GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE
The 2021 Belmont Summer Vocal Arts Intensive is a week-long immersive experience in solo singing in a variety of styles. Students entering grades 9-12 will engage in classes, masterclasses, seminars, and performances with the outstanding artistic faculty at Belmont University. The Summer Vocal Arts Intensive provides a unique opportunity to experience high level artistry in both classical and commercial singing. This non-residential camp takes place on Belmont University’s beautiful campus in downtown Nashville, TN.

COVID STATEMENT AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS
Belmont’s Health Services team remains in close contact with local and state health officials and continues to follow guidance issued by the CDC and the American College Health Association (ACHA). Prior to arriving at camp, all participants should observe CDC safety protocol and avoid situations in which COVID exposure is likely. Upon arrival each day, participants will be asked to answer the following questions:

1. In the last two weeks, did you live or have close contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more) with someone diagnosed with COVID-19?
2. Have you tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 10 days, or are you currently experiencing any of the following:
   a. Fever of 110.4 or higher
   b. Cough
   c. Shortness of Breath
   d. Sore Throat
   e. Body Aches
   f. Vomiting or Diarrhea in the past 24 hours
   g. New loss of taste or smell

If a participant indicates a likely COVID exposure or acknowledges symptoms, the student will be isolated in an identified space on campus, and the designated parent will be contacted for departure.

Additional safety measures include required masks while indoors (masks required outdoors if unable to socially distance), 6 foot minimum spacing between participants at all events, hand sanitizing stations, and frequent breaks to allow room air to cycle. Singers will be allowed to individually remove masks while singing during the masterclass and Honors Recital, and will remain a minimum of 6’ away from other participants and staff.

ELIGIBILITY
The Belmont Summer Vocal Arts Intensive is open to students entering grades 9-12 in the Fall of 2021.

DAILY SCHEDULE
Each day, students will participate in electives, music theory, master classes, and camp-wide seminars. Masterclasses will provide solo vocal lessons in a group setting in the genre for which you applied: classical, commercial, integrative, or musical theatre. Elective classes will offer opportunities to explore a variety of topics related to musicianship, artistry, and more.

The sample daily schedule is as follows:

8:30 Check in
9:00 Elective 1
10:00 Music Theory
10:50 Camp Wide Seminar
11:45 Lunch
12:40 Masterclass
1:25 Elective 2
2:25 Masterclass
MEALS
Lunch each day will be served in the Harrington Place Dining Hall. Any food allergies should be communicated ahead of time through the Medical Information Form. Our Dining Hall can meet a wide variety of dietary needs with advance notice.

MASTERCLASSES
Each student will participate in a Masterclass in the genre for which they applied and were accepted: Classical, Commercial, Integrated (Classical and Commercial), and Musical Theatre. **Students should bring two prepared pieces, with sheet music for an accompanist in the correct key.** Accompanists will be provided during the masterclasses. Students will receive individualized instruction in a group setting on their pieces. From the masterclasses, students will be selected to perform for the camp on the Honors Solo Recital.

- Student choosing the Musical Theatre track are encouraged to select contrasting pieces from the Golden Age and one contemporary piece.
- Original songs are welcome for Integrated or Commercial styles. Please provide at least a complete chord chart for reference by your teacher. If you have questions about your chart, feel free to email the camp director ahead of time for perusal.
- Self-accompaniment on guitar or piano is acceptable, based on the genre of music you are performing, but keep in mind that the faculty will be coaching your vocal performance. Our pianists are eminently skilled and will be a wonderful partner to you during your masterclass.

ELECTIVES
Students will indicate their elective preferences in early June. Every attempt will be made to honor preferences, though some students may end up with their second or third choice. We have an expanded menu of Electives this year, which cover a wide range of topics. We encourage exploration outside the genre of your masterclass, though you are welcome to choose classes supporting your chosen style.

Elective topics include: Vocal Health, Choral Conducting, Acting in Song, Commercial Styles, Improvisation, Songwriting, Crafting and Coaching your Musical Theatre Audition, Artist Development, Dance, and Musicianship for the Commercial Singer. In early June, a form will be emailed to participants to rank their elective choices.

REFUND POLICY
The $100 deposit is non-refundable. Cancellations prior to the first day of camp will incur no additional charge and will receive a full refund (minus the deposit). Cancellations after the first day of camp will receive a refund of half the tuition (minus the deposit); however, no refunds will be granted for cancellations on or after Wednesday.

CAMP REGULATIONS AND BEHAVIORAL POLICIES
- Campers will conduct themselves professionally at all times and will adhere to the rules and regulations of Belmont University.
- Campers are expected to wear appropriate clothing. Shoes are required at all times.
- All campers are expected to respect the rights and property of others. The following are not permitted on campus: fireworks or explosives of any kind, firearms or munitions, pets, refrigerators, cooking equipment, illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, and any other items that could cause bodily harm or damage.
- Smoking is prohibited on campus.
- **Failure to observe guidelines may result in early dismissal from the camp with no refund of tuition and fees.**

COMPUTER ACCESS AND PERSONAL ELECTRONICS
Wireless internet access is available across campus. Belmont University computers will not be available to camp participants. Cellular phones are permitted; however, they are prohibited in all rehearsals and master classes.
WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

MUSICAL NEEDS
● Sheet music for your TWO prepared solo pieces for the Masterclass in the correct key for your accompanist. A second copy for the faculty member is greatly appreciated but not required. Lead sheets (Melody + chords) are acceptable for commercial selections.

CLOTHES
● Casual clothes and shoes for rehearsals, master classes, and instructional time. Please dress appropriately at all times.
● Camp t-shirts will be provided at no additional cost. All campers should bring long jeans to wear with the camp t-shirt to wear on Friday.

MONEY
● Although camp activities are included in the cost of tuition, you may want to bring extra money for incidentals such as snacks, drinks, and souvenirs. The campus bookstore will be open for purchasing school t-shirts or other spirit items.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
Parking is permitted in any of our garages - Curb and Inman/McWhorter Garages are the closest to the music buildings. Parking is also permitted in the visitor lot and in the street parking on West Belmont Blvd.

CHECK-IN TIME
● All campers will check-in in the lobby of Massey Performing Arts Center on Monday morning between 8:15 - 8:45am. Please note that all release forms must be completed before the student may complete registration.
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● Campus Map: http://www.belmont.edu/campusmap/files/campusmap.pdf

MEDICAL CARE
Campers must be able to administer their own prescription medications. Counseling staff will not be responsible for administering medication. Walk-in clinic care is not available on campus during the camp. In the event of mild illness, the camp staff will contact the parent. In the event of severe illness or emergency, a student will be taken to the Vanderbilt Medical Center Emergency Room. All medical charges (emergency room, laboratories, x-ray facilities, etc.) are the responsibility of the parent or guardian. A Medical Information Form should be completed and uploaded or mailed to camp upon registration.

EMERGENCIES
In the event of an emergency, please call the camp office at (615) 460–6024.