

# MusicWorks® *The Delaware Valley's Premier Music Therapy Service Provider*

## Rising Star of the Month



James has been involved in MusicWorks since July and he has been excelling ever since. James is extremely kind, social and hilarious! He loves to make jokes with his peers, Ms. Emily and his parents. James has a wonderful ear for music and he shows this in each session. He loves to sing songs from Hamilton, as well as his ABCs (sometimes even backwards!) and the Hello and Goodbye songs. James enjoys playing the piano and has even taught himself how to play the Goodbye song completely on his own! James brings a positive energy to each session and we love making music with him!

**Emily Byrnes, MT-BC**  
**Music Therapist**

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We are grateful for these donations which fund our school-based music therapy program, MusicWorks Wonders, in autistic support, emotional support and multi-disabilities support classrooms!

**Lori O'Leary, MBA**  
**Executive Director**



## Music Therapy Tip: Gathering Drum

The gathering drum is the largest drum at MusicWorks and one of the most popular instruments used in music therapy sessions. The gathering drum is used in group activities for clients to watch, listen, take turns, and copy the rhythms played by the music therapist. One of the client's favorite things to do with the drum is to make a percussion egg jump from the drumhead. Everyone takes a turn



to make the egg "jump". This creates a great deal of laughter while increasing camaraderie and social interaction. The clients pass the percussion egg to one another, sharing and taking turns. The task helps to teach self-control, socialization skills and self-confidence. The clients encourage and cheer one another on during the activity. They try to make the egg go as high as possible up to the ceiling. This music therapy activity is requested quite often and the clients have a great deal of fun making music in an amusing and interactive way

**Schuyler Redden, MT-BC**  
**Music Therapist**

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## Music Therapy in the News

Learn more about music therapy and how it can help people not only regain their ability to speak like Congresswoman Gabby Giffords, but also stimulate elderly clients with Alzheimer's and dementia through the use of neurologic music therapy (NMT).

Read the story of a local music therapist who offers NMT to residents of Paul's Run in Northeast Philadelphia.



[Read the article here!](#)

**Jacob Mauersberg, MT-BC**  
**Music Therapist**

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## Thank You ..... to Parents and Caregivers



Thank you to all the parents and caregivers, who come to MusicWorks weekly, participate in sessions, see the success of their loved ones and those that they serve.

Thank you for believing in the Power of Music Therapy and watching the progress each client makes in our treatment centers.

**From the team at MusicWorks**

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## Upcoming Events

Look for our  
**MUSICWORKS COMEDY  
NIGHT FUNDRAISER**

January 25, 2020, Doors open 7:30 pm  
Show 8:30 to 10:30 pm  
Timothy's Lionville, Exton, PA  
Tickets only \$20/person

[BUY TICKETS HERE](#)



Last year's event was SOLD OUT!

### SAVE THE DATE

MusicWorks Annual Event at  
DiFabio's in Springfield, PA  
March 28, 2020  
7 pm to 11 pm

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