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LETTER FROM

Dear Readers:

The purpose of my magazine is to bring insight to you, the reader. I wanted to show you a bit of what I feel are some of the best types of music. The goal I had in mind the whole time when creating this magazine, was really showing you how great music can be. The thing that I feel is inspiring about the types of music I have mentioned is the sound. Lyrics are great too, but not all the time. For me, I can hear music for the entire sound. Sometimes, when I hear lyrics, they don't mean anything to me. I will like a song for how the music sounds with the melody, not the words. What I'm trying to say is that this music is often very passionately done, and that is what makes it enjoyable.

My life since I was three years old has included music in some way. When my mother was pregnant with my younger sister, I sang Twinkle Twinkle Little Star to her, and that was when I made the decision to become a famous singer. I have since then auditioned for multiple choral organizations, all of which I have been accepted into. My goals often change when it comes to music. They often get bigger because I set smaller goals that feed into bigger ones. For example, I audition for choirs and participate in music groups not only because I find it fun, but because I'm preparing myself for a very big moment in my life: My X-Factor audition. One year out of the four that I am in high school, I will audition for the X-Factor, and all of the auditions I've ever had are leading up to that moment.

During the development of this magazine, I have worked with many people. Some of which had their work done on time, and some who did not. That was a completely different experience for me. I had to trust someone else to do what I needed them to do and turn that thing, whatever it was, in on time. Throughout putting this magazine together, I have

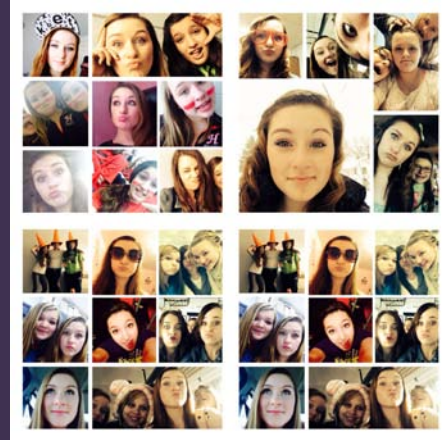
learned the importance of Dropbox, deadlines in general, and communication. In this project, you have to keep deadlines in mind, use Dropbox constantly, and communicate with the people you make deals with.

There are up and down sides to having people work for you, specifically in this project. Most of the people I have made deals with and worked with are either incredibly talented writers, musicians, or artists. Having people with those talents working for my magazine specifically are important because those talents benefit me and how people see my magazine. I want people to have as much respect for this magazine as I do, and that only happens if this magazine meets certain standards. Those standards are based on other people's opinions of this magazine. At the beginning of this project, I knew that many of the people I made deals with were talented, but I did not realize how talented they were. I discovered that many of the people I worked with can write extremely in-depth about the project they were working on.

I honestly struggled with a few things throughout this project. First of which is stress. It is extremely difficult to cope with all the stress of this project along with other school work and activities outside of school. At times, just hearing the word deadline would frustrate me, because it would remind me of the constant stress this project has put on me. I'm not saying I thought it was the end of the world, but it was tough in the beginning. Another thing I struggled with was trusting other people to do the work they promised they would do. The frustrating part of that is, nobody can promise anything. If someone does not have what you need by the time it is due, it is hard to trust others to do their job. I do have to admit, these things get easier towards the end of the project.

I feel that I have had many successes with this project. One of which is the creativity aspect. I made many deals with people who had come up with several different ideas for article's and ad's. It's like the ideas never stopped flowing. That is why my magazine is so creative looking; creative people made most of it. Another success was the intriguing writing. The articles in my magazine draw you in. That's what makes it interesting. The way the whole magazine is put together is fun and interesting to look at.

There are many parts of this magazine that are inspiring and helpful to you, the reader. I really think that the tips on how to sing are extremely helpful. I also think that the stress-relief article is extremely helpful when you are going through a rough time. It explains how you can get rid of all your worries. I feel that the articles about how music has changed people's lives are inspiring as well. All of those things are beneficial to you, so you can read this magazine and understand music more than before you read.



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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I love your latest magazine *The Rock*. My favorite singer was John Cake. He was so cute! I would recommend you feature him in all of your future magazines, all the girls will be all over him. When you put out your next magazine, please put him in. Also, make sure you put more picture of him in your magazine!

