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YOUNG
ARTIST
SHOWCASE

*First United Methodist
Church of Stamford*

*(Corner of Long Ridge Road
and Cross Road)*

Dear Music Educator:

Some of you have participated in this event in the past, and we would love to welcome you back this year! We are always looking for new talent, so read on....

Your students are cordially invited to register to audition for the Fourth Annual Young Artist Showcase to be held Sunday, May 3, 2009, at 4:00 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church of Stamford.

The Young Artist Showcase is presented by FUMC as part of its popular concert series, FIRST at FIRST at FOUR, made possible in part with public funds from the City of Stamford through the Stamford Cultural Development Corporation. The goal of the Showcase is to offer more of Lower Fairfield County's talented young artists the opportunity to have invaluable performance experience in front of an appreciative, supportive audience. Admission to the Showcase is free to the public.

To audition, students must complete the registration form and return it with a check for \$10.00, payable to FUMC. The registration form is attached, or you can access it online at www.fumcstamford.org. The mailing address is FUMC Young Artist Showcase, 42 Cross Road, Stamford, CT, 06905.

The deadline for registration is Tuesday, March 31.

Auditions will be conducted at FUMC on Saturday, April 4 and Sunday afternoon, April 5. Registrants will be informed of their exact time slot. They must bring their own accompanist, if needed, and audition with the material they expect to perform. Duos, trios, or other groups are encouraged to apply. *Six minutes* is the maximum performance time allowable, and music *must be memorized*, except for instrumental ensembles. **All kinds of instruments, vocalists, and all types of music are welcome.** Aspiring performers from elementary through college are encouraged to register.

We will notify audition winners on or before April 15.

Please feel free to make more copies of this letter and registration forms as needed. Help us spread the word!

We look forward to hearing from you and your students. If you have questions, please email mtrem333@optimum.net. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely yours,
Marilee Tremlett,
The FIRST at FIRST at FOUR Young Artist Showcase Committee