

## Henry for Music

Henry for Music (HFM) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization (est. 2015) that relieves cost barriers to bring youth and instruments together, transforming lives through the Gift of Music. HFM obtains, refurbishes, and maintains musical instrument donations for Youth of all ages and backgrounds to enable access and participation in band, orchestra, or musical class.

An affiliate of the Henry Arts Alliance, this is Henry For Music's fourth educational concert experience promoting musical artistry and advocacy in all school environments—public, private, homeschool, kids in transition (homeless), foster/guardian care, and the SWAG Program.

HFM's Youth Orchestra United (YOU) program, established in 2016, facilitates musical education for Strings students without access to a musical program, including homeschoolers. The Mentorship program offers the opportunity for students to mentor, tutor, and gain foundational leadership knowledge. The HFM YOU After-school Enrichment Program is currently in three schools with over 40 students and a demand for more.

**Jerry Hesselink**, *President, Founder & Executive Director*

### Henry County Fine Arts Department

*Exploring the creative disciplines in Henry County Schools*

Get excited! Are you ready to explore the Fine Arts? The Henry County Fine Arts Education Department is partnering with Henry For Music to bring music to every Henry County school through E-SPLOST.

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HENRY FOR MUSIC and the HENRY COUNTY FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT present

# JOY THROUGH MUSIC

*An inspirational, educational concert experience*



*Featuring*

**Jez Graham**, *piano*

**Kevin Arney**, *trombone*

**Brooke Alford**, *violin*

## Fairview Performing Arts Center

*544 Fairview Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281*

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023 • 10:30 a.m.**

www.HenryForMusic.org

## ABOUT THE ARTISTS:

Pianist **JAMES "JEZ" GRAHAM** has been a fixture on the Atlanta music scene since 1988. You can hear him on piano at Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport in Concourse A (Friday evenings) by Varasono's and at The Piano Bar (Saturday, Sunday, and Tuesday) in Concourse E. A prolific Singer/Songwriter/Arranger, he released his newest solo album of 23 original songs, "Percolate," on April 1st, 2022. July 1st, 2022, saw the release of "The Jez Graham Collection," a 50-song retrospective. Jez served as musical director and keyboardist/vocalist on the 11/11/22 release of the "David Marks And The Summertime Blues Live At Eddies Attic" collection featuring original Beach Boy member David Marks. Other notable artists Jez has recorded and toured with include Francine Reed and Col. Bruce Hampton. More info at jezgraham.com

Trombonist **KEVIN ARNEY** began playing trombone during the 7th grade in South Florida public schools after having learned to read music through several years of piano lessons. "Band was my favorite subject, and I spent a lot of time practicing or just blowing the horn." Kevin achieved first chair in the 1979 Florida All-State Concert Band, joined his high school's chorus program, and began arranging. Kevin majored for two years in Studio Music & Jazz at the University of Miami's School of Music. After that, he toured with a live band for four months, followed by nine months on a cruise ship, and in 1985 went on musical hiatus after starting a career with Miami-Dade County. In 2015, nearly 30 years later, Kevin retired, moved to Georgia, and returned to frequent playing, singing, and arranging with Big Bands, Dixieland Bands, Salsa Bands, and various other ensembles. He has recently played Trombone with The Henry Players ("Cabaret") and The Front Porch Players ("Music Man").

### **HENRY FOR MUSIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA UNITED (HFM YOU)**

Cellist **JOYCEE FRITZ** learned to play Cello in HFM YOU's 2016 inaugural class and has enhanced her musicianship to include Viola and Baritone/Euphonium in Marching Band. Violinist **DESTINY FRANCIS** joined HFM YOU in 2019 and began learning violin with her brothers and mom. Joycee and Destiny have joined El Sistema USA conferences and lead HFM's Mentorship program, where they actively share their knowledge and expertise within HFM's After-school Enrichment Programs. Flautist **KEVINA LOVE FRANKLIN** (@KLUVATL) is a Sophomore at Strayer University studying Business Administration under the Fellows For Justice Scholarship Program. She began playing flute in 1993, participates in community theater, serves on the HFM Board of Directors, and is an HFM Teaching Artist and Program Manager.

**BROOKE "The Artist of the Violin" ALFORD** is an R&B/Soul Jazz-Charting Mark Wood Violins International and Henry for Music Teaching Artist. She plays worldwide, is a Smooth Jazz Network 2022 Breakout Artist Nominee, Recording Academy Voting Member, and in 2022 released new music "On The Move," "New Day," and "SHINE.". She started her professional career in 2007. She has independently released 1 LP and 2 EPs under her company and label, Alford Enterprises & Entertainment Group, LLC, and The Platinum Crown Music Independent label. Ms. Alford has opened for notable musical artists and entertainers, including The Whispers, Mint Condition, Peabo Bryson, Najee, Will Downing, Marion Meadows, Paul Taylor, Marcus Johnson, India.Arie, Tony, Toni, Tonè, and the late iconic Comedians Paul Mooney and Dick Gregory. More info at brookealfordviolin.com.

## **Henry For Music, Inc. & The Henry County Fine Arts Department**

*Present*

### ***"Joy Through Music"***

#### ***Program***

#### ***Master of Ceremonies***

*Kim Cloutman*

#### ***Jez Graham, Piano***

*Airport Medley  
Somewhere Over the Rainbow, Harold Arlen  
Linus & Lucy, Vince Guaraldi  
Jazz/Rock & Roll Medley (ft. Kevin Arney)*

#### ***Kevin Arney, Trombone***

*Royal Garden Blues, Clarence &  
Spencer Williams  
Blue Bells of Scotland, Arthur Pryor  
Romanze (excerpts), G. Cords  
Saturday Night is the Loneliest Night, Jule  
Styne*

#### ***Henry For Music Youth Orchestra United Joycee Fritz, Cello Destiny Francis, Violin Kevina Love Franklin, Flute***

*Entry of the Tumblers, Elliot Del Borgo  
Joust, Richard Meyer*

#### ***Brooke "The Artist of the Violin" Alford***

*Joyful, Joyful, arr. Brooke Alford  
Wade in the Water (Old Negro Spiritual), arr.  
Brooke Alford  
Twenty Two, Brooke Alford*

#### ***Artist Finale: Jez Graham, Kevin Arney & Brooke Alford***

*Finale/Reprise: Take the "A Train"*

#### ***Henry County Fine Arts Department Remarks***

*Pamela Burgess, Ed.S., Coordinator of Fine Arts*

#### ***Acknowledgments & Closing Remarks***

*Jerry Hesselink, CEO/Founder, Henry For Music, Inc.*

*Program is subject to change*

