

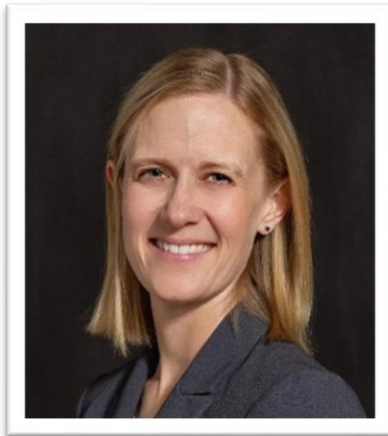


## NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

It's been an incredibly busy month as we've wrapped up end-of-year concerts, senior capstone projects, and final exams. Congratulations to everyone for a job well done! We're ready for a little rest and rejuvenation! In art, we're excited to see curricular revisions and reorganizations go into effect for the fall, including the shifting of the Digital Media Design program into the department. We're also excited to welcome incoming students through Muskie Preview Days this summer and in lessons, ensembles, and classes in the fall. In return, we're proud to welcome our recent graduates in the arts to the Long Magenta Line. We can't wait to see where they go from here! We'll take a break from monthly newsletters during the summer months. Keep up with us on social media for the next few months and we can't wait to share more with you soon!

With warm regards,

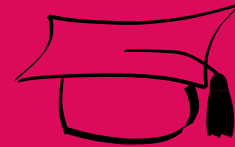
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Chair of Art and Music  
Associate Professor of Musicology



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## GRADUATING SENIORS

Congratulations to our graduating majors! In art: **Rylee Birkhimer** and **Zuri Edmondson**. In music: **Hannah Jordan** and **Jakob Plummer**. In theatre: **Kailyn Shalosky** and **Emma Snide**. In theatre AND art: **Anne Shafer**. We'll miss you on campus but can't wait to see where you go from here!



## ALUMNI UPDATES

*Calling all ARTS alumni! We'd love to hear what you've been up to since leaving Muskingum. Send a brief update to [music@muskingum.edu](mailto:music@muskingum.edu) for inclusion in an upcoming newsletter.*

## COLLABORATIVE PIANIST OPENING

Interested in working for Muskingum? We have an opening for a part-time collaborative pianist! Please help us spread the word! More information and to apply:

[www.muskingum.edu/human-resources/accompanist](http://www.muskingum.edu/human-resources/accompanist)



# ART REVISIONS

We've recently finalized changes to the art and art education majors, effective for all incoming students starting in fall of 2024. These changes allow students to choose from four areas of specialization: 2D, 3D, Digital, and Theatre Art and Design. They also restructure classes to provide more time in studio and combine advanced studio classes into a single cross-media offering. Finally, they remove redundancies in the program and provide new classes that better align with modern ideals.

While it won't substantially change the student experience, we're also excited to welcome the existing Digital Media Design major, led by Prof. Tom German, into the art program. We're looking forward to new emphases on digital design for all art students and exciting collaborations between the different areas of the program!

Keep an eye on the new undergraduate catalog and updates to our website for more details!

# TEACHING AWARD

Congratulations to Prof. Cassie King, Associate Professor of Theatre, for receiving the William Oxley Thompson Award for Excellence in Teaching, named for the transformational former president of the Ohio State University and awarded for consistently superior teaching accomplishments!



# CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to our students in the arts who earned awards at Muskingum's Celebration of Excellence in April! These include Logan Moore (Layton Memorial Scholarship Fund), Amber Bowering (Gleason Memorial Award), Desiré Correa (Agnes Moorehead Scholarship in Theatre), Ellie Kidd and Hannah Phillips (Prout Family Creative Award in Visual Arts), Hannah Jordan (Mary Bartlett Reynolds Award in Music), Heather Dawson and Keeley Carter (Rivingston Vocal Scholarship), and James Lones (Emily Wasserman Music Scholarship). Congratulations also to the Concert Choir for beautiful performances of "God of Wisdom, Truth, and Beauty" and "Al Shlosa D'Varim" by Allen E. Naplan.



