

Dear Parents and Teachers,

## **Mo' Betta Music Summer Camps**

During the summer of 2012, the U of I School of Music will sponsor the 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.

<b>Camp Dates:</b>	June 4-9, 2012	<b>Premier Camp</b>
	June 11-16, 2012	<b>Developing Artists Camp</b>

### **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, and fun 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 the first day of camp. The 2012 camp will highlight small group playing, composition and improvisation along with large ensemble playing. Students will prepare for a closing concert. Each participant will receive a CD of the closing concert.

### **To Register**

For complete information on the schedule, application and scholarship information, please visit our web site <http://www.mobettamusic.org>. The camp fee is \$125. There are waivers available for students who qualify under federal free and reduced lunch guidelines. Please see the information enclosed if you want to participate and would like to apply for a waiver.

Interested families should fill out the **on-line application**, or the enclosed application.

We look forward to a wonderful experience.

Sincerely,

Nathaniel C. Banks, Director  
[nathbanks@gmail.com](mailto:nathbanks@gmail.com)  
359-9784

David Allen, Outreach Director, ISYM  
allend@illinois.edu

## Mo' Betta Music Summer Camps Itinerary

### 501 E. Park St. Champaign Illinois

**Camp Staff:** Nathaniel Banks, brass; Deborah Banks, choir; Ron Bridgewater, reeds; Tito Carrillo, Director, brass; Abbey Heras, keyboard, guitar; Robert Lewis, coordinator; Jay Sawyer, percussion; Kevin Turner, rhythm section, guitar;

#### Mo' Betta Music Premier Camp 2012

##### Camp Format: June 4-9, 2012

Day	9:00-9:30	9:30-10:30	10:45-11:30	11:34-12:00	12:15-12:45	12:45-2:00
Monday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Improvisation	Lunch	Transcription practice	Rehearsal
Tuesday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Improvisation	Lunch	Transcription practice	Rehearsal
Wednesday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Improvisation	Lunch	Transcription practice	Rehearsal
Thursday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Improvisation	Lunch	Transcription practice	Rehearsal
Friday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	The Music Business	Lunch	Transcription practice	Rehearsal
Saturday	Final Rehearsal	Final Rehearsal				Performance

#### Mo' Betta Beginning-Intermediate Artists Camp (grades 5-7)

##### Camp Format: June 11-16, 2012

Day	9:00-9:30	9:30-10:15	10:30-11:00	11:00-12:00
Monday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Listening/Improvisation	Ensemble Playing/singing
Tuesday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Listening/Improvisation	Ensemble Playing/singing
Wednesday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Listening/Improvisation	Ensemble Playing/singing
Thursday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Listening/Improvisation	Ensemble Playing/singing
Friday	Jazz/gospel history	Sectionals	Listening/Improvisation	Ensemble Playing/singing
Saturday	Final Rehearsal	Final Rehearsal		Performance



**Mo' Betta Summer Camps Scholarship Application**  
**June 4-9 Premier Camp Grades 8-12**  
**June 11-16 Developing Artist Camp Grades 5-8**

The Mo' Betta camps have a limited number of scholarships available. Please complete the information below and either mail or send by email to:

David Allen  
allend@illinois.edu  
1114 W. Nevada  
Urbana, IL 61801

You will be contacted within 3 working days as to the status of your scholarship request. Those receiving scholarships will be given a payment code to be used when you get to the payment page of on-line registration.

Student name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Requested for \_\_\_\_ Premier student camp June 4-9

\_\_\_\_\_ Developing artist camp June 11-16

My student does \_\_\_ does not \_\_\_ qualify for free and reduced lunch in school