white male canon of fingerstyle guitar, Yasmin Williams is truly a guitarist for the new century. So too is her stunning sophomore release, *Urban Driftwood*, an album for and of these times. Though the record is instrumental, its songs follow a narrative arc of 2020, illustrating both a personal journey and a national reckoning, through Williams' evocative, lyrical compositions. A native of northern Virginia, Williams, now 24, began playing electric guitar in 8th grade, after she beat the video game *Guitar Hero 2* on expert level. Initially inspired by Jimi Hendrix and other

Biographies (continued)

shredders she was familiar with through the game, she quickly moved on to acoustic guitar, finding that it allowed her to combine fingerstyle techniques with the lap-tapping she had developed through Guitar Hero, as well as perform as a solo artist. By 10th grade, she had released an EP of songs of her own composition. Deriving no lineage from “American primitive” and rejecting the problematic connotations of the term, Williams’ influences include the smooth jazz and R&B she listened to growing up, Hendrix and Nirvana, go-go and hip-hop. Her love for the band Earth, Wind and Fire prompted her to incorporate the kalimba into her songwriting, and more recently, she’s drawn inspiration from other Black women guitarists such as Elizabeth Cotten, Sister Rosetta Tharpe, and Algia Mae Hinton. On *Urban Driftwood*, Williams references the music of West African griots through the inclusion of kora (which she recently learned) and by featuring the hand drumming of 150th generation djeli of the Kouyate family, Amadou Kouyate, on the title track.

Since its release in January 2021, *Urban Driftwood* has been praised by numerous publications such as Pitchfork, Rolling Stone, The Washington Post, NPR Music, No Depression, Paste Magazine, and many others. Williams will be touring in support of *Urban Driftwood* throughout 2021.



Emcee: Rick Bernstein

Rick Bernstein, “The Voice of DC”, is a host, producer, fundraiser, and founder of Voice of DC Productions, a production company specializing in live event fundraising for mission-driven organizations. Rick has served as Fundraising Chair for the Vienna Jammers for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 seasons and is a proud Dad of two Jammers.

Congrats Seniors!!



Sophia Decker



Kal Collins



Kieran Fagella



Ryelyn Nordeng



Max Chu



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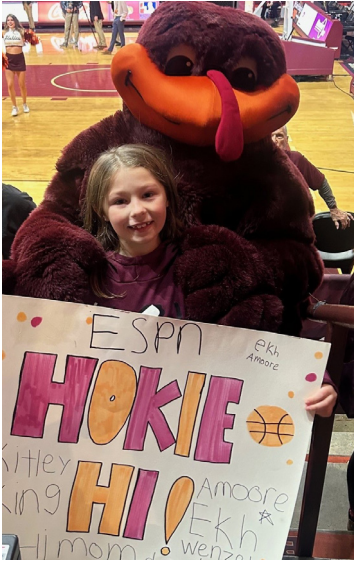


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**Our star shines bright tonight!
We love you and are so proud!
Keep rockin' girl- Hokie Hi!**

Mom, Dad, Baker, Yaya, Papa & Grammy



**Georgia, We are very proud of all
your hard work in Jammers!
It's been a joy to watch you play
your heart out.**

Love, Your Family



**Congratulations on a great
performance, Duck's Mayo!**

Love, Nani, Mom and Dad



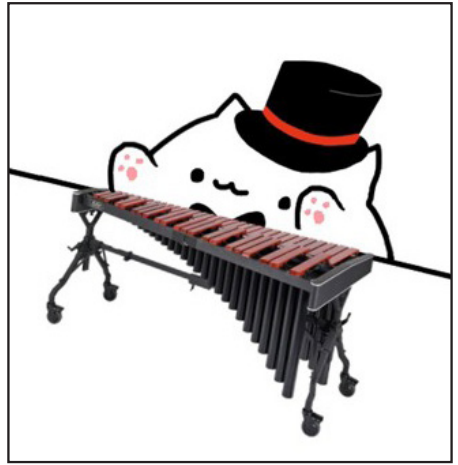
Go Maxwell!

We can't wait to watch you play!



**A big shoutout to our
music-loving, turtle pooping son!
You make us proud.**

Love you always!



**Break a leg,
Angie and Walter!**



**Zypp says,
"BREAK A LEG, WALTER!"**



**Hey Walter: Your chihuahua
cousin Skippyjon says
turn it up to 13.5!**



Wishing you a fun and jammin' performance, Emmett! We miss and love you all the way from Germany! Can't wait to see you soon! Raphael, Aly, Angelo, Ninang Ren and Tito VJ



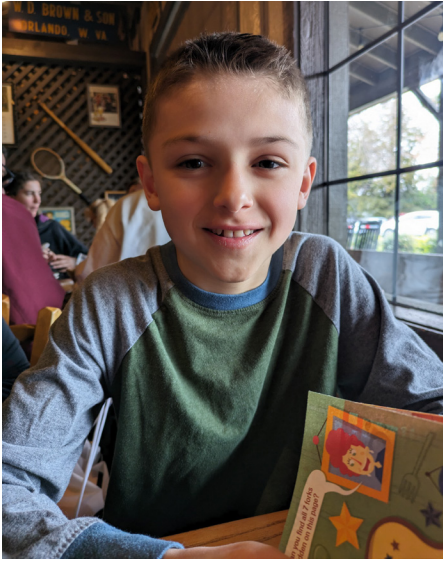
Walter - I wish I could be there in person to see you perform! Break a leg! Love, Grandma Patty



Congratulations, Charlotte aka "Hungry Hippo!" We love watching you perform with your fellow Jammers and are so proud of you! ♥



Proud of you, Low Ryder! Thank you for bringing music and joy into our lives.



**We're proud of you Henry!
Love Mommy, Daddy,
and George!**



**Thank you, KC, for bringing
such wonderful music to life!
We are so proud of you!
Keep on marching to the
beat of your own drum!**



**Give it a Full
15 Percent!!!
Love you too much**



**Mac and cheese...
Colson, you light up every room
you walk into. We can't wait to see
you light up the stage tonight!
Love, M&D**



**Rock on!!
Keep it Red Hot and Regal,
Hunter and Nick!!
(aka Red Hot Chili Pepper
and Sir Arthur)**



**Jam on Eli and Susana!
We love you and are so proud.
Love, Mom & Dad, Poppy,
Grandma, and Noonie**



**Sorry we can't be there, but
I'm sure it will be memorable.
We enjoyed your last
performances and look
forward to the next!
Love, Granddaddy and Callie**



**Great work in Jammers
this year, Whopper!
And shoutout to
Mama Whopper too!**



**Kal! What a fantastic decade of fun, friends, and funky tunes with Vienna Jammers.
We love you!
XOXO, Mom, Dad, and Sean**



**Emmett, congrats on your debut performance!
Keep chasing those beats & may your rhythm resonate forever.
Love, Mom, Dad and Wesley**



**Break a leg William aka Big Will aka Will the Dollar Bill aka George Washington!
We love you!
Love Mom, Lynn & the whole fam!**



**Congratulations, Emmett!
Grampa and Gramma are so proud of you!
We love you!**



Sophia, Your smile lights up the world. So proud of you. The sky is the limit!



**Reagan National!
We're so proud of you, and can't wait to hear it all tonight!**



Ryelyn - For years we've enjoyed your Jammers performances. We're so proud of you! Grandma and Papa



Ryelyn/Rye Toast/Toasty - Thank you for bringing us into the Jammers family! We're so excited to see what lies ahead for you!



**Rock on Walter!
You are the best.
Aunt Sarah and Uncle Louis**

**Program Design
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