VANDERCOOK COLLEGE OF MUSIC

A YEAR OF GIVING

AUGUST 1, 2017–JULY 31, 2018
Dear Friend of VanderCook,

We have assembled this report to celebrate and honor the many individuals who have supported VanderCook College of Music over the past year. Truly, without such an outpouring of generosity, VanderCook would not be what it is today: A vibrant college alive with music learning every day, all year round. It is made possible because of the generosity of everyone listed in this booklet.

Every individual listed herein made a meaningful difference to the quality of music education offered at VanderCook. Some contributed to the ongoing capital campaign, moving us a few steps forward in our quest to meet the $2.5M challenge made to us by Dr. Keith Mardak of the Hal Leonard Corporation. Completing this project will be a dream come true for our students and alumni. Others supported a scholarship, donated an auction item to an event or purchased a ticket to the Pops concert. Some spent an afternoon golfing for VanderCook while others, like Chuck Sommers, proud dad of one of our students, or alumna Lauren Erickson, ran in the Chicago Marathon and collected pledges in support of the college. Everyone helped in their own way, and it’s amazing what a difference it made.

On behalf of the trustees, faculty, staff and students of the college, a hearty thank you to each and every person who gave. VanderCook’s mission of music education is as noble today as it was 109 years ago when the college was founded. All of us at the college are humbled by the realization that it is through the generosity of those who care deeply about the legacy of the college that it is sustained today. With your support, we will be able to pass this wonderful institution on for many generations to come.

Thank you from all of us.

Roseanne K. Rosenthal, Ed.D.
President
VanderCook’s Meet the Challenge campaign will complete the renovation of an original Mies van der Rohe building into the first performing arts and music education center in the Bronzeville/Bridgeport area in decades. Once completed, VanderCook will be able to provide thousands of children, students and music teachers with a modern, technology-infused, acoustically satisfying space in which to learn, grow and perform. Our students – the music teachers of tomorrow – deserve nothing less.

As we begin the next phase, we hope you are just as excited about this unprecedented opportunity to continue growing VanderCook’s legacy and influence.

3125 South Federal is an exciting building to redevelop. Converting a space offers opportunities for unique and elegant design features, and 3125 has no shortage of such opportunities. Train tracks not only add charm and style to the space, but also tell of the building’s past as a train repair house. The building’s stained glass window wall, industrial beams and grand ceiling height make it easy to see why 3125 is the perfect space to meld old and new, with graceful nods to the foundational past and an exciting forward momentum to our future.
WHO WE ARE

CURRENT STUDENTS

We are students, teachers, musicians and leaders at every stage of career development. This map illustrates the hometowns of the approximately 1,400 students who enrolled in a degree program or took a class through the MECA Continuing Education program in the 2017-18 academic year.

ALUMNI WORKING IN EVERY STATE IN THE U.S.

Every dot on this map represents a person who earned a bachelor’s or master’s degree from VanderCook.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our Board of Trustees is a fundamental part of what is accomplished here at VanderCook. We thank them deeply for the time and effort they put into helping further the college’s goals.

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THE DR. GEORGE A. QUINLAN SR. CONCERT SERIES

INAUGURAL SEASON | SPONSORED BY THE YAMAHA CORPORATION

Some musicians may know of Dr. George A. Quinlan Sr. (1922-2013) as one of the emerging leaders in Chicago’s instrumental music education community through the 20th century. Others may know the name because of his musical artistry as a trumpet player. Many know the name because of Quinlan & Fabish Music Company, his entrepreneurial brain child. Everyone whoever met or heard about George A. Quinlan Sr. knew that he was devoted to music education and would do all that he was capable of doing to assure that he could put a musical instrument into the hands of every child who wanted to play. He believed in the transformative power of music education.

