

Arts for Learning CT PROGRAM GUIDE

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Students will be inspired with a better understanding of the fundamentals of music.
- Students will be offered a greater appreciation of varied musical styles.
- Students will be shown the importance of a strong musical education in the world of show business.



Blue Jupiter A Capella

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The high energy a cappella group Blue Jupiter will demonstrate their genre of music as they cover the past, present, and future of music.

Genres include: Gregorian Chanting, Barbershop, DooWop, Contemporary, and their own original music.

This interactive assembly will involve students who will be given the chance to sing, make an attempt at vocal percussion, and speak with the group.



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About the Artist & Program Preparations

VOCABULARY: A CAPELLA | DOO WOP | BEAT BOX | SCAT | SATB | BASS | BARBER SHOP QUARTET
HARMONY | CHORAL MUSIC | VOCALESE | GREGORIAN CHANT

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Blue Jupiter is an edgy pop-funk band that has everything to offer but instruments. The winners of Oreos' "Milk's Favorite Jingle Contest" hosted by American Idol's Randy Jackson can be heard on the radio nationwide performing their funky-pop version of the classic Oreo Jingle. Blue Jupiter rocked audiences headlining at VH1's Save The Music event in Oswego, NY, Braking the Cycle (an annual AIDS fundraiser). Blue Jupiter redefines music in the studio and on the stage. Blue Jupiter was also featured on the Lifetime® Channel's show *Pitch Slapped*.

PRE/POST PROGRAM

- Listen to a cappella groups such as: Manhattan Transfer, Persuasions, Sweet Honey in the Rock, Blue Jupiter, Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Chapter 6, Straight No Chaser, Take 6, and Trio Mediaeval.
- What makes a cappella music different from most other forms of music?
- Is the voice an instrument? If so, how can it be used as such?

POST PROGRAM

- Consider going to see a local a cappella group like those at this site: <http://www.yale.edu/sgc/>.
- Even though it is completely vocal, how does a cappella work as a genre of music?

RESOURCES

- www.a-cappella.com/category/century_of_acappella
- www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_cappella
- www.singers.com
- www.gfhandel.org/bleissa/mve/
- www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/

BEATBOXING

- www.acappellanews.com/
- www.yale.edu/sgc/
- www.knowledgerush.com/kr/encyclopedia/A_cappella/
- www.joeyminshall.com/

COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS

English Language Arts Strand: Speaking and Listening

"That was simply terrific!" is how Food Network luminaries **Scott Conant** and **Marcus Samuelsson** described Blue Jupiter's performance. "Absolutely Incredible" says NBC's **Jane Pauly**. **Gene Simmons of the rock band, KISS**, calls Blue Jupiter "the real deal," and 10-time, Tony award-winner, **Tommy Tune**, gushed, "I've waited 78 years to hear a good version of Happy Birthday. Blue Jupiter was the hit of the whole night."



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