

# Mo' Betta' Music Program | Summer 2011

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During the summer of 2011, the Mo' Betta' Music Program sponsored by the Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center will offer two camps. Camp clinicians will include University of Illinois faculty, graduate students and local professional musicians.

Mo' Betta' Music is an artistic enrichment program dedicated to enhancing the musical arts skills of low and moderate income students in a culturally sensitive manner so that they can actively participate with confidence in their music programs at their respective local schools. The program utilizes the idioms of jazz, gospel and Urban Contemporary music as vehicles to enhance the skill levels of young musicians and vocalists.

#### Camp Dates: June 6-11, 2011 Developing Artists Camp June 13-18, 2011 Premier Camp

## **Developing Artists Camp (Grades 5-8)**

The Developing Artist camp is designed to prepare young musicians for band and small ensemble playing in their respective schools. Students will be exposed to blues scales, traditional jazz technique, Latin music, and popular music. Basic music theory, jazz and gospel appreciation will also be part of the curriculum. There will be a closing concert.

## Premier Camp (Grades 8-12) Audition Required

Students in the Premier Camp will be auditioned in voice, brass, woodwinds, piano, bass, and drums on Saturday May 28, 2011. The Premier Camp will focus on individual skill development, small and large ensemble playing, basic music theory and jazz appreciation. Students will prepare for a closing concert featuring a repertoire of Afro-Cuban Music, Latin Jazz, and classical soul music made popular by bands such as Earth Wind and Fire, as well as a group composition. A CD will be made of the concert and given to each student participant.

Registration deadlines: We will take registration up through the first day of camp each week.

Check out the Mo' Betta website at: http://www.mobettamusic.org/

To download the Mo' Betta Summer Camps 2011 flier, click here.

For the complete schedule, registration form, scholarship application, click here.