S.T.A.R.

Student Taught "Action" Recital
October 25, 2026 2:00 PM

1600 - 1750	1750 - 1820	1820 - 1900	1900 - Present
Baroque Era	**Classical Era**	**Romantic Era**	**Contemporary Era**

Skeleton Stomp - Bober **Philip Smigiel**

1) Melody Bober started playing piano entirely by ear at the age of 5. True or False.
2) Skeleton Stomp is described at a tempo of: a. Ghoulish Delight b. Hunting Ghosts c.Running Scared
3) What makes the song sound spooky? a.major key b.left hand staccato notes c. minor key

Dogs Prowling in the Night - S. VanOveren **Cameron Kaltz**

1. What other instrument does Ms. Sherry play that is NOT Piano? Bells Violin Organ
2. A minor key makes this song sound happy and fun? True False
3. Through-composed means a piece has NO repeated sections. True False

Jig - Melody Bober (1955 -) **Meredith Kaltz**

1. How old was Melody Bober when she had her first piano lesson? 10 years old 5 yrs. old 2 years old
2. What instrument does Ms. Bober try to imitate in the left hand? Bassoon Bagpipes Irish Drum
3. A Jig is from what country? Scotland Ireland Denmark

Legends of the Canyon - Catherine Rollin **Aiden Arias**

1. Ms. Rollin was inspired to write this piece by: a. Exploring a Cave b. Grand Canyon c.Rain Forest
2. How does this piece get a mysterious atmosphere? Loud fast notes Major Key minor key
3. Ms. Rollin creates canyon echoes by using low to high fifths. True False

Love That Boogie - Melody Bober (1955 -) **Xander Elzinga**

1. Where Does Melody Bober live? Montana Michigan Minnesota
2. What is a Boogie? Sonatina Dance Nocturne
3. What is another word for Coda? Beginning Transition Ending

Candlelight Prelude - Carol Klose **Brienna Price**

1. Carol Klose is known for imaginative piano solos for beginners. True False
2. To create the scene of candlelight, Carol Klose does this:
   Writes loud chords Uses mainly low notes Uses a minor key and soft notes
3. What technique is used at the end of this minor piece to end in Major?
   Ternary Form Recapitulation Picardy Third

Toccata Festivo by Jennifer Linn (1960-) **Theo Morris**

1. What is it called when an accent falls on a weak beat? Szforzando fermata syncopation
2. Toccata means: point joyful touch
3. Ms. Linn is from which period of music? Baroque Romantic Contemporary

The Gladiator - Edwin McLean **Sydney Price**

1. Where is the Gladiator from? Roman Empire Ancient Greece Aztecs
2. Edwin McLean was born in 1951. True False
3. Ternary Form has how many parts? _____

Motion Machine - Carolyn Miller **Evan Kaltz**

1. Carolyn Miller teaches over a thousand students each year. True False
2. Carolyn Miller uses what to make this piece sound like a machine:
   Fast and repetitive notes slow and somber sounds
3. This piece is in a form called Binary form which has two parts called A and B. True False

A Touch of Gold - Dennis Alexander **John Irwin**

1. What is Dennis Alexander internationally known for?
   Writer of Children's Books Educational Composer Mountain Guide in Montana
2. What compositional device does he use? Syncopation Pedal Point Diminished 7 Chords
3. He began composing in the early 2000's. True False

Midnight Escapade - Melody Bober **Gloria Smigiel**

1. What age Did Melody Bober start taking piano lessons? 10 yrs. 7 Yrs. 13 Yrs. 5 yrs.
2. An example of someone going on an "Escapade" could be:
   Reading a book Sitting at a desk Watching paint dry Deep Sea Diving
3. What does Melody Bober do to make this piece sound mysterious?
   Uses a minor Key Uses soft high notes Uses loud chords

Sonatina in C Major Op. 55 No. 3 - Friederich Kuhlau **Anne Boersma**

I. Allegro con spirito

1. Kuhlau spanned which two music eras?
   Baroque & Classical Classical & Romantic Romantic and Modern
2. Most of Kuhlau's work was lost in a: Flood Tornado Fire
3. In the Sonata- Allegro form which two sections are the most similar?
   Exposition Development Recapitulation
4. Themes in the Development can: (circle all that apply)
   a. Change keys b. be played upside down c. be played faster d. be played slower

Tarantella - Pieczonka **Jack Brooks**

1. What country was Pieczonka from: Romania Russia Italy
2. This piece is in which form? Binary Ternary Sonata-Allegro
3. The title "Tarantella" refers to which animal: Snake Scorpion Spider
4. Tarantella is this type of dance: Russian Polynesian Italian

Diamonds on the Water - Wynn-Anne Rossi **Culley Bredin**

1. What is the name of one of Ms. Rossi's new piano series?
   Music in the World Prehistoric Diamonds Prehistoric Piano
2. How does Ms. Rossi create a sparking diamond effect?
   loud and heavy delicate and light Low on the piano
3. What form is this piece in? Binary Through-composed Ternary

Sea of Moonlight and Raging Storm - Melody Bober **Finn Bredin**

1. Melody Bober began playing piano when she was in college. True False
2. What does Melody Bober do on the piano to create the sound of a calm sea at night?
   a. Relaxed tempo & Soft Dynamics b. Strong Chords c. ChaoticTempo
3. Raging Storm uses _____ to create power and chaos.
   Delicate high register sounds Low Powerful Chords and fast tempo

Grady Morris was unable to attend this recital.
Once this recital is posted on the website, Grady will be included so you can answer the questions below.

"That Much"- Paul Sheftel **Grady Morris**

1. Where did Paul Sheftel grow up? Texas Hollywood Florida
2. What form is this piece? Binary Ternary Through-composed
3. Paul Sheftel wrote creative piano compositions for adults. True False

Thank you for coming to this S.T.A.R. recital
and supporting these hard-working students!

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