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All are welcome.

# Elementary Music Division

## \* 2016-2017 Events \*



**NJSMA Elementary and NJYC** are joining forces to present a jam-packed elementary music workshop on **February 25, 2017!** The Saturday morning workshop will offer several rotating sessions, featuring inspiring clinicians and topics. Location and registration information will be posted soon. Check back on the [njsma.com](http://njsma.com) website!

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North Jersey School Music Association  
Region I of the New Jersey Music Educators Association

### NJSMA Elementary Music Division

Dr. Jason Bishop    Deborah Mello

## ELEMENTARY CHORAL CELEBRATION

**For 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade School Choirs- Tuesday, May 23, 2017**

The NJSMA ELEMENTARY CHORAL CELEBRATION will be hosted by the Drew University Music Department and held at the Drew University Concert Hall, which is 'recognized for its world-class design and sparkling acoustics.' <http://www.drew.edu/concerthall/>. Dr. Jason Bishop, director of Drew University Choral and Vocal studies, and Deborah Mello, Artistic Director of CCSC and Adjunct Professor of Choral Music Education at the Call School of Music at Montclair State University will serve as the clinicians.

**Two sessions are planned: Morning (9:30-11:30 am) and Afternoon (11:30- 2:30 pm.)**

Elementary school choirs will have an opportunity to participate in a non-competitive event and receive feedback from master clinicians. Choirs will perform individually, listen to other elementary choirs, and unite in song at the conclusion of the event. Our goals are to further develop children's musicianship skills, nurture a deeper appreciation of the choral art through performing, listening and communal singing, and foster a life-long love of choral singing. In addition, participating choral directors will have the opportunity to grow professionally and artistically by receiving comments and feedback from master clinicians.

Participation is limited to six elementary school choirs, (3 per session). Registration deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Choral directors wishing to attend the Celebration as observers, rather than as participants are invited to register as an 'auditor.' Registration applications are available on the NJSMA website <http://www.njsma.com> or by emailing: [elementary@njsma.com](mailto:elementary@njsma.com)

Each participating choir will present two songs of choice during their 20 minute time slot. A master clinician will offer a brief clinic to each choir and director following their performance.

A piano and risers will be on stage. The time slot includes getting on and off the risers.

The culminating combined choir piece is: "Music Alone Shall Live," arr. C. Lopez

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Fall Workshop Highlights!

Fall "Sip 'N share"    "Denise Gagne workshop"    "Know the Score"



Congratulations to the NJSMA/Groth Boomwhacker Grant recipients:

**Fran Covalesky: Dover**  
**Rachel Fountain: North Brunswick**  
**Samantha Lestrang: Knowlton**  
**Lee Neamand: New Brunswick**  
**Megan Roy: New Brunswick**  
**Alex Sieira: Newark**  
**Yuko Yamauchi: Passaic**