

COLOR & CHORDS

Celebrating the Fine and Performing Arts in the Medford Public Schools

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ISSUE 1

Student Spotlight: Dakota Mahoney

We caught up with MHS junior Dakota, one of our most talented artists, and asked her to share some insight about her art and art making process.



THIS IS NOT A PHOTO!

How long have you been making art?

I've been making art since I was a little kid. I've always enjoyed drawing and being creative, but I started taking it more seriously in middle school.

What inspires you?

I'm inspired a lot by music, emotions and people. I always listen to music while I work because it helps me focus in and forget the rest of the world for awhile.

Who is your favorite artist?

I don't really have a favorite visual artist. I am, however, a fan of a variety of music artists such as Alice in Chains and Pink.

What is your favorite kind of art to make?

My favorite kind of art to make is black & white photo realism with pencil as my medium. I just love including all the little details and watching it come alive in front of me as I work. My favorite subjects are faces and hands because I think they're interesting.

Do you plan to pursue art as a career?

I don't plan on pursuing a career in fine arts although I've considered it. I just don't think it's the best fit for me. Regardless, I'm sure art will always play a valuable role in my life.

MHS Drama Club

THE MHS DRAMA CLUB IS HARD AT WORK IN REHEARSALS FOR THE FALL PLAY

"THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST"

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:

11/17 11/18 @ 7PM.

11/19 @ 2PM & 7PM.

\$10 FOR STUDENTS

\$25 FOR ADULTS

Tickets will be sold in Room C212 or at the door. You can also email rjones@medford.k12.ma.us to reserve tickets



MHS music teacher Ms. Fard stands in front of the new guitar closet and her "gig board" that posts local opportunities to play music and perform. Interested students are encouraged to come check it out! You can find it right outside Ms. Fard's room (A115). (Thank you to the Building and Grounds crew for constructing this much needed closet!)



MEDFORD MUSTANG MARCHING BAND
THE PRIDE AND I DOVER OF MEDFORD

Congratulations to the Medford Mustang Marching Band for their second place finish at the NESBA Championship finals. They also won BEST COLOR GUARD for their division and received a GOLD MEDAL with a score of 94.4!

Let's hear it for the band!

Art, Music & Drama Clubs



It's not too late to get involved with any of the Art's Departments Clubs! Join the Google Classroom to get more information and connect with the club advisors. What are you waiting for?

- MMS Art Club- fk6jjsn
- MMS Music Club- 4vrtsiu
- AMS Art Club-email Mr. Gallagher
- MHS Art Club- fuotdpp
- MHS Drama Club- gpgkq7d
- MHS NAHS- cklxdwq
- Cermics Club MHS- see Mr. Smith



Various community members from MPS are working on a large scale tile mosaic that will be displayed permanently outside Medford High School. This project was funded by a Medford Arts Council grant and will be completed in collaboration with Medford Family Network and tile artist Susan Altman. This will be the first permanent artwork to be installed on the exterior walls of the MHS building! The theme for the project is "Over the Rainbow." It will celebrate and emphasize the incredible diversity of the large MHS/VTHS community: people of the many ABIPOC, LGBTQ, faith communities, immigrants, and other diverse individuals who together make up the mosaic of Medford! The best part is it's not too late to get involved! Reach out to Mrs. Fee for more info. All Members of the Medford community are welcome to participate in this project.



WINTER CONCERTS



- WED. 12/14- WINTER BAND CONCERT GRADES 6-12
- THURS. 12/15- WINTER ORCHESTRA CONCERT GRADES 6-12
- WED. 1/18- ELEMENTARY WINTER CONCERT
- ALL SHOWS: 7PM @ MEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Faculty spotlight: Mr. Bruno

Assistant Principal McGlynn Middle School

I'm sure a lot of people have already gotten a chance to meet Mr. Bruno, the McGlynn Middle School's new Assistant principal. But we're guessing not many people know about Mr. Bruno's talent for decorating amazing cakes! Mr. Bruno started out by making cakes for his own kid's birthday parties and just like anything else, with practice and focus, he just keeps getting better and better! Take a moment to try to find out something new about someone in your school today- they just might surprise you!



