

# MOON AREA MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Presents

## *So, You Want to Be a Music Major?*



***A VIRTUAL Presentation with professional musicians and music educators.***

The Moon Area Music Department invites students in grades 7-12 showing interest in becoming a music major to our annual ***“So, You Want to be a Music Major?”*** seminar.

The discussion will include a mixture of topics geared towards students wishing to obtain information about studying music in college. Parents are also welcome to join the event.

### **Topics include:**

- Degree options
- Career options based on degree
- How to prepare for a college audition
- How to select a college/university
- What to focus on as a high school musician

### **Details:**

- **Who:** Students in grades 7-12
- **Where:** Virtual Presentation
- **When:** Thursday, November 19th – 6:00pm

### **How to Register:**

Please scan QR code and fill out the form. A Zoom link will follow prior to the event.



### **Questions?**

Please Contact:

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**Presenter:**  
**Dr. Sean Murphy**



**Dr. Sean Murphy currently serves as Assistant Professor of Arts Management & Entrepreneurship at Baldwin Wallace University, as well as founding area coordinator of Music Industry studies. He was instrumental in Baldwin Wallace University's naming to *Billboard Magazine's* list of Top Music Business Schools for 2020, as well as facilitating guest speakers, partner projects, and internship opportunities for students in this degree area.**

**Additionally, Sean is the founder of Murphy Music Press publishing, celebrated for its "intentional diversity and inclusivity" by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) Board of Directors member and composer Alex Shapiro. Working with many leading composers of the wind band idiom, Murphy Music Press was the print distributor for all three winning works of the composition contests held by the National Band Association, The American Bandmasters Association, and the College Band Directors National Association awarded at the 2019 Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic.**

**As a saxophonist, Sean is a Selmer-Paris performing artist, whose performances have been described as "truly beautiful" by Jamie Bernstein. His debut album, *Rediscovering Bauzin*, was "warmly recommended" by *Fanfare Magazine*, and his articles on saxophone performance, pedagogy, and entrepreneurship have been published in both domestic and international journals.**