Sincerely,

Serena Baehman
Hortonville, Wisconsin

Dear Editor:

I have recently begun to read your issues of *Blara Crown*, and I absolutely LOVE it! I love how you incorporate the latest songs and keep everyone up-to-date on the upcoming stars of music! My favorite part of your last issue was how you had the article on how to improve on singing. I have recently begun to take singing lessons, and I feel that your article helped me by giving me amazing tips on how to improve! Even my vocal teacher has noticed a difference in my singing! I would really like it if you wrote more articles on how to improve in the music industry. I believe that readers everywhere can improve from the tips and tricks you give, and you may even gain more readers! People would love to hear what you have to say about singing because you give some of the best tips! I really hope you consider my suggestion!

Sincerely,

Jillian Jakubowski
Los Angeles, California

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Top 25 Alternative Songs

For Summer 2014

1. *Rebellion*
2. *Songs of Sorrows*
3. *Stairway to Paradise*
4. *I Need Your Heart*
5. *Infatuation*
6. *Stars Align*
7. *The Crystal Moon*
8. *You Tricked Me*
9. *Lotus Flower*
10. *The Way That I Want You*
11. *Every Time I Fall*
12. *Stampede*
13. *Not Into You*
14. *Time & Space*
15. *I Found You*
16. *Believe Me, Please*
17. *Feeling Stupid*
18. *Explosion of the Heart*
19. *Impulse*
20. *Eyes of Ice*
21. *Didn't Mean To*
22. *Why Can't You Listen*
23. *Radioactive Heart*
24. *Promises Broken*
25. *Look at Me and Tell the Truth*

By: Lauren Woodzicka



Pop Music Relieves Stress

By: Rebecca Kamke

If you love music, you will love pop music. Pop Music will make you move your feet. Pop Music can be tough to dance to, play on a keyboard, or to sing at first, but if you keep trying, you can learn! There is a new school called Popway School, where you can learn all about pop. It can even be fun and has been known to relieve stress. Stress will flow out of your body when you dance, sing, or play on the keyboard to Pop Music. So move your feet to the rhythm of pop music.

Dancing with Out Stress

Katarina Romanoff of Pop Dance Studio teaches people to dance to pop music. In an interview with TV 2 she said, "I love to help people dance to this music, because, I see the stress just pour out of my students' and the stress is replaced with big smiles." There are so many dance moves to learn at Pop Dance Studio. Katarina's favorite dance move to teach, which relieves stress, is the Wild Mockingjay. Katarina describes the steps you need to learn about the Wild Mockingjay move. Step one; you have to hold your hands up straight like a bird about to take-off. Then move your head back and forth. Then, you twirl your whole body and jump in the air. If you want to perform this dance move, you can add a new move to the Wild Mockingjay. It would also be cool to wear a Mockingjay dress or costume with real Mockingjay feathers. It would be great to have a group dancing the Wild Mockingjay. If you love fast-paced pop and dance, then the Mockingjay dance is just for you. It's a great way get exercise and relieve stress. Some famous people, like Romepage Light, love performing this move; it really helps them with their stress. Romepage Light said, "Without Pop Music I would not be able to function, because I would always be stressed. Loving to dance will help you in

every aspect of your life and you will feel more relaxed everywhere you go."

Singing out the Stress

Do you know how to sing pop music? Do you know you can get rid of stress by learning how to sing? If you come on down to Popway School for singing you can start your training, and rid yourself of stress. There are so many songs to sing in pop like the song called "Time for the Power", and the new song "Never going Back." The first step to becoming a great singer is by practicing singing the musical notes. These songs will take your mind off the stress, and you can see how low or high you can sing. The last lesson you have to learn is how to sing pop music on the stage while people are watching you. It's hard to try to be relaxed on stage. If you want to sing pop you can learn to sing it and sing great or to sing your heart out on the stage when you are ready to perform. Pop music is your one way to sing and it's great if you have a dream to become Pop star and have the stress be elevated. You will learn how to sing and perform on stage at Popway School. The Popway School will help people with singing and relieving stress.

