

SMC Program

Theme of Performance: Summertime

Introduction: Shana L., I play piano, viola, and violin. I love playing because it allows me to express my creative side and it's so fun to play with other musicians. I enjoy performing because it makes the listeners happy. I've been taking piano lessons for 14 years, violin for 11 years, and viola for 4 years. I'm a sophomore in college majoring in neuroscience and minoring in chemistry and piano performance. I'm premed and hope to become a physician that works in the field of neurology. I joined SMC because I love playing for patients and retirees and it is a gift to be able to share my music with as many people as possible. Music is such a great way to balance my work in science and I hope to keep on performing for the rest of my life.

Suite Melody Care mission statement:

Suite Melody Care encourages talented, young musicians across the country to give back to their community by sharing themed, interactive performances with audiences in hospitals, long-term care facilities, and retirement residences.

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Pieces and Order of Performance

No.	Piece	Instrument	Time
1	Notturmo- Respighi	Piano	5:00
2	Fun, Fun, Fun- Beach Boys	Piano	2:30
3	Can't Take My Eyes Off of You- Franki Valli	Piano	3:30
4	Bach Suite No. 1- Prelude	Viola	3:00
5	To a Wild Rose- MacDonald	Piano	2:00
6	Twistin' the Night Away- Sam Cooke	Piano	3:00
7	California Sun- Rivas	Piano	2:30
8	My Girl- The Temptations	Piano	3:00
9	Schumann Sonata No. 2 -M. 2	Piano	5:30
10	Peppermint Twist	Piano	2:00

11	Mellow Yellow	Piano	3:30
12	Summer Nights- Grease	Piano	4:00
13	Having a Party- Sam Cooke	Piano	2:30
14	Here Comes the Sun- The Beatles	Viola	3:00
15	Summertime- Ella Fitzgerald	Viola	2:00
Total	15 Songs	Piano/Viola	47 minutes

Pieces and Trivia:

- Bach was born on March 31, 1685 in Germany. He was an 8th generation musician (violinist) and passed on the musical generation to his children as well! He has an extremely large body of work that is still famous to this day, and is regarded as one of the most influential composers to ever live.
- Can't Take My Eyes Off of You was one of Frankie Valli's biggest hits and is a staple in many movies and TV shows today. It was even used as a wake up call on a space shuttle mission to commemorate the anniversary of one of the astronauts on board.
- Summertime is a famous aria that was actually composed by George Gershwin for his opera, Porgy and Bess. It was popularized by famous singers such as Billie Holiday, Sam Cooke, and Ella Fitzgerald.
- MacDowell was an American composer in the 1900's who would write a few measures of simple melody every morning before heading outside. He would usually throw that paper scraps to the fire, but one morning he missed. His wife picked up the paper, played it on the piano, and told him that he should keep it. He played it again and said that the simple melody was beautiful and reminded him of roses (he loved wild roses).