That same spirit is shared by the Yamaha Corporation, which is sponsoring the Dr. George A. Quinlan Sr. Concert Series at VanderCook. Yamaha aspires to be the #1 leader in support of music education and VanderCook aspires to be the #1 leader in the education of music teachers, present and future. We are immensely grateful to the Yamaha Corporation for sponsoring an eminent artist every fall and spring to present a workshop and concert at VanderCook in honor of the incredible legacy of Dr. George A. Quinlan Sr.

BOSTON BRASS - OCTOBER 26, 2017

Jeff Conner, Trumpet  
Jose Sibaja, Trumpet  
Chris Castellanos, Horn  
Domingo Pagliuca, Trombone  
Sam Pilafian, Tuba

JEFF RUPERT - MAY 3, 2018

Yamaha Artist, Jeff Rupert
Ludwig Mies van der Rohe (1886-1969) is widely regarded as one of the greatest architects of the 20th century.

"By emphasizing open space and revealing the industrial materials used in construction, he helped define modern architecture. Born in Aachen, Germany, Mies spent the first half of his career in his native country. Mies quickly became a leading figure in the avant-garde life of Berlin and was widely respected in Europe for his innovative structures, including the Barcelona Pavilion." - Mies Society

In 1938, Mies moved from Germany to America, and found his career in Chicago as the director of Illinois Institute of Technology's architectural program, a position he would hold until 1958. In 1940, Mies was commissioned to design IIT’s campus when the Armour Institute and Lewis Institute merged to form the school. This would prove to be one of Mies' greatest works, as the campus is regularly recognized as being among the most important works in American architecture.

There is, then, a sense of meaningful parallelism between VanderCook and IIT and their mutual relationship with Mies van der Rohe in that there is a shared historical richness. VanderCook has remained a constant force of excellent music education throughout most of the 20th century, since its inception in 1909. It is fitting that VanderCook would have its first performance space in a building that has also travelled through the 20th century.

"VanderCook is the leader in the preparation of music teachers," said Mardak. “And that allows my gift to go where it will do the most good. Over the years, my work at the Hal Leonard Corporation has been widely supported by those in music education, and I want to help music education continue to flourish,” he said. “Hal Leonard has been, and still is, the leading publisher in the educational music market, and through this gift, I want to give back and say, ‘thank you.’"

Dr. Keith Mardak's generosity towards VanderCook reached an unprecedented level when he gave former president Dr. Charles T. Menghini a $2.5M pledge challenge: If VanderCook raised $2.5M, he would match it, dollar for dollar. Today, the Hal Leonard catalog consists of more than 200,000 publications, covering a broad spectrum of printed music in all styles and levels, from beginner to professional.

In 2017, Dr. Mardak’s generosity towards VanderCook reached an unprecedented level when he gave former president Dr. Charles T. Menghini a $2.5M pledge challenge: If VanderCook raised $2.5M, he would match it, dollar for dollar.
In November 2017, Keith Mardak, Chairman and CEO of the Hal Leonard Corporation, made a $2.5M pledge to VanderCook to support the renovation of an iconic building designed by Mies van der Rohe on the Illinois Institute of Technology campus. This renovation is the second phase of the college’s capital campaign, Meet the Challenge. At the present time, the space includes the beautiful Dr. George A. Quinlan Sr. Recital Hall, and numerous practice rooms and rehearsal spaces. As of July 31, 2018, the following individuals have made a contribution to Phase II of Meet the Challenge. When completed, the performance hall will be the first in the college’s 109-year history.

$2.5 Million
Keith Mardak

$250,000 and more
Hal Leonard Corporation
Quinlan Family
George Quinlan Jr.
Quinlan & Fabish Music Co.
Cheryl Quinlan

$100,000–249,000
Dr. Mead Killion

The MacArthur Foundation
(David Chernoff)
David Mann
Cindy Quinlan
Frank Tsamoutales

$5,000–9,999
Raymond Spaeth
Dr. Robert & Nancy Spetzler
Nike Whitcomb

$2,500–4,999
David Chernoff
Chinatown Parking Corp.
(Raymond Lee)
Fidelity Charitable
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

