



CMS Musical Notes

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CMS in SD Fair's MusicPalooza

Talk Like June

California Music Studios guitar, bass guitar, and drum instructor **Sampson G.**, and his band, **Talk Like June**, were chosen to compete in the 2009 San



Diego County Fair MusicPalooza competition. The band was one of twelve bands chosen out of hundreds of applicants for an opportunity to win a grand prize of \$25,000. He will perform on the Coors Light Rock On Stage at 4:30 PM on Friday, June 19th, from where eight bands will be selected to move onto the next round on June 25th. The final round will be on July 3rd, and from there a winner will be crowned. Sampson has studied guitar extensively with many high level instructors, including the Musicians Institute's Rich Severson. If you plan to attend the fair, please support this talented band. For more information, and to hear a song and watch their music video entry, please go to www.sdfair.com/fair/index.php?fuseaction=concerts.music_contest_bands.

Geanie Jenkins

Geanie Jenkins, CMS vocal student of **Amy A.**, is one of eighteen solo artists chosen from hundreds of entries to compete in the solo division of MusicPalooza at the San Diego County Fair. Geanie began singing at age ten, and sang all through school, including at her high school graduation, but took a break from music when she at-

tended California Baptist University on a softball scholarship. After graduation, Geanie began studying with Amy. Geanie tells us that she feels grateful that she has Amy as an instructor, and that Amy believes in her very much and even looks for auditions and events for her to try out for on her own time. Since starting lessons again, Geanie has sung the National Anthem at the Chargers vs. Chiefs football game on November 9th, 2008, and at the Buick Invitational on February 5th, 2009. She will perform on the Coors Light Rock On Stage at 2:00 PM on Friday, June 19th, from where eight bands will be selected to move onto the next round on June 25th. The final round will be on July 3rd, and from there a winner will be crowned for the grand prize of \$25,000. For more information, to vote for her online, and to hear a song or watch her music video entry, please visit www.sdfair.com/fair/index.php?fuseaction=concerts.music_contest_singers. Geanie also plans to audition for **American Idol Season 9** in July, so watch out for this up-



and-coming talent! We would love to see a **fourth CMS student or teacher make it on the show**—I'm sure most of you are aware of the huge success of our own **Adam Lambert**. Season 8, Adam Lambert, Season 9: Geanie Jenkins!



Spotlight on CMS



California Music Studios owner **Jennifer Paterson** has several students currently performing. On May 16th and 17th, **Alexis Grenier**, a recent graduate of Oberlin Conservatory with a Master of Vocal Performance, sang the soprano solos of Beethoven's Mass in C at Palomar College. **Rachel Davis** appeared in a performance of Sweeney Todd at the Carlsbad Performing Arts Center on May 15th. On June 26th, **Sasha Hashemipour**, currently a fourth-year student at The Manhattan School of Music, will hold a solo recital in Rancho Bernardo.

Michael O., CMS piano instructor and independent record producer & recording engineer, recently completed a new project. The album features **Gorden Cheng** playing Chopin and Schubert, and is available for sale at Lou's Records in Encinitas, or listen and buy online at www.cdbaby.com/cd/gordencheng.



On May 13th, the Girls Against Abuse, a recording project of CMS performance instructor **Jason B.**, performed

an acoustic concert at the M Bar and Restaurant in Hollywood. Among the performers was CMS vocal student **Citlali Alvarado**.



Eric L., California Music Studios piano and violin instructor and world-renowned concert pianist, will host a Master Class at California State University on Monday, September 28th, 2009. Eric has given Master Classes worldwide in both English and French, and this is a rare and special opportunity for the serious pianist. For more information, please feel free to visit www.noteway.com/websites/ericlevan/pages/page1.



CMS Recital Dates



Music Club 2009
San Diego County
October 10, 2009—theme TBA
November 21, 2009—theme TBA
NAMM Museum
5790 Armada Drive
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Formal Summer Recitals 2009:
Orange County
August 22: Teachers A-L
September 26: Teachers M-Z
St. Joseph Center Auditorium
480 South Batavia Street
Orange, CA 92868

Formal Summer Recitals 2009:
San Diego County
August 1st: Teachers A-L
August 15: Teachers M-Z
Ruby Schulman Auditorium
1775 Dove Lane
Carlsbad, CA 92009

* If you would like to participate, please ask your teacher for details.

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