Playing with no Stress

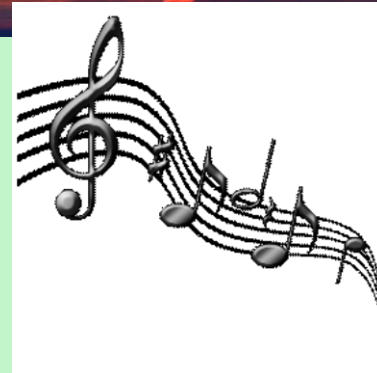
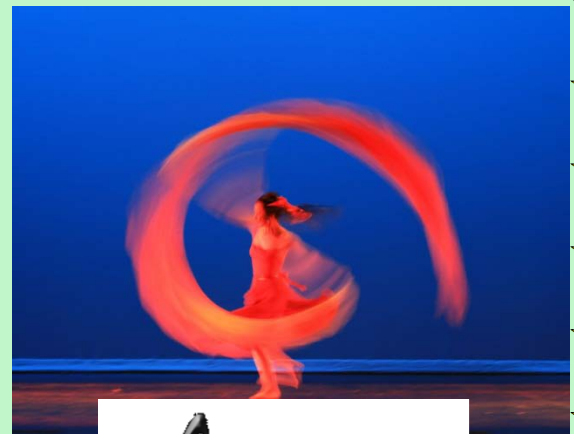
If you know how to sing and dance to pop music, the next step is to try to play keyboard with pop music. It will calm you down and your stress will disintegrate. It's just like playing a piano. The keyboard is like another piano but it can be very loud. If you want another way to get rid your stress then play often. Your fingers will become stronger, and the stress in your fingers will come out like a river flowing downstream in the woods. The stress will slowly go away, but if you keep on playing pop on the keyboard then it well go away completely. You just need to keep on trying to learn how to play pop music on the keyboard.

If you love singing, dancing, and playing the keyboard, go to Pop Dance Studio. It may help relax your body because doing things like this will get rid of your stress so you can be a happy, healthy person.



Facts about Stress Relief through music

- Stress can go away with pop music
- Rompage Light loves dancing to get rid of stress
- Voice coaches give great advice on how to get rid of stress
- Teens around the world love this form of stress relief
- Doctors say yes to pop music
- A dance a day keeps the stress away!



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The Piano That Lead People to Fame

By: Jasmine Shepherd



Have you ever heard somebody say that they can't do something? Those people have a little self-esteem problem that tells them they can't do things that they might want to try. Something in their head tells them that they will fail so it's better off to not even try. Kind of like that stuff you see on TV with a good side on one shoulder and a bad side on the other shoulder, except you can only hear the bad side talking. There is a hidden talent inside all of us, some people have found it, some people are still looking, and some people are looking in the wrong place.

People around the world have all different kinds of talents: sports, art, music, and even more. When people find their hidden talent their life feels fuller than it used to be. You feel important to the society when you share your talent with others, you will end up with people looking up to you (Which isn't a bad thing at all). It's ok if you don't want to share your talent with others because you think they will make fun of you. But, you should still try, show people the real you. You don't have to worry about what other think about you. I can guarantee that you will feel a lot better about yourself afterward.

Thanks to Rodger Jake finding a magical piano in the junk yard, people can tell themselves that they can do it and they will succeed. This magical piano sends little messages to you, telepathically, that masks that little thing in your head telling you, you can't do it. As soon as you get within a Yard of the piano, if your hidden talent is music, it will tell you to do what you will eventually love and that is to play music. The piano also takes away the worry that people will make fun of you or laugh. After you come in contact with the piano you will


no longer have that voice in your head saying you can't do things.

Rodger Jake found his hidden talent in music, and he was afraid to perform or to do anything in front of anybody. But, Rodger went to the junk yard to get away from everybody and to have time to himself. Rodger walked past a small pile of junk and remedially wasn't nervous or afraid of performing in front of people. He actually wanted to enter into the big talent show for charity. Rodger looked at the pile of junk and found something that was too beautiful to be junk, he found a piano. Rodger dug out the beautiful piano and pushed it all of the way home, which was just down the street.

The next day at school he asked one of his friend, who had a fear of performing in front of crowds, to come his house for an experiment. Rodger wanted to see if the piano was the reason why Rodger wanted to be in the talent show and the reason he could now perform. Rodger and his friend went to Rodger's house and as soon as his friend walked through the door, he blurted out that he wanted to audition for the talent show. Rodger then realized that the piano wasn't just a beautiful piano it was a magical piano.

Due to this new discovery, Rodger brought the piano to a mall in which a lot of people go to and asked if it was ok if he could place the piano right next to the front door. Rodger told the manager that it's for people who have a fear of performing for crowds. Luckily, the manager let Rodger keep the piano there since he too has had to deal with the fear of performing, but just like what the piano did for Rodger and his friend the piano took his fear away and gave the manager courage.