$1,000–2,499
Joseph & Catherine Asher
City Club of Chicago
Kirk Graves
Michael Heneghan
Dr. Yu-Sui Hung & Mr. Khan Lowe
Denny Senseney

Mary Vandenberg
$500–999
Kristi Adams
John Armato
Bank of America Charitable Foundation
Ronald Christoph
Kaye Clements
Sharon Keehn
Karl Maurer
Music for All, Inc.
Nancy Sabaj
Katherine Schultz

$250–499
Anne Gallery
Steven Hansen
Peter Pappas
Stan Schoonover

$100–249
James Barnard
Stephanie (Wallace) Becher
Nadine Boyd
Debra Brubeck
Every year, funds from the Great Teachers Scholarship Fund are awarded to talented young high school students with a passion for music and teaching who want to attend VanderCook. In numerous instances, a scholarship from this fund has made the difference in determining whether or not a student will attend VanderCook. Generous donors either give directly to the pooled fund or to a named scholarship.

$25,000 and more
The Estate of Guy Foreman in support of the Guy Foreman Memorial Scholarship

$10,000–$24,999
Keith Mardak in support of the Keith Mardak Scholarship
The Lagunitas Brewing Co. in support of the William Carroll Memorial Scholarship
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal in support of the Maurice T. & Ruth A. Rhodes Scholarship for Wind Players

$5,000–9,999
Mark & Dawn Deaton in support of the Maurice T. & Ruth A. Rhodes Scholarship for Wind Players
$1,000–4,999
Carolyn Berghoff
Fidelity Charitable
Fidelity Charitable
in support of the Lorraine
Quinlan Scholarship
Stephen Gilmore
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Scholarship
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David Mann
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Cheryl Quinlan
Doris Smith
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Foundation in support of
the Keith Mardak
Scholarship

$500–999
David Chernoff
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in support of the Kaye L.
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Kim Coughlin
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Lepper Scholarship
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Kevin Lepper
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$250–499
John Armato in support of
the Eddy & Patty Oyer
Scholarship
Patrick Benson in support
of the Kevin Lepper
Scholarship
Margaret Benson
Charles Emmons
Lonnie Haynes
Mark Jones in support
of the Kaye L. Clements
Flute Scholarship
Laurence Neeb
Art Pahr
Donna Palmer
George Pierard
Elinore Quander
Dr. Robert L. Sinclair
Robert Vezzetti
Mary Yakas

$100–249
Duffie Adelson
Georgia Alemis
in support of the Merle
Isaac String Scholarship
Jonathan Ball
Scott Barth
Michael Brehmer
Charlene Curtis
Dr. Michael Davis in
support of the Alumni
Association Scholarship
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Dixie Detgen in support of
the Armond & Ann
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Peter Eisenberg
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the Victor Zajec
Memorial Scholarship
Cleophas Fulton
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Barry Kritzberg
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Memorial Scholarship
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the Richard Brittain
Memorial Scholarship
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Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal
Scott Sasse in support of
the Lew & Gerry Schmidt
Scholarship
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Scholarship
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Scholarship
Sarah Spradley in support of
the Victor Zajec
Memorial Scholarship
Joseph Antonelli in support
of the Richard Brittain
Memorial Scholarship
Jillian Bacon
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Bass Memorial
Scholarship
Jordie Bartlett
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Garold Flach
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Sylvia Sinclair
Samuel Slaman
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Beray Thigpen
Ronald Wellander
Rachel White
Stephanie William
Daniel Wilson
Samuel Wilson

$99 and Under
Michelle Anderson
Anonymous
Gifts to the Share Your Passion campaign cover the operational costs of delivering outstanding music teacher education to the present and future music teachers enrolled at VanderCook College of Music. These gifts make day-to-day life at the college a reality.

