

# Greater Cincinnati Chapter AOSA

## Fall 2020 Newsletter



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## Welcome Back!

### Online Registration

The quickest and most painless way to sign-up for workshops: Online registration is open! Register online here:

#### 2020-2021 Workshops:

- 8-29 Jennifer Donovan
- 9-19 Kate Bright
- 10-17 Eric Young
- 2-13 Sarah Richardson
- 3-13 Leslie Anne Bird



## Workshop Information

**Where:** All Fall workshops will be held virtually via Zoom.

**When:** Workshops times will vary based on virtual makeup and presenter.

**Who:** All teachers are invited to attend. Want to bring a friend? Check out the guest pass online.

**Join:** Membership to GCCAOSA includes: national and local memberships, 4 workshops, access to Video Library and an Orff Echo subscription.

**Regular Member:** \$149

**Local Member** (with AOSA prepaid): \$60

**Retired Member:** \$89

**Student Member:** FREE

**Single Virtual**

**Workshop:** \$20

**Retire Virtual**

**Workshop:** \$10

**First year Teachers:** (Local portion half off!) : ~~\$145~~-\$119

**Reciprocity Admission**

(with proof of AOSA membership) : \$25

Want to know more about what package works best for you? Check out the website:



# Virtual Workshop Information

As we dive into the uncharted territory of Virtual Workshops, know that we at GCCAOSA are working hard to ensure that you are able to experience some amazing professional development from the comfort of your home!

Our registration will close on the Thursday prior to the workshop. This allows us to get a final headcount and process payments for workshop fees. Your workshop fees can still be paid by check, please contact our chapter to find out who to send it to:

[GCCAOSA@gmail.com](mailto:GCCAOSA@gmail.com)

We will be utilizing Zoom for our workshops. 24 hours prior to the workshop we will send out the link for you to join. Our workshops will be monitored and moderated by our chapter members so that we can engage collaboratively with the presenter and each other.

These new virtual workshops would be a great time to invite a friend to take part using our [FREE guest pass](#). If they've been on the fence, or not wanting to drive up for a whole Saturday now is their chance!

We hope that you will join us for the unique learning opportunities. Please be patient as we finalize the minute details over the coming weeks!

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# Upcoming Workshops

August 29th  
Jennifer Donovan



Participants will engage in discussion, creation, and reflection exploring avenues to provide elementary music classroom instruction which is focused on active music making. Using the Orff Schulwerk media, we will discover approaches to modify our instruction to maintain proper social distance guidelines.

September 19th  
Kate Bright



Unprecedented times require unprecedented processes. Explore different ways to synchronously and asynchronously make music with students through songs, stories, and (Google) Slides. Katie will share techniques on how to create digital resources for use in a socially distant classroom or that students can use from the safety of their homes.

October 17th  
Eric Young

More information coming this fall!!

## GUEST PASS

Want to join us for the first time VIRTUALLY?? You can FOR FREE!!!

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**firstorff**

[Guest Pass Form](#)



# Video Library

## Digital Access to Previous Workshops Now Available!!

We now have our video library stored on Google Drive! Members will be able to access most workshops dating back to 2005. Notes for previous workshops will be included with videos as we receive permission from presenters. Access to videos will be granted to all paying members. This will be connected to the email address they register with. Each member will have access for 1 year (access will renew with memberships). Contact [cinciorfflibrary@gmail.com](mailto:cinciorfflibrary@gmail.com) with any questions or troubleshooting.



# Scholarships

Did you know that our chapter has a new scholarship available? Our newest scholarship will cover national AOSA dues for two chapter members who pay their local dues. And the best part is- you only need to fill out the two page application found on our website. All applications should be emailed to the scholarship committee at [GCCAOSAAschoalrships@gmail.com](mailto:GCCAOSAAschoalrships@gmail.com) by August 15th. The winner will be announced by our second workshop on September 19th.

The Greater Cincinnati AOSA Chapter will award a one year national AOSA membership (\$85) to up to two qualified music educators who express a desire to more fully integrate into the chapter but are unable to do so financially. Applications are found on our website and will be due by August 15th. Apply today!

GCCAOSA also offers scholarships for National Conference attendance and Teacher Education training. Teacher Education Training Scholarship deadline is January 31st!

**Want to apply for a scholarship? [Apply Here Now](#)**

## **GCCAOSA Endowment Fund**

The endowment fund is a great way to support your chapter and all the things it provides. Give a donation in honor of a special teacher who has helped you develop into the educator you are, or in memory of a loved one. See Bethany Howard for more information about donating.

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## President's Message



Hello Orff Friends,

If you would have asked me one year ago if we would be preparing to have our first workshop virtually on Zoom I would have thought that was crazy. Yet here we are getting ready to launch into another fantastic workshop season starting with Jennifer Donovan on August 29th. Despite all the changes we are facing in our lives and classrooms, I am confident that we are going to provide our members with the high quality professional development we have all come to expect from GCCAOSA.

On another note, in June, AOSA released a statement denouncing violence against the black community. ([AOSA Statement](#)) Additionally, Greater Cincinnati Orff released our own statement affirming and echoing the national statement for our local region. ([GCCAOSA](#)) I am pleased to announce the launching of the Diversity Task Force of the GCCAOSA. Our vision for this task force is to take a deep look at the structure and practices of our organization, finding areas in which we can expand our understanding of diverse music teaching and learning. We are committed to amplifying culturally responsive professional development and practices that foster equity in music classrooms. If this work resonates with you, please consider joining the task force by following this link: [Diversity Task Force](#)

I am so excited to continue to learn and grow our musical minds in 2020! Here is to a wonderful year of Orff fun together!

Warmest Regards,  
Adam Depew