Now, thanks to both Rodger Jake and the mall Manager, people around the world don't have to deal with the fear of sharing their gift with other people. You deserve to have your time to shine. No more hiding in the shadows of other, no more



letting people walk all over you, and no more being afraid to show others what you can do. The world needs somebody like you who understands how it is to be afraid, they need someone who won't make fun of them for doing what they do. You have the power to change people's lives. Will you abuse that power or use it to do something good?

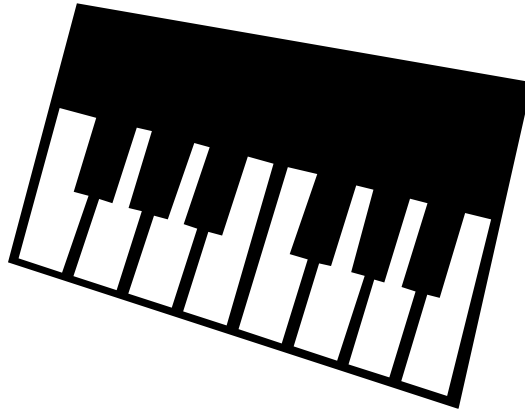


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Saving a Miracle

By: Brenna Sullivan

Katarzjah Noel has been singing since she could talk. She had always wanted to be a big time singer like Ellie Silvering and Goddess (alternative singers). Ever since she was little she loved singing alternative and using incredibly deep female voice. But when she turned fifteen – she figured out what style of music really fit her.

The first singing performance Katarzjah ever did was at her school talent show. She never sang in front of an audience before. The only place she practiced was in her room or outside in an open field – no matter what the temperature was like outside. When she got up in front of her whole school she realized how stressful this actually is. But, she gave it her all and when she was done singing everyone stood up and gave her such a great applause.

After, that day Katarzjah knew that singing was her passion. The next year she joined choir instead of band. She also took her practice time more seriously – which soon replaced homework time. Katarzjah's grades started to fall. Math is the class she has the lowest grade and Language Arts is pretty close to be failing with Math. "If you don't boost up your grades, you will not be able to practice singing anymore. Your education is way more important than singing!" Katarzjah's mom shouts. "It is ridiculous that you are failing some of the most important subjects in school!"

Unfortunately, Katarzjah hears this too much every week. Her parents are always bugging her to work on school work, as well as her teachers and friends. Soon, Katarzjah was done with everyone telling her what to do. She decided that, she was done with everything – even her life.

Mr. Norkington teaches Katarzjah's math class, and noticed that something wasn't right about her. "What's going on

Katarzjah? You seem out of the ordinary. Everything okay?"

"Actually Mr. Norkington, I am failing your class and I am sick and tired of everyone telling me what to do. I just want to sing and my parents aren't letting me because of my grades. I just want to give up." Katarzjah sighs.

After Mr. Norkington found out this information, he got Katarzjah on the right track very quick. Soon Katarzjah had an A+ in Math and in Language Arts.

"I want to help you on your singing career. Lucky for you I know some people who might help you with your future wish." Mr. Norkington stated. "Are you interested in meeting them?" Katarzjah was astounded when she heard him tell her this. "Of course! I would love to meet them!"

Two months after Katarzjah meet Mr. Norkington's music producing friends; she was publishing music on iTunes and all over YouTube!

Thank goodness Katarzjah's teacher confronted her at that certain time, or else she might not still be here today. "I am so fortunate that he talked to me. That was the first day in my life when I knew that something right was happening, and that my dream to be an alternative singer would come true!"



How Music Speaks to People

By: Karleigh Hooyman

Music is a universal language. It speaks to anyone willing to listen. Anyone can understand it and feel the love and rhythm of it. It can help in times of joy and times of sorrow.

There have been many cases where music has even helped the terminally ill people. The patient would be on their death bed and listens to music and recovers. No one knows exactly why it helps and saves. We just know it does.

Music can even help the troubled soul. Depression is a terrible disease and music is an escape. It is like being trapped in a box and music flows through the keyhole and unlocks the box and sets you free. Depression is a very hard disorder to overcome but music gives the boost and helps people get out of the depression.

Music speaks to everyone and anyone. It can be a casual conversation or a deep talk that can change your life. There are so many different kinds of music to fit your mood and personality. There are different artist with different stories to tell.