$5,000–9,999
Rudolph Boone
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

$1,000–4,999
Peter Berghoff
Bugles Across America, NFP (Tom Day) in support of Constitution Day
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Jon Harris (Harris-Teller, Inc.)
The MacArthur Foundation
Rick Maurer
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$500–999
Cathy DeLanoy
Karl Maurer

$250–499
James Adelman
John Armato
David Chernoff
Fidelity Charitable
Peter Pappas

Ray Phillips

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Dr. Robert L. Sinclair
Randall Szostek
Rachel White
Over 140 people attended A Night at the Pops on April 7, 2018 in support of the campaign to Meet the Challenge.

$2,500 and more
Lakeside Bank
(Stan Bochnowski)
Ruth Rhodes

$1,000–2,499
Michelle Anderson
Allan Burke
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Liz Dunne
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Andrew Rosenthal
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Pamela Traversa
Stanislaw & Halina Urbaniak

$250–499
Patrick Benson
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Angela Vonderohe
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Alice Belmont
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Monica Soto
Denisse Stanbery
Cheryl Suwardi
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La Bonney Taylor
Thomas Wegesin
Donna Wirth
Every year, VanderCook’s Board of Trustees sponsors a golf outing, held at the Links at Carillon in Plainfield, IL. This year all proceeds from the event were earmarked to Meet the Challenge.

$2,500 and more
Anonymous
Eastman Music Company (Qian Ni and Saul Friedgood)
Frank Tsamoutales

$1,000—2,499
Concord Marketing Solutions (Kirk Graves)
Brian Hill
Herman Knoll
Lakeside Bank (Stan Bochnowski)
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

$500—999
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$250—499
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$100—249
Brandon Crawford
J. William Gross
Larry Henry
Ron Jania

Corinne McCoy
Michael Munley
Dan Norton
Ted Piechocinski
Rocky Pintozzi
Rob Scott
Michael Teolis

$99 and Under
The Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Inc.
Jami Brighty
David Crowell
Chris Dolson
David Eccles
Brandon Estes
Michael Fogarty
Adam Hill
Christopher Manley
William Martino
Karl Maurer
David Vanderbroek

Fun Fact: VanderCook ranked in the Top 5 of Music School Central’s Best Hidden Gem Music Schools.

June 14, 2018
Maury Rhodes was a graduate of VanderCook College of Music, husband of esteemed faculty member Ruth Rhodes, and employee of Quinlan & Fabish Music Company. Trustee George Quinlan established this annual golf outing in his honor. All proceeds support either the Maury Rhodes Band & Orchestra Library, or, most recently, the campaign to Meet the Challenge.

$1,000 and more
Anonymous
Peter Berghoff

$250–999
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American Way Marketing
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Sabian
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(Paul Alton)
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VanderCook Alumni Association
West Music Company, Inc.
West Suburban Bank (Mike Abbatacola)
Yamaha Corporation of America (Chris Dolson)
Zeigler Auto Group

$100–249
Kevin Meehan

$99 and Under
Gerald Brown
Chris Dolson
Herman Knoll
Douglas McElhaney
Madaline Meyers
David Pope

Fun Fact: VanderCook was ranked #3 for the Best Music Teacher Education College in Illinois by University.com
Many thanks to those who ran the 2017 Bank of America Marathon on behalf of VanderCook, and the donors who supported them.

**Runners**
- Matt Anderson
- Melissa Anderson
- Lauren Erickson
- Joe Keppel
- Erin Loescher
- Stephanie Lopez
- Chuck Sommers
- Brittany & David Wedeking

**$250–499**
- Joe Keppel
- Erin Loescher
- Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal
- Brittany Wedeking

**$100–250**
- Chicago Event Management, Inc.
- Brian Logan
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- Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

**$100–249**
- Anonymous
- Elizabeth Direnzo
- McKenna Metcalf
- Sarah Porretta
- Michael Powers
- Navneet Singh
- Susan Sulkowski
- Rhea Trezise

**$99 and Under**
- Michelle Anderson
- David Boehler
- Brandon Boyle

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Many thanks to those who ran through the streets of Chicago celebrating the arrival of spring 2018 while running for VanderCook. They raised over $800 from the donors listed below.

