

faculty news and accomplishments

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

SUMMER 2008

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2007-08

James Kim and the **Chamber Choir** appeared as a guest-choir at an International Choral Festival in Korea in November, 2007 and gave a world-premiere performance of Kirke Mechem's *A Suite of Chorus*, a 4-movement work.

Cynthia Vaughn completed the second edition of *The Singing Book* (W.W. Norton), which was released internationally in Spring 2008. Summer travel includes vocal literature workshops in Charlotte, NC and masterclasses and recitals in Urbino Italy, plus invitations next year for masterclasses and group voice pedagogy presentations in Denver, Oklahoma, and New York. She will be premiering new vocal works by composers Lori Laitman and David Wohl. Keeping her roots in Colorado near family, Cynthia is the owner and director of the Magnolia Music Studio in Old Town Fort Collins, opening in August.

Janet Landreth was invited to International Experiencing Villa-Lobos Festival, Richmond, Virginia at VCU as a Guest Presenter and Performer, to Korea in Summer 2008 Recital for a master class and judge, and to Bolivia in Fall 08 for the IV International Latin American Piano Music Festival and Conference.

Peter Sommer performed at the International Association for Jazz Education's International Conference in Toronto, Canada, the North American Saxophone Alliance Biennial Conference in Columbia, South Carolina, and at the Cincinnati Conservatory in Cincinnati, OH. On May 9, he released his second CD as a leader on Capri Records.

Bill Davis received a scholarly activity award from the Midwest Region of the American Music Therapy Association at their conference in Chicago in April. The American Music Therapy Association will publish a 3rd edition of *An Introduction to Music Therapy: Theory and Practice* for which he is an editor and author along with Dr. Michael Thaut.

Michelle Stanley had 8 students in 2006-2007 and 18 students in 2007-2008 in the flute studio. In 2008-2009, there will be 24 high quality students in the studio.

Gary Moody has been invited to perform at the International Double Reed Convention in summer 2008. He will play Haskell Small's *Six Miniatures for Bassoon and Piano* with the composer. They will also perform the piece at the Summer Chamber Series at the Lyceum in Washington DC.

Charles Lawson, Steve McNeal, and Gary Moody each have a chapter in a newly published book *The Woodwind Player's Cookbook*. They are among 57 different woodwind teachers, conductors and performers writing on woodwind playing.

Todd Queen has been invited to sing and give a master class at Orvieto Musica, an art song festival in Rome, a week before he returns to Operafestival di Roma as a faculty member in July 2008. He also had eight students selected to national or international summer programs this year, including Central City Opera, Emerald City Opera, AIMS institute (Graz, Austria), Operafestival di Roma, and Orvieto Musica.

Steven Moore conducted the Kentucky All-State Concert Band in Louisville and presented at the College Band Directors National Association Conference in Kansas City.

Forest Greenough has grown the bass studio to historic numbers, with many of his student playing professional gigs in the Fort Collins, Colorado area.

CSU was asked by the national office of the American Guild of Organists to be one of two sites this summer to host a weeklong workshop for organists, known as a Pipe Organ Encounter +. A \$6,000 grant assisted in bringing internationally known performer/teachers the week of May 18-23 to work with students from across the country.

The Department of Music hosted the Rocky Mountain Contemporary Music festival with guest composer Libby Larsen in November 2007 and brought composer Jay Rees to campus to work and perform with the Wind Ensemble.

The Department of Music also hosted the State Marching Band Championship, State Concert Band Festival, and All-State Choir, events which brought more than 6,000 students to campus.

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