There are musicians that just don't write a song to get a number one song. They make them to tell a story. They have amazing stories to tell about.

People take music in many different ways. When you are happy you enjoy the music because of the beat and you like the lyrics. When you are sad, you feel the beat and you understand the lyrics. Music can change your mood from upset to joyful in less than one second.

Music is something the whole world can agree on. The music may sound different but everyone gets the same thing out of it. We have love and joy in our hearts to share with everyone. Music can help overcome grudges and fights. It can heal and

mend a heart broken by hatred. Music can help take away the hatred.

Music speaks to every one of us. It speaks to me and it speaks to you. Are you ready to listen?



Demi's Way to Reach out to People

By: Brooke Petrasko

Music is one of the many different ways to communicate to people and send powerful messages that can be heard by many individuals. Music can be used as a way for people to share their feelings and thoughts. There are many songs out there that will help you through rough times in your life. Many people believe that artist have such great lives. The truth is they don't. They have to deal with all the hate comments in the world. Just put yourself in their shoes. What if you were getting all these hate comments and threats and you could not do anything about it. People these days don't care about how others think.

Some music celebrities try to spill all of their hate into their music. Many artist in the world have been bullied since they were little why should they have to deal with it. My friend Demi Lavish had been bullied since she was in kindergarten. All of the bullies stopped once she put her foot down and actually did something about it. Demi Lavish had been cutting herself and crying herself to sleep every night for the past six years of her life from them. She had no friends, and not even a mother to care. All her mother would do was drink and smoke all day. One day she went to school and her choir teacher Mrs. Bates stopped her and said "Demi you have a great voice you should try to right some music". Of course Demi walked away. That night as Demi was sitting in her room thinking about what Mrs. Bates said she got a piece of paper and started writing. Demi soon found out she was very good at writing music.

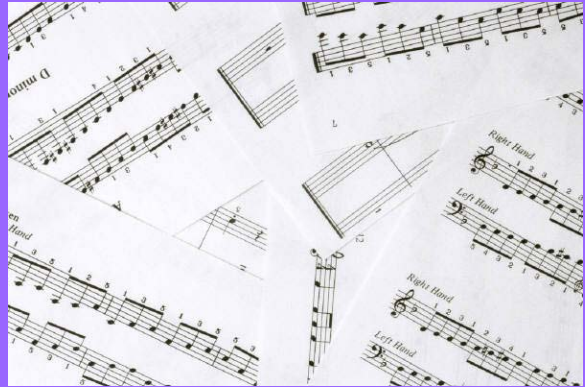
One day she went to a recording studio and recorded her song. Demi named "The Real Me." As months passed Demi got this phone call. "Hi my name is James and I'm from the recording studio called the backlash, would you like to come meet with

me about your song. I love it, you did a great job." Said Jason "YES" Demi said. Demi got ready and was headed to backlash studio. As Demi opened the door to the recording studio her choir teacher was there. "Hi I didn't know you were going to be here." Demi said. "Yes I'm here would you like to start an album with my crew. We have so many great ideas for you. We were thinking you could sing the songs we give to you, so you can sing for people like you. Mrs. Bates said, Demi looked around and everyone had smiling faces looking at her. "Yes I would love that. I know that when I sing everything just disappears" As demi was waiting at her house for her lyrics to the new music she started to begin to think, am I good enough for this? Will I get picked on more?

James walked up to the door and rang the doorbell Demi answered the door so surprised that it was already done. "You ready to make a huge hit single". Said James "Yes but I want to make my own music. I want it to be about me and other people who get bullied I want there to actually be inspiration in my music. I want to help people like Mrs. Bates helped me." Said Demi. "Ok it's your music you can do whatever your gut feel like doing. But do not let me down. I'm depending on you." Said Jason.

A few weeks went by and Demi kept writing and writing all day until she fell asleep. She had written so many songs that were all so sad. You can tell she really put her life into the music she wrote. Demi finally stopped cutting herself and she stopped crying herself to sleep. It is really amazing what music can do to you. Even if you can't sing or anything like that you can still listen to the lyrics of Demi's music and find your way somehow. Demi's music will definitely help you through the tough times in your life. We all hope she can reach out to people through music like her choir teacher

did with her. Now everyone at Demi's school likes her and they're not mean anymore, and they finally understand how she is feeling.



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