UK OBOES

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Welcome to the newsletter of the University of Kentucky Oboe Studio!

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UK Oboes following their performance of Lady Gaga for oboe ensemble! February, 2014 L-R: Rachel Tippett, Paul Young, Justin Reynolds, Victoria Zachman, Raechel White, Maddie Loeffler, Dr. Marchioni

WELCOME BACK!

We are delighted to welcome everyone back to the UK Oboe Studio and are ecstatic to announce our new students!

Christine Sallas, joins us as a doctoral candidate and the oboe studio Teaching Assistant. She is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory (Masters of Music) and the University of Georgia (Bachelor of Music in Oboe Performance).

Molly Almes is an incoming freshman Bachelor of Arts in Music major. She is a graduate of Daviess County High School (Owensboro, KY).

Mikayla Labrillazo, a graduate of West Jessamine High School (Nicholasville, KY) is pursuing a bachelor degree as a Human Health Sciences major with an Oboe Performance minor.

Taylor McClellan is beginning her Bachelor of Music in Oboe Performance degree. She is a graduate of East Jessamine High School (Nicholasville, KY).

Breanna Odle is a graduate of Oldham County High School (Buckner, KY). She is alsopursuing a Bachelor of Music in Oboe Performance degree.

We have a fabulous year planned and hope you will join us in for one of our many upcoming events (listed on the back page). The UK Oboe Studio is also available for school visits and performances. Please contact us for more information. marchioni.oboe@uky.edu



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Student Spotlight

Rachel Tippett Rising Sophomore -Bachelor of Arts in Music Major

Sophomore Music Major Rachel Tippett is originally from Fairfax, VA. A very dedicated and thoughtful musician, she is a member of the UK Bands, the UK Symphony Orchestra, and a woodwind quintet. In April 2014, she received the Lynn Markowitz Struttman Oboe Scholarship for oustanding performance, talent, and professional promise in oboe (pictured to the right).

Q: You came to UK as a BS in Biology major (Pre-Med), but are now a music major. Why did you switch?

Originally, I knew that the Biology courses would line up well with my pre-med requirements. But switching to a Music Major allows me to pursue music to a higher degree while still working towards medical school. Plus, applying to medical school with a degree in music is also highly favored, as it indicates a diverse candidate and one that is able to excel in more than one discipline. When it came time to start looking at registration for the new semester, I didn't feel comfortable continuing as a biology major. I officially switched my major and will be fully pursuing it this fall!

Q: What did you do this summer?

I lived at home in Fairfax, VA and took three classes at the local community college that fulfilled requirements of the UK Core and the pre-med curriculum. I also volunteered



at a pediatrics clinic to help with my 500 hours of clinic work experience needed for medical school applications.

Q: What would you tell a prospective student considering studying at UK?

No matter what you do, I definitely encourage you to come and experience UK and the campus for yourself. Come take a tour, meet with the professors in your prospective college, attend a class, go to a sports game ... immerse yourself in the life that is UK. We can say as much as we want about the hundreds of degrees or organizations that UK offers, but what really makes it unique and completes "the experience" is the atmosphere and life found on and around campus.

Q: What are you most excited about for this school

year? I am most excited about the opportunities that I will have within the School of Music. I look forward to the

challenge and excitement that comes along with having an oboe studio almost double the size of last vear's! It's exciting to think that the bands and orchestras will be "fully stocked" with oboe players. Additionally,

serving as the Vice President of Brotherhood for Kappa Kappa Psi allows me to step into a leadership role, generating a lot of planning and exciting times for new memories.

Q: What is your favorite thing about the UK oboe studio?

Without a doubt, my favorite thing about the UK Oboe Studio is the people. I came in as the only freshman, a bit intimidated and not having any idea what to expect. The oboe studio was instantly another family for me, and I was quickly accepted. Whether I had questions about the studio assignment, what classes to take, or I needed someone to watch the baseketball games with, I knew they would only be one text away. On top of all that, it is such a joy to have the opportunity to make music with them whether in studio duets. band rehearsal, or orchestra debuts!

From the Reed Desk of Dr. Marchioni

I hope all of you have had a wonderful start to the school year! I could not be more excited to start my second year at the University of Kentucky. I am thrilled to report that the oboe studio has grown to 15 students - 12 UK students and 3 honorary members who are advanced high school students studying with me privately.

We have some wonderful events planned this year, including several guest artist masterclasses and recitals. I hope you and your students will take advantage of these opportunities to interact with some fabulous musicians -- did you hear that the BERLIN PHILHARMONIC WIND QUINTET is coming in October!?

With the start of the school year also comes the beginnings of musical study for many young musicians. I would love to visit each of your schools over the next few months if possible to work with your oboe sections! **Please be in touch with me!**

For those of you with beginning students, I am happy to call to your attention a wonderful new reed on the market. Head over to <u>www.innoledy.com/oboe_supp-reeds.html</u> and look for the K.Ge Oboe Reed - Student MEDIUM. For only \$9, this is a wonderfully responsive reed that should be comfortable for even the youngest oboists.

In addition to our upcoming events, watch for an instructional video on the All-State music, and a YouTube series on beginner basics. There may be a few surprise performances by our studio members as well!

While this summer was immensely fulfilling artistically -- I was fortunate enough to perform at Carnegie Hall as a soloist with the "collected stories" festival and with Ensemble ACJW, at the Metropolitan Opera with the American Ballet Theater orchestra, and at the International Double Reed Society Conference (pictured above to the right) -- I am quite excited to be back in Lexington and on the precipice of what is looking to be an amazing year. It is an honor to be a part of the Lexington community!

As always, I welcome your emails and hope to see you at an upcoming event. Feel free to contact me at any time! marchioni.oboe@uky.edu

Watch Dr. Marchioni perform the Bach Double Concerto! <u>http://youtu.be/qAJHMoy3t6s</u>



Upcoming Studio Events:

- Dr. Marchioni's Faculty Recital Thurs. 9/25 7:30pm SCFA Recital Hall
- UK Symphony Orchestra Concert Fri. 9/26 7:30pm SCFA Concert Hall
- UK Opera Theater: Sondheim's *Sweeney Todd* 10/4-10/12 Lexington Opera House
- McCracken Wind Quintet Recital Sat. 10/11 7:30pm SCFA Recital Hall
- UK Symphony Band Wed. 10/15 7:00pm SCFA Concert Hall
- UK Wind Symphony Thurs. 10/16 7:00pm SCFA Concert Hall
- Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet
 Fri. 10/17 7:30pm SCFA Recital Hall
- Masterclasses with the Berlin Phil. Quintet Sat. 10/18 10am-12pm
- Masterclass with Jared Hauser (Vanderbilt Univ.) Tues. 10/28 12:30-2pm FA Room 4
- UK Symphony Orchestra Concert
 Fri. 10/31 7:30pm SCFA Concert Hall
- Dr. Reid Messich (UGA), Guest Artist Recital Mon. 11/17 7:30pm SCFA Concert Hall
- Masterclass with Dr. Reid Messich (UGA) Tues. 11/18 12:30-2pm FA Room 4
- UK Symphony Band and Concert Band Wed. Nov. 19 7:00pm SCFA Concert Hall
- UK Wind Symphony
 - Sun. 11/23 2:00pm SCFA Concert Hall
- UK 2015 High School Honors Wind Ensemble Fri-Sun. 2/13-2/15