

# ***Garten's Music***

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## **Dedicated students celebrate one-year anniversaries at Wichita Music Academy**



Guitarist Cameron Murray, left, and pianist Roy Beckemeyer reached their one-year anniversaries as students at the Wichita Music Academy!

Both take lessons from Billy Bloomquist. They each will receive a gift certificate to Garten's Music. Congratulations, Cameron and Roy!

**We're excited to announce our new YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/musicianmike>**

**Check out some clips of our students performing at the Spring Student Showcase! We couldn't be more proud of them.**

## **Garten's attends school fun night**



**Congratulations to Brandee Palmer, right, and daughter Dawn!**

The Wichita Music Academy at Garten's Music attended fun night in April at West Elementary in Valley Center.

Garten's sponsored a drawing for gift certificates to the Warren Theatre. The winner was Brandee Palmer of Valley Center, whose daughter, Dawn, is a student at West Elementary.

# Trio travels from Wichita to Omaha

## ► Home Organ Spectacular features workshops, concerts

Cindy Houston, president of Garten's Music, and two Lowrey students recently traveled to Omaha, Neb., for the Lowrey Home Organ Spectacular.

Dennis Awe and various Lowrey artists were on hand to provide concerts and workshops for participants. Sue Maurer and Nancy Wiard joined Houston during the trip in May.



From left: Nancy Wiard, Dennis and Dyanne Awe, Sue Maurer

Maurer said she picked up some tips and enjoyed the Lowrey artists' differing personalities and styles.

"I'd recommend it to someone else," she added. "I enjoyed it. And I think it

was because they had the mix of the workshops and the concerts."

Maurer and Wiard each received a music book that they could use to take notes during the workshops and

then play the music when they returned home.

"It's a nice book and it has good music in it, so that was a good idea," Maurer said. "I really liked it. It was a fun weekend."

## Welcome to new & returning students who signed up for lessons & classes!

Kiana U.  
Aarav R.  
Jim D.

Felicia R.  
Elizabeth H.  
Braedon C.

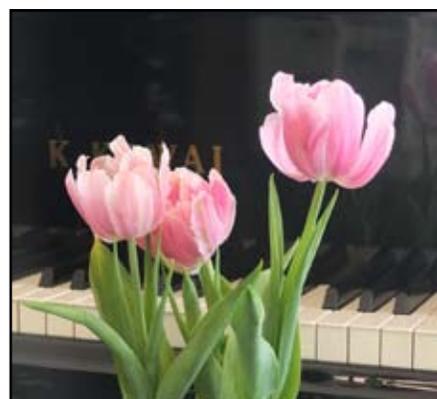
Sarah F.  
Mark R.

Grace F.  
Mallory D.



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The Wichita Music Academy offers piano, keyboard, guitar, bass, voice, ukulele, violin, viola and saxophone lessons. Call today to begin your musical journey!



Thanks to Carole Kindt, whose son takes lessons here, for bringing flowers and treats on May Day!

# Lowrey visitors perform, teach students



Lowrey students enjoy the concert.

Lowrey's Bob Ashworth and Chuck Wright visited Wichita on April 30 and May 1! They were guests at Garten's Music, where they helped our Lowrey students become more familiar with their instruments and other models. Wright also performed a concert for our students at Best Western Wichita North.



Bob Ashworth addresses the crowd.



Lowrey artist Chuck Wright performs.

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## Mark your calendars!

### Upcoming classes and gatherings at Garten's Music:

#### L.I.F.E. in Kansas MusicMakers

Join the club and enjoy making music with us.

– 2 p.m. Friday, June 6

#### PlayTime

is an opportunity for current and former Lowrey students to enjoy listening to and playing for your friends!

– 2 p.m. Friday, June 13

#### Organ Club

includes a Name That Tune game, playing tips, new songbooks and great music!

– 2 p.m. Friday, June 20  
(Theme: Patriotic)

We will be closed Friday, July 4, for **Independence Day**. Have a safe and happy **Fourth of July!**

# Triple the fun: U.S.D. 262 buys 3 pianos



Garten's Music recently delivered three keyboard instruments to the Valley Center school district: a pair of Roland HP504 digital pianos, pictured above, and a Kawai UST-9 piano. We're proud to partner with U.S.D. 262 as it features a standout music program. Congratulations to the Hornet students!



## Music Academy students comment on their progress

"I have really enjoyed learning piano at the Academy. My teachers there have been patient with me, and I do feel that I have learned something new each time I finish a lesson. It has been a great experience and I look forward to learning more." – [Angi](#)

"I am amazed. It seems like everything just fell together so well that we found Garten's Music and the Wichita Music Academy and she was assigned to Glenn (Swindler, teacher). They work so well together. He makes it fun!" – [Sandi](#), writing about her 9-year-old granddaughter

"I know that she really likes coming in and pulling out all of the benches and playing all of the beautiful pianos in the store. This was a wonderful experience for her! I am so thankful to everyone for making us feel so welcomed." – [Elizabeth](#), writing about her 5-year-old daughter

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