



# **Kathy's Happy Organs & Pianos**

## ***Pandemic Edition—Summer 2020***

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### **From Kathy's Desk**

In February, we set the World's Record for number of people playing the organ at the same time. 50 students of all ages on 50 organs joined concert artist Rodney Barbour on the Lowrey Aria Pro to play Beethoven's "Ode to Joy." This was part of the world's celebration of Beethoven's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday. Several of these "world's record" organs are still available at prices from only \$50!

Then the world was hit by a pandemic! So far, the United States has fared the worst. Although Hamilton county is a hotspot, on the whole Ohio has worked to keep the virus spread down. (Bobby Speaker retired to Florida a couple of years ago—stay safe Bobby.)

All previous announced workshops and concerts have been cancelled. Sorry, we had fantastic concerts and programs scheduled—Bobby Speaker, Rodney Barbour, Summer Student Concert, etc. etc. and so forth and so on. These will have to wait until it is safe to gather in large groups again. We will have huge concert when this is over with lots of food.

We were closed from mid-March through mid-May. During that time, I tried to keep lessons going with email lessons, YouTube, Zoom lessons, phone lessons and the US Postal Service. We are open again with shorter hours, hand sanitizers, spray disinfectant, wipes to clean keyboards, masks, contact tracing and new lessons. Because of shorter mall hours and legal limits on gathering, we are not starting any new beginner classes. We are encouraging anyone who is a caregiver or has health problems to stay home and call us to take email or US Mail lessons.

For those staying home with home computers, Lowrey artist Dennis Awe has a fantastic online organ lesson program

called Dennis Awe's Keyboard University. There are 2 lessons per month with music for \$300. There is an introductory special for \$279. This is not just for advanced players, there is a program for beginners, and one for intermediate and advanced players.

We will have a Summer Student Concert—*online*. All through July, students are practicing and we will video students individually in August and September and put their performances online on Facebook, our webpage and YouTube. Choose your song ASAP so we can work on your performance. With extra time at home, to practice, this will be your opportunity to show off.

Students Andrea Hall and Charmaine de Silva have had to wait for surgeries postponed until July. Also Carol Cain is having problems with her other leg. Employee Gretchen Estreicher had to have an emergency shoulder replacement and is recovering. Keep them in your prayers.

In early May, my sister Susan's husband Robert Abbott died. Several of you might have met them a few years ago when they came up from Louisiana to care for me when I was recovering from my cancer surgery. I can't think of a more kind and loving man—not just for being married to my sister for 56 years, but being there for all of us with humor and grace. Robert knew more about the Big Bands past and present than anyone! Like Ronnie Dale, a real Southern gentleman.

Let's try to live through this Pandemic together, remembering to help each other with thoughtfulness, kindness and a sense of humor. We can't go to Canada or Europe, or take a cruise, attend concerts, attend large church services or eat in lots of restaurants, but we can play music. When you sit at the piano or the organ, in five minutes you can transport yourself and your family to a place of peace and happiness.



Marella is resuming private kids lessons for new and former students in July. To schedule, please call her at 513-349-7653.

Notice: Although there is a "Not an Entrance" sign on our regular Mall entrance, most of the time it is open and you can enter that way. If it is locked during regular Mall hours, call me in the store and we will let you in. 513-245-2295

### Congratulations to New Owners!

Yan Q Benzing	Used Baldwin Organ
Barbara Barnes	Casio Keyboard
Cynthia Fluker	Used Baldwin Organ
Whitney Daniels	Baldwin Piano
Carol Luken	Used Conn Organ
Zak Eddington	Baldwin Piano
Westport Wesleyan Church	Lowrey Celebration Organ
Jeffrey Arnett	Used Allen Organ
Mary Coomes	Roland Atelier Organ
Harold Bryant	Used Lowrey Organ
Jennifer Mallory	Used Conn Organ
Highway Holiness Church	Used Hammond Organ
Elvira Ahouangbe	Casio Keyboard
Shannon Wullenweber	Samick Digital Grand Piano
Wyatt Smith	Lowrey MX-2 Organ
Bev Hater	Casio Keyboard
Denise Evers	Casio Digital Piano

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**Limited Edition Galileo My First Pianos in Pink and Blue  
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**LOWREY PERFORMER  
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Similar to the Stardust  
Padded Bench**





## STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

### Wyatt Smith

Wyatt's new Lowrey organ is a tremendous inspiration! His wife can't get over how wonderful he sounds now. He and his wife have been spending many hours cleaning and sanitizing the local elementary and high schools in preparation for fall re-opening. Wyatt has also been busy creating custom cornhole sets.



### Harold Bryant

Harold worked so hard and achieved his goal of playing for his church. He played "Just a Closer Walk with Thee", "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Amazing Grace". He received a standing ovation and although he was so nervous, he plans to press on to play even more!



### Shannon Wullenweber

started taking piano lessons last year to play he and his wife's song, "The Flame" for her birthday. Surrounded by candlelight, he did it! She loved it! But it will sound so much better on his new Samick Grand!



### Chris

"The Professor" Lackey at his keyboards



**Sandra Thompson**  
Sandra takes a break from cleaning to relax and play her Lowrey Royale. She started to clean a little spot on the kitchen floor and well, that lead to a complete stripping of the floor, by hand! Needless to say, it looks beautiful, but Sandra says she will never do that again!

## Congratulations to 2020 Graduates

## KHOP GRADUATES

Angelino Aya, Colerain High School



Jude Huffman, Covington Latin School



**Peggy Hock**



**Andrea Hall**



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