

2007 Music Hall of Fame



Dr. Katharine Cartwright

Dr. Cartwright is an East Stroudsburg Area High School graduate, Class of 1970, and played flute and piccolo in ESASD bands from elementary through high school. While at ESHS, “Katchy” earned the East Stroudsburg Band Mothers Scholarship to Berklee College of Music in 1970. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree (1989) and a Ph.D. (1998) in Music from The City University of New York, as well as a Master of Arts degree in Music from Queens College (CUNY) in 1992. Dr. Cartwright received Fulbright grants for residencies in Greece and Lebanon and has performed and conducted workshops in South Asia, West Africa, South America, the Caribbean and Europe. She has served as a professor, a teacher and a lecturer at numerous colleges and universities and is an internationally acclaimed author and a recording artist as a singer and a flutist. Dr. Cartwright serves as Chair of the International Association for Jazz Education’s Sisters in Jazz Mentoring Program, is on the Board of the International Women in Jazz, and is an active member of the International Association of Schools of Jazz.



Patrick C. Dorian

Mr. Dorian holds degrees from Ithaca College and Northwestern University. He was a teacher of instrumental music at East Stroudsburg Area Junior and Senior High Schools and was the Director of the multi-award-winning ESHS Jazz Ensembles from 1980 through 1989. Pat also taught instrumental music at Pocono Mountain Junior High School from 1989 through 1994 and was the Director of Bands and a music faculty member at East Stroudsburg University from 1987 through 2002. He became an Associate Professor of Jazz Studies and Film Music at ESU in 2002. Pat received the Fred Waring Award for outstanding contributions to the arts and community in 1990 and the Outstanding Advisor Award on the ESU campus in 1996. Mr. Dorian has played the trumpet on two Grammy-nominated CDs, in 1998 and again in 2004. He was the recipient of the ESU Alumni Association “Great Teacher Award” in 2007. Pat was the Director of the COTA Cats during the Delaware Water Gap Celebration of the Arts from 1981 through 2000 and has authored numerous publications in books and international music journals. He has also performed on national and international tours with Phil Woods’ and David Liebman’s Big Bands.



Rebecca DeSanto Taylor

Mrs. Taylor was Valedictorian of the East Stroudsburg Area High School Class of 1991. At ESHS, she participated in marching band, concert band, jazz ensemble, concert choir, pit orchestra, COTA Cats jazz ensemble, PMEA District Band, District Orchestra, Regional Band, Regional Orchestra, All-State Band, All-State Jazz Band, NBA National Honors Concert Band, Pennsylvania Youth Honors Concert Band and was the Choraliers instrumentalist. Becky earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Percussion Performance with a Performer's Certificate from Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, in 1995 and she joined the US Air Force in August, 1997. Becky's first assignment was with the US Air Force Band of the West at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX. This assignment included performances throughout Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas with the Air Force concert band, popular music group, marching band and brass quintet. Becky's second assignment was with the US Air Forces in Europe Band at Sembach Air Base, Germany. She performed in 27 countries throughout Europe, Africa and Asia, including Afghanistan, Israel and South Africa, with the Air Force concert band, Dixieland band, marching band and popular music group. Currently, Mrs. Taylor is assigned to the US Air Force Band of Flight at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH. She performs throughout Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio with the Air Force concert band and ceremonial band. She holds the rank of Technical Sergeant (E-6) and resides in Dayton, OH, with her husband Michael.