**Runners**
- Erica Anderson
- Michelle Anderson
- Josh Breen
- Kevin Boyle

**$100–250**
- Chicago Event Management, Inc.
- Brian Logan
- Laurie Reinersten
- Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

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- Laurie Reinersten
- Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal

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- Michelle Anderson
- David Boehler
- Brandon Boyle

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**Runners**
- Kevin Boyle
- Marianne Boyle
- Dr. Bonnie Campbell
- Rob DeLand
- Michael Frazier
- Cindy Hides
- Vicki Jones
- Stacey Larson Dolan
- Rick Malik
- Gregor Meyer
- Barbara Munsell
- Kristi Reynolds
- Eric Sauerman
- Monica Soto
- Robyn Watt
- Rachel White

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**Runners**
- York Chan
- Jerry Cooper
- Neil Couturier
- Shannon Daddeazio
- Rob DeLand
- Jennifer Dierolf
- Amy Dinkenburg
- Christina Dippold
- Lisa Dretske
- Wayde Fong
- Dave Friederich
- Ksenia Gorinshteyn
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- Dr. Michael Hall
- Kristen Hanna (Kudert)
- Benjamin Hawley
- Dion Heintz
- Stacy Jovanoski
- Meredith Katsu
- Dan Koch
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- Bailey Martin
- Sara McCaffrey
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- Maria Navarrete
- Mark Neault
- Karen Payne
- Courtney Quinn
- William Rowland
By providing high quality musical instruments and expert instruction to underserved students in grades 5-8, One City strives to A) expand educational access for children and families from the Bronzeville and Englewood neighborhoods on Chicago’s south side; B) build stronger connections between VanderCook College of Music and the surrounding communities; C) keep the rich musical heritage of Bronzeville alive, where the likes of Louis Armstrong, Nat “King” Cole, Mahalia Jackson and Muddy Waters once lived and performed; and D) provide valuable teaching experience under master teaching mentors to collegiate-level music education students at VanderCook College of Music. We thank all donors listed below for their generosity and support.

$10,000 and more
Anthony Magee

$2,500–4,999
Rebecca Little

$1,000–2,499
Anonymous
Bob Rogers Travel (Todd Rogers)
The Boeing Company
Drew Dammeier
Mark & Dawn Deaton
Grant Dixon
The Lagunitas Brewing Co.
Eleanor Logan
Joon Oh
Todd Rogers

$500–999
Allan Burke
Liz Dunne
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal
Vicki Schauer
Nancy Schuman
Louis Alb
Patrick Benson
Natalie Birk
John Huston
David Just
Diana Liu
Brian Logan
Laura Moninski
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Sarah Dietzel
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Dr. Raymond Kruper
Frank Lestina
Kimberly Lichtenberger
Joseph & Marcia Liss
Michael Malek
Karl Maurer
Michael Moninski
John Newman
Timothy Piatek
Betty Quigley
Quinlan & Fabish Music Co. (George Quinlan Jr.)
$99 and Under
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Michelle Anderson
David Andrews
Togai & SohYoon Atac
Rus BassEhler
Peter Berghoff
Kevin Binkley
Frank Blackman
Christine Boye
Joseph Cacchione
Leo Castillo
Kristopher Chandler
Giovanni Clarke
Austin Cooper
Chelsie Coren
Jennifer Cortese
Travis Cuckler
Ryan Cull
Michael Curran
John de Koker
Alexis Dixon

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Thank you to the graduating class for raising $5,509.43 in support of VanderCook's One City Music Program, which now serves 40 fifth and sixth grade students every Saturday morning at VanderCook.

$1,000 and more
Anonymous
VanderCook Alumni Association

$250–499
Michael Goldberg
Connie Kent
Dr. Roseanne Rosenthal
Jonathan Wittig

$100–249
Peg Armstrong-Gustafson
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Eric Elker
Lisa Fredenburg
James Gornick
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Caitlin Grubbe
Daniel Hammond
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Ryan Henry

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Gregg Meyer
Guillermina Morales
Frank Moy
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Neha Myers
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Amanda Schrader

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Brian Smith
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Cultivate and sustain a vibrant and welcoming educational community at VanderCook.

