Weber State University’s Department of Performing Arts “Kindermusik” Program Showcases the Benefits of Music for a ‘Child’s Brain, Body, Heart and Soul’

Children will learn to sing, move, listen, draw pictures with music, play simple instruments and experiment with early ensemble experience.

Ogden, Utah - Aug. 8, 2013 – The Weber State University Department of Performing Arts (WSUDPA) (http://weber.edu/PerformingArts/music.html), combines world-class instruction with opportunities for students to excel in live theater, music and dance. Today, the department announced registration details for the 2013-2014 Kindermusik program, which provides children from ages 3 to 7 with an opportunity to interact with music in new and innovative ways (http://www.weber.edu/pianopreparatory/Kindermusik.html). Registration begins immediately with classes filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

“Kindermusik is a very unique music program designed by early childhood specialists to provide creative, fun and meaningful music-learning experiences for young children at specific ages and development,” said Dr. Yu-Jane Yang, program director and Presidential Distinguished Professor at Weber State University. “Our Kindermusik program encourages and fosters children's development in movement, coordination, language, critical thinking, and social skills through a complete musical experience.”

“Imagine That”, for children ages 3 and 1/2 to 5, and “Kindermusik for the Young Child I”, for children ages 5 to 7, will be offered at the Weber State University Piano Preparatory Program. In these classes, children learn to sing, move, chant, draw pictures with music, play simple instruments, read and write elementary music notation, experiment with early ensemble experience, and listen to music in a meaningful way.

Kindermusik classes can only be taught by licensed Kindermusik teachers who have successfully completed training in teaching the curriculum. Two instructors at the Weber State University Department of Performing Arts Piano Preparatory Program, Dr. Yu-Jane Yang and Gerta Grimci Wiemer have both been certified to serve as Kindermusik instructors at all levels of the curricula. There will be openings for a maximum of 12 students in the “Kindermusik for the Young Child I.” In addition, a maximum of 10 students will be accepted in the “Imagine That” class on a first-come, first-serve basis for the Fall 2013 semester.

For more information please visit: (http://www.weber.edu/pianopreparatory/Kindermusik.html).

About Weber State University’s Department of Performing Arts

The Weber State University Department of Performing Arts is located in the Lindquist College of Arts and Humanities at Weber State University (www.weber.edu/performingarts). The
to excel in live theater, music and dance performances. For more information on the Weber State University Department of Performing Arts, call 801-626-6437 or visit the website at (www.weber.edu/performingarts).

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