



Charlene Delaney and Eileen Garwood

UnSung Project Helps Those in Recovery through Music

After two years of organizing, creating a website, and developing the process, two Purdue University Fort Wayne music therapy faculty members have started the **UnSung Project**. In collaboration with the YWCA of Northeast Indiana, the project recognizes and honors women's journeys through addiction recovery as they express their narrative through music.

"It's working with the women on how they use music in their lives with a goal of helping them reach their own individual music—their essence of how they are in music—while engaging and supporting them in sharing their journey," said Charlene Delaney, B.S. '22, a limited term lecturer and a PFW graduate student in music therapy. "Then it's about using their stories to work in tandem to reach others who have an addiction in their lives."

The program started with an Amplified Arts Grant through Arts United. After meeting with individuals in the music therapy clinic at PFW's Dolnick Learning Center on its north campus, Eileen Garwood, clinical instructor of music therapy, and Delaney created compositions based on the narratives. The recordings are posted on the project's website.

[READ STORY](#)

Flu Shots for Employees Offered On Campus Tuesday

On-campus seasonal flu shots for employees will be available Tuesday from 8 a.m. to noon in the future PFW Center for Healthy Living, formerly called the Campus Health Clinic, which is located in Walb Student Union, Room 234. The shots will be administered by One to One Health from the Purdue West Lafayette Center for Healthy Living.

The vaccine will be provided at no charge to all benefits-eligible employees, spouses and dependents over age 18, and retirees on the Purdue health plan. Employees must bring their Purdue ID with them the day of the flu shot.

IUFW staff and faculty who wish to receive a shot should contact hr@pfw.edu.

Those wishing to receive an updated COVID booster should schedule a shot with their medical provider or pharmacy.

Can't make it next week? Flu shots are part of your preventive care coverage and are covered on Purdue's health plan at 100%. You can receive your shot at your primary care physician's office or in-network pharmacy.

FULL DETAILS

Safety Expo to Start with Emergency Alert Test at 1 p.m. Today

The annual Safety Expo for Purdue Fort Wayne's campus community will be held today from 1 to 4 p.m. on the Science Mall. This is an opportunity for students, staff, and faculty to learn about the important safety resources that are available.

The event starts with a semiannual test of the university's emergency notification system at 1 p.m., which includes alerts that can be sent to mobile phones. For faster notification in an emergency, register your number for [Rave alerts](#). The average time to receive emergency notifications via text is less than four seconds.

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Kayaking on the St. Joseph River was a popular attraction at last month's Rec Fest.

PFW Invites Students to Make It a 'Day on the River' Today

When your university in the Midwest sits next to a body of water, you take advantage of it each fall for as long as Mother Nature allows. That'll be the general idea for Purdue Fort Wayne students experiencing a "Day on the River" today from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Activities in and out of the water have been planned so those who would rather keep their feet on terra firma can still enjoy the scene. Highlights of the day are expected to be kayak races among various PFW leaders, airboat rides, biking, and food trucks serving up a free lunch for the first 500 students to arrive.

[FULL SCHEDULE](#)



Free Tickets to See ‘The President’s Own’ US Marine Band at PFW Available Starting Today

For the first time in five years “The President’s Own” U.S. Marine Band is returning to the state of Indiana, performing a free 7:30 p.m. concert on Oct. 28 at the Purdue Fort Wayne Music Center.

As the premiere ensemble of the Marine Corps, the band frequently performs at the White House delivering on its unique mission: “To provide music for the President of the United States and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.”

Organizers from the PFW School of Music have worked to bring the band from the nation’s capital and make this community event possible.

Free tickets are now available online. There is a limit of four tickets per per order, but you can order as many sets of four tickets as you like. Seating is general admission and ticket holders must be seated by 7:15 p.m.; remaining seats will be released to anyone in the standby line at that time.

[RESERVE TICKETS](#)

Good to Know

Faculty and Staff Portrait Session

If you would like to have your portrait taken, you may do so Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The photographer will be

set up on the north end of the skybridge connecting Helmke Library and Walb Student Union. This is a great opportunity for new faculty and staff to have professional portraits taken.

Featured Events

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. Some opportunities are exclusive to university employees and their families. Check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

SEPTEMBER

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Thurs., 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Employee Well-being at Work: Teatime

Take a 10-minute break from work and join health coach Lindsay Bloom to sample teas and learn about the benefits of tea drinking. Attendees will receive a free mug...

SEPTEMBER

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Fri., 1–2 p.m.

Healthy Boiler Virtual Workshop: Healthy Aging

Registered dietitian Jessica McKeever will cover various dimensions of wellness for those entering retirement. Topics include nutrition, strength training, smoking/alcohol use, regular doctor visits, leisure activities, and cognitive health...

SEPTEMBER

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Sat., 8 a.m.–9 p.m.

Annual High School Juried Art Exhibition

The PFW Department of Art and Design is hosting an exhibition by regional high school artists. The exhibition will be on display through Oct. 29...

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

- Matthew Harris, custodian | Building Services
- Nick Huber, web developer | Communications and Marketing
- Nicki Kitts, senior administrative assistant | Career Development Center
- Meghan Larson, maintenance technician | Student Housing
- Majed Maktari, lab supervisor | IT Services
- Merlyn Nailon, custodian | Building Services
- Andy Walter, senior turf technician | Grounds
- Dan Watson, brand development director | Communications and Marketing

Transfers

- Kenton Ellson, maintenance mechanic | Operations and Maintenance

News Spotlight

A sampling of external news coverage of Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Lower taxes as a population driver: myth vs. reality

The Journal Gazette (subscription required) | Saturday

PFW hosts first-ever mental health summit

Fort Wayne-area media | Sept. 21

Omnibus opening night draws positive coverage

Fort Wayne-area media | Sept. 21

In a Snap

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.



The Doermer School of Business **Career Night** on Sept. 19 brought together Purdue Fort Wayne students and representatives from local businesses to talk about the future.



Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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