

# TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

## AFCF Grant Boosts Music In Our Schools

With the help of a \$2,000 grant from the Angel Fire Community Foundation, Music From Angel Fire was able to bring two outstanding classroom concerts, student rehearsals and classroom sessions to students at Eagle Nest Elementary/ Middle School and Cimarron schools.



Artistic Director Ida Kavafian said of the Music In Our Schools program, “When an organization like Music From Angel Fire provides outreach for students in the schools, it is the impact on those students that is most often mentioned. However, there is an equally important impact on the musicians who are providing the outreach, and in this case it is the Music From Angel Fire Young Artists. The six members of The Brass Project who worked in Eagle Nest and Cimarron each came to me separately to express how meaningful their time with the students was to them as a group as well as individuals. They couldn’t wait to return to New Mexico to work with them again! I truly believe that these experiences will have a lifetime effect on all those involved, the students, the Young Artists and the educational legacy of Music From Angel Fire. I am so grateful to the Angel Fire Community Foundation for its vital support to ensure that this invaluable project continues.”

In March, The Brass Project from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia spent three days with students of award-winning Cimarron District music teacher Pam Towry-Church performing 17 classroom sessions in Eagle Nest and Cimarron. The residency ended with a free concert in Angel Fire.

Then during this year’s Music From Angel Fire summer festival, Curtis Institute’s Young Artist Program participants presented interactive classroom concerts, master classes, student rehearsals and special workshops at Eagle Nest and Cimarron schools, including a Youth and Family Concert at Eagle Nest Elementary with 200 students attending.

Year after year, teachers and family members comment on the impact these presentations have on the students, inspiring them to continue practicing or to consider learning a musical instrument.



The Angel Fire Community Foundation is pleased and honored to have helped fund these educational opportunities for the students of our communities. For more information about the Foundation, please see the accompanying descriptions to the right or go to [angelfirecommunityfoundation.org](http://angelfirecommunityfoundation.org)

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### Mission

Angel Fire Community Foundation strives to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors in the Moreno Valley.

The Foundation helps connect donors’ charitable giving goals with vital community needs while taking advantage of optimal tax benefits.

### Ways to Give

There are a variety of methods and forms of charitable giving. In all cases, the donor can direct gifts to general areas of interest or to specific charitable organizations.

### Ways to Receive

The Foundation provides grants to nonprofit community based organizations for projects in the Moreno Valley communities.

For more information please see :

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