

Teachers & College Students Welcome!

Teachers - \$45 per workshop
(discount of \$75 for both!)
College Students- \$10 per workshop

Checks/Money orders made payable to Simpson Music
Dept and mailed to:

Dr. Mike Eckerty
701 N C St,
Indianola, IA 50125

Email Mike Eckerty to request credit card payment.

Graduate Credit: 1 renewal graduate credit is available!

Teacher must attend both workshops. Send no money now for graduate credit; simply pay the \$75 registration fee for both workshops. Simpson will soon send an invoice directly to you for the \$200 graduate credit tuition. Please email Mike Eckerty to register for this graduate credit.

Location: Simpson's Amy Robertson Music Center, Lekberg Hall

SIMPSON COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Workshops in Music Education

'26-'27



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For questions contact
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Kodály Alive!
Pedagogy with Student Demos
ft. Heartland Youth Choir
 Saturday, Sept 26, 2026
 9AM-1PM in Lekberg Hall

Pedagogy in theory and books feels very different with *actual* students. Singers from Cantilena and Chante in Heartland Youth Choir will engage in general music as well as choral activities, games, and rehearsal techniques.

Participants in the workshop are invited to play along or to simply observe. Each group's demonstration will be followed by a debrief and Q&A.

Mary Craven Bartemes & Lydia Schettler-Blum will explore pedagogical process and music literacy for general music and middle school choir. Both teachers attended the University of St Thomas for their masters degrees and Kodály emphases. Lydia teaches full-time in Johnston, IA, and Mary is the Artistic Director for Heartland Youth Choir.



HEARTLAND
YOUTH CHOIR

Rob DelGaudio
From Play to
Performance:
A Musical Roadtrip
 Saturday, Jan 23, 2026
 9AM-1PM in Lekberg Hall



Pack your bags for a hands-on Orff-Schulwerk journey where playful musical ideas grow into meaningful performances. Participants will explore how games, chants, movement, and simple compositions can be expanded into rich classroom pieces while "traveling" across the United States through music and storytelling.

Rob DelGaudio is a composer and elementary music educator based in the New York City area. He holds a B.M. and M.M. from Manhattan School of Music and Hofstra University and has completed Orff Levels training at Hofstra University, Villanova University, and George Mason University.

As the creator of Music With Mr. DelGaudio, a YouTube channel with over 25,000 subscribers, Rob shares original songs and engaging lesson ideas for music educators. He is also a graduate of the prestigious BMI Musical Theatre Writing Program and serves as the creative director of his own theater company, Pancake Productions.

Beyond his work in music education and theater, Rob leads the Tarrytown Ukulele Jam and is the author of *Music*, a Barnes & Noble exclusive book.