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Establish VanderCook as the music education school of choice.

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Attract, inspire and retain faculty, staff, administrators and trustees who embrace VanderCook’s vision and values by being a catalyst for creativity, leadership, collaboration and lifelong professional development.

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Enhance VanderCook’s sustainability through financial discipline, strategic planning, prudent investments, cultivation of major grants and donors, and effective stewardship of the college’s reputation and resources.

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THE MIDWEST CLINIC

VANDERCOOK COLLEGE OF MUSIC’S SYMPHONIC BAND AT THE MIDWEST CLINIC IS A 72-YEAR-OLD TRADITION

Having co-founded the Midwest Clinic in 1946, VanderCook is the only institution that has been invited to perform every year. “For a lot of directors, it’s not Christmas without Midwest,” says VanderCook’s Undergraduate Dean, Stacey Larson Dolan. Dolan has conducted the college’s band every year since 2004, and has personally attended every clinic since 1992.

Guest conductors of the VanderCook band reads like a Who’s Who of the band world. Forrest L. Buchtel conducted the band at Midwest 18 times over the course of his relationship with the college. Paul Yoder and Victor Zajec each conducted 17 times, while VanderCook co-founder H.E. Nutt conducted 13 times. Composers Lucien Cailliet and Alfred Reed both conducted 11 times each, often conducting their own compositions. Reed, in fact, composed “Viva Musica” for the VanderCook band, which they premiered with Reed conducting at the 1983 clinic. The record-holder is VanderCook’s President Emeritus Dr. Charles Menghini, who led the band at 22 clinics.

Other esteemed composers and conductors have led the VanderCook band at Midwest, including Frederick Fennell, Vaclav Nelhybel, Harry Begian, Merle Isaac, H. Robert Reynolds, Thomas Fabish, Toshio Akiyama, William Owens, Eric Whitacre, William Revelli, Gary Green, Richard Brittian, Craig Kirchoff, Allan McMurray, Frank Ticheli, Brian Balmages and Johan de Meij.

H.E. Nutt was a pivotal figure for both organizations. He not only co-founded the college together with Hale A. VanderCook, but also organized the first gathering that would become the Midwest Clinic with Neil A. Kjos and Howard Lyons. In addition to conducting the VanderCook band, Nutt had presented 46 clinics during his lifetime.

The VanderCook band has also welcomed a number of performing artists as guest soloists at the clinic, including jazz drummer Louis Bellson, trumpeter and bandleader Doc Severinsen, saxophonist Sigurd Rascher, trombonist Alan Raph, flautists Julian Baker and Jim Walker, clarinetist John Bruce Yeh, trumpeter Allen Vizzutti, and the Boston Brass ensemble.

VanderCook students also work during the clinic as stage hands and ushers, a tradition that has endured since the first Midwest Clinic in 1946. They have earned the nickname “the Blue Vests” for their distinctive uniforms, and the experience they get is “incomparable,” according to Dolan. “They get a first-hand behind-the-scenes view of the largest convention in Chicago.”

Performances by the VanderCook band have been a highlight of the clinic for many attendees, and even within the college there are numerous moments that stand out above the rest. Freddy Martin conducted Vivaldi’s Concerto in B-Flat in 2006, with his sons Christopher (now principal trumpeter of the New York Philharmonic) and Michael (now with the Boston Symphony Orchestra) both guesting on trumpet. In 2009, Frank Ticheli conducted his piece Angels in the Architecture with VanderCook vocal instructor Angela Presutti Korbitz soloing, a performance that left many audience members moved to tears.

For Dolan, the memory that stands out most is when H. Robert Reynolds rehearsed with the band in 2015. “He just ignited on the podium,” she recalls. “He became a 24-year-old in front of our eyes. Everyone in the ensemble felt it. It was a study in conducting in 30 minutes.”

Text by Gregor Meyer