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## TASIS SUMMER PROGRAMS PRESENT MSP ARTS FESTIVAL CONCERT



PALESTRA  
AUGUST 9, 2024

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM ~ ARTS FESTIVAL CONCERT

Musical Direction by Mikey Rosenbaum, Mark T Evans, & the Performing Arts Staff

### MSP Slideshow & Talent Show Highlights

“Young and Wild”

**Strumbellas**

Opening Remarks: **Marc-Pierre Jansen**, TASIS Summer Director

“Roar/Lose Yourself”

**M. Mathers, J. Bass, L. Resto, K. Perry,  
L. Gottwald, M. Martin, Bonnie McKee, H. Walter**

MSP English 4/Creative Writing

*Teachers: Mark T Evans, Ajay Raghuraman*

“One Jump Ahead”

**MSP Dance Track**

*Teacher: Thalia Ranjbar*

“Vraiment Beau”

**B. M. Skalpovich**

MSP French

*Teacher: Jami Reimer, Jake D’Ambra*

“Buddy Holly”

**R. Cuomo**

MSP English 2/3

*Teachers: Mark T Evans, Ajay Raghuraman*

“Hidden Treasure”

**W. Hampton**

Xylophone Discovery Hour

*Teacher: Andrea Brannman*

“Ciao Mamma”

**Jovanotti, L. Cersosimo**

MSP Italian

*Teacher: Jake D’Ambra*

Closing Remarks: **Greg Gardner**, Assistant Director of the Middle School Program

“Together”

**T. Fletcher**

## DIRECTOR’S NOTE

The stadium is filled. The athletes are in place. All their preparation, experience, and hard work has come down to this very moment in time, this race, this game. Players become champions when they win, but it’s not always about the prize, the gold medal, or reaching that final peak, but the winning is in the going, the climbing, the pursuit of the goal and in not giving up. This summer as we cheer on our favorite football team or the Olympic champions from our home country, we are reminded about the virtue and power of perseverance. “Perseverance.” It’s a big word with a lot of meaning. It comes with a lot of challenges and with the potential for inspiration just like any summer arts experience here at TASIS. Our students this summer have persevered through challenging classes, absorbing and mastering new skills they never thought possible. They’ve shown perseverance through long rehearsals to get that dance move down a little better each time, to memorize that monologue, or learn a new instrument. Perseverance shows dedication, courage, and strength, all qualities we see every day in our students. Whether it’s on the stage creating original characters in our original musicals, or in the theater booth designing lights that capture the moment perfectly, or even writing personal lyrics. Our students have persevered, prepping all session long for that special race of a performance or production.

This summer has already given so many examples of our students setting and exceeding personal goals in the arts. As art teachers, we have the everyday joy to witness growth in so many beautiful and inspiring ways. Our students continue to surprise us and themselves with the skills they’ve found this summer here at TASIS.

As guests to this Summer Arts Festival, you get to share in the artistic success of so many young performers, experiencing first-hand these brilliant productions and beauty-filled displays of true artistry. We believe firmly at TASIS that every student is capable of creating something inspiring, and as we sing in the Minnows, “It’s never too late to start something great, so what are you waiting for? It’s time to try!” So thank you to the students this summer who are continually trying, who continue to persevere through challenging situations, who have reached goals they never knew possible just a few weeks ago. We couldn’t be more proud of you all. Keep running after your goals. When you’re unsure of where to go next or what to do, “just keep swimming” and keep your eye on the trail ahead of you, for it will take you anywhere you want to go. Even when you finally reach that peak, remember that there are always more views to seek.

It’s been my pleasure to watch you all grow. I hope you leave this summer with new joys, new skills, and new experiences and that the rest of your year is full of magical surprises.

In bocca al lupo,

Mr. Mikey

Michael Rosenbaum

Summer Director of the Performing Arts, TASIS

“He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life.”  
– Muhammad Ali