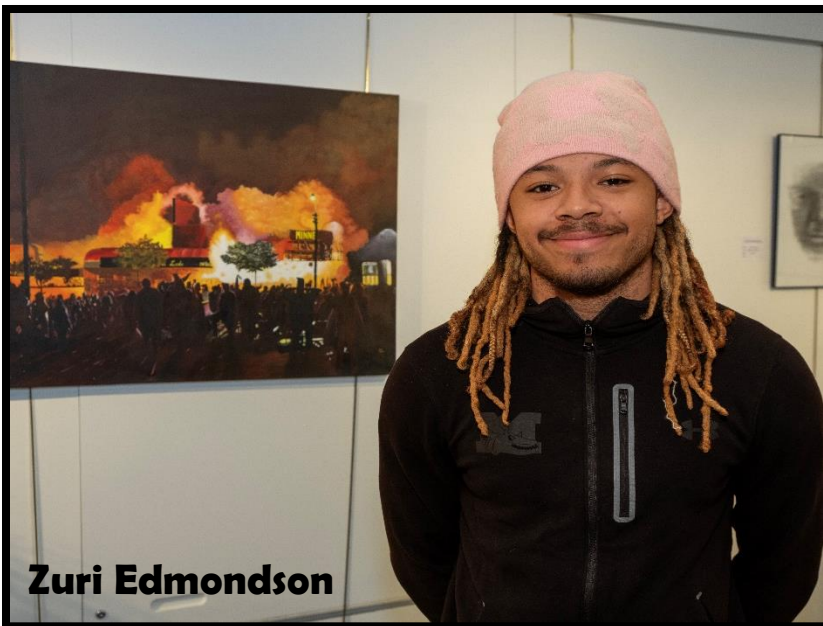
# SENIOR CAPSTONE PROJECTS

Congratulations to senior art majors, Rylee Birkhimer, Zuri Edmondson, and Anne Shafer, for a successful capstone exhibition! Congratulations to senior music majors, Hannah Jordan (voice) and Jakob Plummer (bassoon/composition) for successful senior recitals! Congratulations to senior theatre major, Kailyn Shalosky, for presenting her Overtones project at the James Bradford Colloquium! Congratulations to senior theatre students, Savannah Hurt, Roscoe Ramirez, Anne Shafer, and Emma Snide for successful capstone project presentations in April!

# SENIOR



**Rylee Birkhimer**



**Zuri Edmondson**



**Kailyn Shalosky**



**Roscoe Ramirez, Savannah Hurt,  
Emma Snide, & Anne Shafer**



**Jakob Plummer &  
Hannah Jordan**

# END OF YEAR BBQ

Faculty, staff, and students in the music and theatre programs enjoyed food and fun to celebrate a successful year!



# FAREWELL CAROLINE!



Special thanks to long-time collaborative pianist, Caroline Heading, for her years of service!



# THANK YOU PROF. WISE

Thanks to Prof. Sheryl Wise for speaking to our music majors about her experiences teaching music for 44 years!

# THEATRE AWARDS

Congratulations to theatre students recognized for their work on the spring musical, *Chicago*, through the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF): Roscoe Ramirez (Certificate of Merit for Scene Design), Gracie Campbell (Music Theatre Intensive Nominee), and Amber Bowering, Gracie Campbell, and Alternate Logan Moore (Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship Nominees).



# CLEVELAND ART MUSEUM

Art students joined with the interdisciplinary Arts and Humanities in Western Culture course to travel to the Cleveland Museum of Art!



## END-OF-YEAR PERFORMANCES

The month of April saw a tremendous array of performances by our ensembles and special guests. Of particular note: the Concert Choir was joined by the Cambridge High School choir (directed by Muskingum alumnus Aaron Todd) and Cambridge High School Director of Bands, Zachary Krnach, on oboe for a special concert celebrating musical heritages. The Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra presented a space-themed concert, directed, in part, by current music major and apprentice conductor, Jackie Bradshaw. Finally, Brown Chapel was packed for the inaugural performance by the Muskingum Valley Youth Wind Ensemble, performing together with the Wind Ensemble and the Muskingum Valley Symphonic Winds (in addition to special guest, Prof. Jim Lindroth on vibraphone).

We'll take a few months off from performances for the summer but will start publishing next year's concert schedule on our website and via social media soon; mark your calendars and we look forward to seeing you in the fall!

## HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS

Muskingum hosts two summer camp programs for high school students on campus. Learn more and apply through our department's website: <https://www.muskingum.edu/academics/music>.

Held on campus from June 16-22, the Summer High School Music Theatre CAMP offers an exciting residential opportunity for students in grades 9-12 who want to discover and improve their skills of singing, acting, dancing and performing for the Broadway musical theatre genre!

Held on campus from July 13-20, the Cardinal Chorale Music Workshop prepares an ensemble of singers who have completed their first year of high school through their first year of college to participate in the Cardinal Chorale season. Called "Choral Ambassadors of Hope," their mission is to uplift and inspire one song at a time.

## PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Thinking about attending Muskingum University? We'd love to have you join us! In the arts, we offer inspiring facilities, a contemporary and diverse curriculum, and a welcoming community that meets you where you are and provides opportunities to participate in our programs across the entire campus community. We also offer scholarships for all levels of participation. Learn more online and schedule a time to visit campus and experience our close-knit community for yourself!



# FALL LESSONS, ENSEMBLES, AND CLASSES

Fall registration is continuing! In addition to our usual slate of lessons, ensembles, and classes for majors and minors, the music, theatre, and art departments are offering a wide range of general education classes that fulfill requirements across campus. We can't wait to teach these and look forward to robust discussions stimulated by a range of student experiences. If you or anyone you know will be attending Muskingum in the fall, please enroll or encourage them to enroll in one or more of these classes!

As always, music lessons and ensembles are open to students of all majors! We offer Wind Ensemble, Concert Choir, Musical Theatre Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Spirit Band, Steel Drum Band, String Ensemble, Muskie Rocks, and many more. For more advanced students, we offer three auditioned/semi-professional ensembles: Chamber Singers, Muskingum Valley Symphonic Winds, and the Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra (SEOSO). Enroll today or contact us for more information!



## MUSKINGUM THEATRE SURVEY

Did you participate in theatre at Muskingum? All majors, minors, or participants of Muskingum Theatre are invited to take this short survey to let us know what you are up to these days: <https://forms.office.com/r/cZYkww08K4>.

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