



# The Lowell Mason House Music Center

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Dear Supporters and New Friends of the Lowell Mason House:

During a year of great uncertainty, we are confronted with a global pandemic, civil unrest, and a divided nation. What we have discovered is that there are three constants in life. We find that we cannot live without family, community or music. Our organization is dedicated to Lowell Mason (1792-1872) the father of American School Music Education. He would be pleased to see the development of his Medfield, MA birthplace. New to our organization is the mission “to use this architecturally significant house as the foundation to promote Lowell Mason’s legacy through initiatives that support music education, music therapy and music ministry.” The goal of creating programs and a facility that supports music education for all ages gets closer to reality every day. Here is a quick tour:

**House Update** – Tremendous progress has been made since acquiring the house ten years ago. We moved it to a new site on a new foundation, installed a new roof and gutters, new siding, new windows, new doors, and painted the exterior. There is still lots of work to be done, including: connecting water, sewer, electric, and gas lines; installing an ADA approved bathroom; and installing new electric wiring, floors, and walls; and creating handicapped access. <https://lowellmasonhouse.net/projects>

**Annual Competition Update** – The 2020 Competition, “Call for Virtual Lesson Plans”, invites all music educators to submit their best lesson plan by email. The winner will be announced on January 8, 2021, Lowell Mason’s 229<sup>th</sup> birthday. <https://www.lowellmasonhouse.net/lesson-plan-competition>

**Organization with a Mission** – The Lowell Mason House developed a mission statement and strategic plan that we believe will carry the organization through the next phase of our evolution. Central to our mission is connecting the work of music students with music educators in our schools to the greater community through outreach, performances, and programs. Our strategic plan is a working document that we will continue to refine and update in the future. <https://www.lowellmasonhouse.net/about-us>

**Community Outreach** – The Lowell Mason House will continue to provide concert opportunities. This year’s holiday concert will be on December 5 produced virtually on MedfieldTV. We have a new Lowell Mason House Newsletter, and are posting Amazing Artifacts of the Lowell Mason House on our website and on social media. Additionally, you can find the video submissions from last year’s competition on our website, and soon we will post a library of best in class music lesson plans from our current competition. [https://776c5002-51d6-4a5e-b535-b355ca49d401.filesusr.com/ugd/93438f\\_9aac83ae6fae4791b4a86d27a44c1530.pdf](https://776c5002-51d6-4a5e-b535-b355ca49d401.filesusr.com/ugd/93438f_9aac83ae6fae4791b4a86d27a44c1530.pdf)

**We need your support** – As you can see, there were many exciting developments at the Lowell Mason House in 2020. Our plan of creating programs and a functional facility that support music education gets closer every day. Will you help us to advance this dream by donating to the Lowell Mason House? Your gift, no matter how large or small, can become the gift of music to a child . . . to a senior citizen . . . or to a member of the global community. You may make a donation via PayPal or a major credit card by going to our website at <https://www.lowellmasonhouse.net> and clicking on the yellow “Donate” button. Donations can also be sent to: The Lowell Mason House, PO Box 913, Medfield, MA 02052.

**Thank you! All of us at The Lowell Mason House wish you a happy holiday season.**

*Thomas E. Reynolds*

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