Blue Sage
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

NORTH FORK MUSIC LEGACY PROJECT

A MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
FOR YOUTH IN THE NORTH FORK VALLEY

About the Project

In honor of the good work of Cocker Kids Foundation and in memory of the legendary musician and former North Fork resident Joe Cocker, The Blue Sage is launching a new youth program: the North Fork Music Legacy Fund. The goal is to create opportunities for area youth in music education by providing instruments and instruction to kids who cannot afford to pursue their interest or talent in music.

The Cocker Kids' Foundation

The Cocker Kids' Foundation, started by Pam and Joe Cocker, was a community supported foundation dedicated to supporting and aiding area youth and contributed over $1 million to youth-related programs and children of the North Fork Valley. Sean Barna and The Blue Sage Center for the Arts in Paonia along with Gibson Guitars and several local sponsors are working to continue their legacy and build a program that will serve area youth in developing their musical talents.

How it works:

The Blue Sage Center for the Arts provides need-based tuition assistance and instruments for music lessons from ages 7 to 18. The North Fork Music Legacy scholarship program is open to new and returning families and individuals.

Scholarships are based on multiple factors: financial need, your interest in music, funds available, instructor availability, and the return of the application in a timely manner.

How to get involved:

1. FIll out a program application
2. Choose your teacher, or check out our teacher list
3. We can provide an instrument to play
4. We cover a portion of your lessons based on need

Instrument Library

D'Angelico
Premier Gramercy
Acoustic Guitar

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Walden
G570CE
Acoustic Guitar

Breedlove Pursuit
WX Concert TE TC
Acoustic Guitar

Seagull
ASE01A
Acoustic Guitar

Harmony
H1270 12-String
Acoustic Guitar

Epiphone
Casino Worn
Electric Guitar

Epiphone
Modern Les Paul
Electric Guitar

Gibson
Flying V
Electric Guitar

Gibson
Les Paul
Electric Guitar

Instrument Library

Electric Bass

Kramer
Disciple D-1
Electric Bass

Epiphone
Banjo

Vega v-242
Banjo

Kay U10
Ukulele

Clarinet

Cremona
5V-150
Violin

FE Olds and Son
Ambassador
Trumpet

Additional Instruments and Accessories:

Mesa Boogie Amplifier
Crate Amplifier
Johnson Amplifier
Instrument Cables
Effects Pedals
Tambourine

North Fork Music Teachers

DAVID ALDERDICE

970-872-4238 (home phone/landline, no text)
david@embodyingrhythm.com

Instruments Played/Taught:

- Rhythm and percussion
- Drums, handdrums, marimba, snare drum
- Rhythm theory
- Beginning Piano

Experience: David has been playing and performing music for almost 30 years and has been an active, passionate, sought after music educator for over 20 years. David meets his students at their skill level with patience, wisdom and support while guiding them to their musical goals.

Rate: $70/hr at Embodying Rhythm studio in Hotchkiss
$80/hr for housecalls or other locations in NFV

JON HICKAM

970-210-4273
jon.hickam@gmail.com

Instruments Played/Taught:

- Acoustic Guitar (bluegrass, folk, slide, swing, country)
- Electric guitar (Power chords / grunge / punk)
- Mandolin
- 5 – string banjo
- Group dynamics / band arranging / etc

Experience: Volunteer teacher at schools and bluegrass festivals

Rate: $30/hr

North Fork Music Teachers

JOHN WHOOLEY

970-210-3068
johnpatrickwhooley@gmail.com

Instruments Played/Taught:

- Saxophone
- Flute
- Clarinet
- Keyboards
- Guitar
- Bass
- Drums
- Percussion
- Vocals

Experience: Long time professional vocalist, multi-instrumentalist, musical director,and recording engineer. Been teaching both in the private and group setting for 25 years.

Rate: $50 per 45min lesson

TONY PETERS

970-527-6505
tonypeters711@gmail.com

Instruments Played/Taught:

- Guitar (all styles)
- Piano (beginner to intermediate)
- Alto and Tenor Saxophones
- Trumpet

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- Trombone
- Clarinet
- Flute (beginner only)
- Bass Guitar

Experience: Tony began teaching guitar to his friends in high school at about age 17. He got his bachelor of Music degree from Indiana State University majoring in music performance, theory and composition in 1980. He worked as a freelance jazz trombonist in Indianapolis, Indiana for a number of years before moving to New Mexico in 1987. Soon after moving to Paonia in 2000, Tony began teaching guitar, piano and trumpet to students in the North Fork Valley mainly through the Vision Program. In 2013 Tony was asked to teach band classes at the NF Montessori School. He continues to do that as well as teaching private lessons. Tony also has enjoyed playing in many local bands and has taught hundreds of North Fork Valley students over the years and looks forward to assisting in the musical development of valley residents in the coming years. He teaches all ages on guitar and piano and ages 11 and up on wind instruments.

Rate: $25/half hour or $50/hour

Availability: Mondays 9 - 5, Wednesdays 9 - 7:30

DAVID SNIDER
914-715-5588
redinsevad@yahoo.com

Instruments Played/Taught:
- Guitar (all styles)
    - Electric

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  - Acoustic
  - Nylon
  - 12-String
  - Slide
- Electric Bass (4 & 5-string)
- Piano
- Synthesizer
- Drums and Percussion
- Ukulele
- Recording (analog & digital)

Experience: Teaching for 50 years in New York, California, and Colorado, in Dana Point, CA at Danman's School and various other places.

Availability: Varies, 10am - 6pm

Rate: $75/hour

To apply, return the follwing form to:

Email:
director@bluesage.org
Subject: Music Legacy Application – Student's name

OR

Mail to:
Blue Sage Center for the Arts
Attn: Ali Lightfoot
PO Box 700
Paonia, CO 81428

Apply online here:

Program Application

This application can be submitted at any time. All information will be kept confidential. Incomplete Scholarship Applications will not be considered. Please call the Executive Director at 970-527-7243 if you have any questions regarding your application.

Contact Information:

First Name: Last Name:

Student's Full Name (if different from above):

Student's Date of Birth:

Phone:

Email Address:

Street Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

Lesson Information:

Name of your teacher (see attached list of teachers to contact):

Phone number and email address for your teacher:

When are you taking your lessons?

Application Questions:

Students, please complete the following questions to the best of your ability. Parents and teachers may help students complete this section.

1. Why do you want to take music lessons?

2. What is your experience with making music so far?

3. What instrument do you want to play?

4. **Parents/Guardians**, choose a category of annual family income to determine scholarship level (circle one):

- **0-60k – 90% off**
- **61-80k – 80% off**
- **81-100k – 60% off**
- **100k & up** – No scholarship for lessons, but instrument check out and space for lessons can be available at no cost.

Payments from the North Fork Music Legacy fund for lessons will go directly to your teacher at a specified date each month. The remainder of your balance will be paid directly to your teacher by your family as arranged.