Music Careers You Never Thought of:

Careers in music go well beyond performing! There are many different careers for people who are passionate about music. Here are just a few:



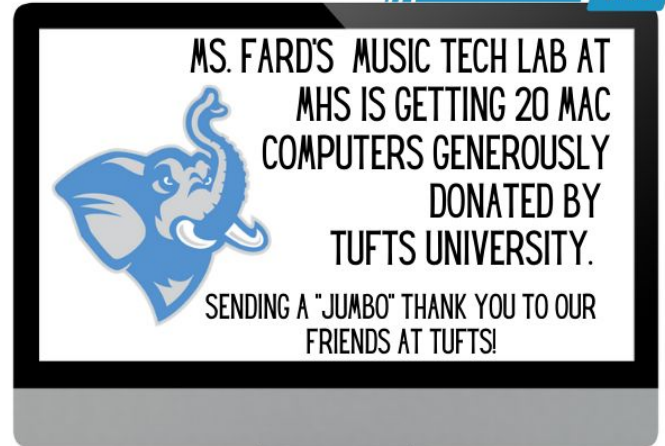
*Dream Big
Work HARD*

- DJ
- Song writer
- Music Journalist
- Composer
- Musician's Agent
- Sound Engineer
- Sound Technician
- Music Buyer
- Tour Manager
- Music producer
- Vocal Coach
- Music Teacher
- Music Therapist
- Conductor



Large scale gem paintings created by Kiera, Joey, Miriam and Ari from Mrs. Fee's Design class.

BREAKING NEWS
LIVE



Printmaking at the McGlynn



Sixth graders in Ms. Nobrega's class at the McGlynn made monoprints inspired by artist Lucy Tiffney.



The **monoprint** is a form of printmaking where the image can only be made once, unlike most printmaking which allows for multiple originals.

Recorders are Back!



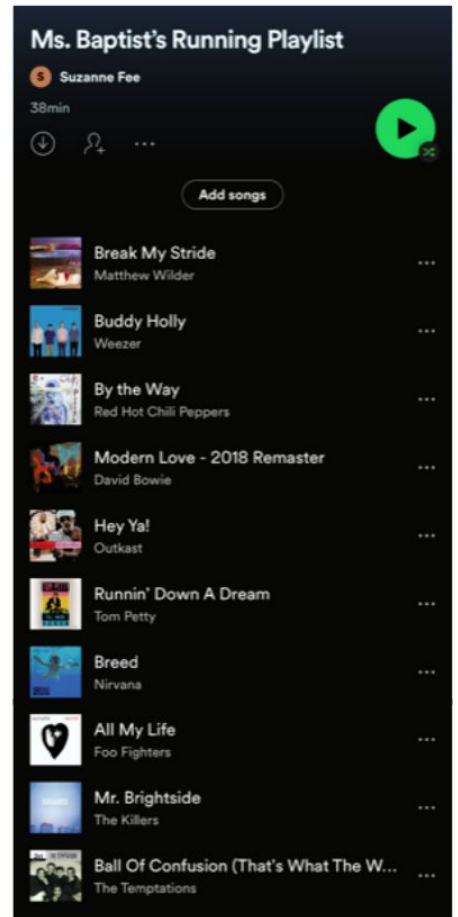
We are excited to bring recorders back to the elementary schools this year. They will be a great addition to their general music classes!

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE ARTIST WHO ALWAYS TOOK THINGS TOO FAR?



SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHERE TO DRAW THE LINE!

In every issue we catch up with a member of the Mustang community to find out what they are listening to. In this issue we caught up with Ms. Baptist who shared one of her running playlists with us .





Scholastic Art & Writing Awards



KYA DYOUS-GOULDEN "SILENCED", MIXED MEDIA, HONORABLE MENTION (2021)



KATHARINE SCHMIDT, "NIGHT COMMUTE", DIGITAL ART. HONORABLE MENTION (2021)

Since 1923, the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards have recognized the vision, ingenuity, and talent of our nation's youth, and provided opportunities for creative teens to be celebrated. This year students in grades 7-12 (ages 13 and up) can apply. See your art teacher for more information.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ENTRIES TO YOUR ART TEACHER IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

What do you say to the musician playing the triangle in the orchestra?
-Thank you for every TING!



Brooks second grader Jack R. shows off his original radiating star paper sculpture made in Ms. Keefe's art class. The piece is constructed from 13 pieces of origami paper. I think we can all agree this paper sculpture deserves a "round" of applause!

ON DISPLAY NOW

ICA BOSTON

Institute of Contemporary Art

To Begin Again: Artists and Childhood

Childhood, a subject of universal significance and personal experience, provides a compelling framework for understanding the past and imagining the future. To Begin Again: Artists and Childhood investigates the influence of children and childhood on visual artists from the early 20th century to today.



DEBORAH ROBERTS' "SHANKIA AND GRACE," 2021

