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## More than just an Alto Sax

*written by Friends of Music member, Jeff Parry*

The alto sax I have just donated to Friends of Music, was the first instrument I learned to play in high school. My mum traded in her electric guitar for it and I have loved it ever since.

Unfortunately, I became rather ill and my musical endeavors took a back seat.

I became aware of Friends of Music about three years ago and I reacquainted myself with my alto sax. For my 30th birthday, my mum got me a beautiful, black lacquered saxophone. My new alto sax is very valuable to me.

I decided to donate the original sax to Friends of Music so another person can find a love of music, the way I did. Music involves continued learning and is an instrument, itself. Music is a journey and I treat it as a pathway to my purpose in life.

**Jeff Parry (below)**, warming up for Jazz Improv.

*Anyone*

*wanting to expand their musical knowledge towards Jazz Improv, can join this jam from 11 am – noon every Tuesday morning .*



# GET THE BEAT

JAN / FEB 2020

*Let's get this decade underway !*

## Dates to Mark in you new 2020 Calendar

**Thurs Jan 2nd at 2pm** - Ukulelians performing at Trillium Highgate

**Tues Mar 3rd at 2pm** - Eclectics performing at Trillium Highgate

**Thurs Apr 16, 2020** - FOM Music Society AGM

**Thurs Dec 10, 2020** - FOM's Christmas Dinner has already been scheduled.

**Thursday starting Jan 7th** - Community Concerts in EMP from 6:30 - 7:15 (doors at 6pm)

## Ways to Donate to FOM Music Society

**Our members are donating all year long:** Some add a little extra when they pay their annual dues - Some wait for the Annual Campaign - The Return-It Depot allows our members to designate their bottle refund to Friends of Music Society - Donations are accepted at any time by mail, in the office or through [CanadaHelps.ca](http://CanadaHelps.ca)



Let us know what you think about a Virtual Donation Box for some of our events . . . Just point your cell at this QR Code to be connected to our donation page at [CanadaHelps.ca](http://CanadaHelps.ca).

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

Please submit your ideas for our summer programs. These are usually 1 - 4 sessions in July. It's a great chance to try something new and meet new people. So far we have one suggestion:

**Beatbox!** Does anyone know of a talented and encouraging Beatbox instructor? Keep the ideas coming.

# Friends of Music Society Calendar of Events

## JANUARY 2020

All Thursday Community Concerts start at 6:30 pm (Doors open at 6pm - Coffee served at 6pm!)

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 <b>Happy New Year</b> 	2 <b>Ukulelians Perform</b> at Trillium Highgate at 2pm <i>Concert Dress: Black FOM shirts</i>	3	4
5 <i>No Programs Today</i>	6 <b>7:00 PM Board Meeting</b>	7 Jazz Improv 11-12 Learn Ukulele 4-5 Ukulelians 5:00-6:30 pm Chorus 7-9 pm <i>Jan. Sub is Susan Smedley</i>	8 Each One Teach One 10am Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Fundamentals 1-3PM Eclectics 3:30-5:30 pm	9 Community Concert Haywires Country Band EMP 6:30-7:15 pm Moodswing Orchestra Rehearsal 7:30-9:30 PM	10 Haywires 2-4 Minds at Work 4-6pm	11
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26 Rock Band Guitar Open Mic	27	28 Jazz Improv 11-12 Learn Ukulele 4-5 Ukulelians 5:00-6:30 pm Chorus Rehearsal 7-9 pm	29 Each One Teach One 10am Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Fundamentals 1-3pm Eclectics 3:30-5:30 pm	30 Community Concert Moodswing Orchestra EMP 6:30-7:15 pm Moodswing Orchestra Rehearsal 7:30-9:30 PM	31 Haywires 2-4 Minds at Work 4-6pm	

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For all FOM music programs and concerts, please use the Fort Street entrance.