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Music juries challenge students

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While everyone dreads exams, one group of students at WCC has the "exam from hell," otherwise known as Music Juries.

According to Marshalle Lewis, part-time music instructor, the exercise prepares music students for the performance.

Music juries are held the last Friday before exams start. Each student performs 3 selections from 3 different historical time frames from memory.

The judges are 5 applied music instructors.

The student's grade is determined by the average of the adjudicator's grades and the average of the lesson grades given by the applied music teacher.

Applied music students have a one-hour lesson once a week with a certified instructor. The cost in the county is \$250 per semester above the tuition cost.

Students who have to travel outside the county have to pay \$450 above the tuition cost.



Percussionist Tim Heath practices with the chimes in preparation for the Spring Music Concert. PHOTO: VOICE STAFF

Applied music students are required to take 2 hours of the applied music courses every semester they are in school, and are required to perform in studio or in freshman, junior, and senior recitals. Donald Benton will perform on the tuba. Percussion students are Kevin Palaganas and Tim Heath.

Students that perform on the guitar are Matt Clark, Brett Comeaux, and Shannon Howell.



Donald Benton, holding the tuba, and Kevin Palaganas, also standing, listen as James Bynum practices on the piano. PHOTO: VOICE STAFF

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27533-0776 (919) 735-9743 The applied music students are required to practice 12 hours a week during the semester, but most good students will practice more, especially around jury or concert time, Lewis said.

Wayne Community College has 13 applied music students this semester according to Steele Sasser, music instructor.

Students performing on the piano are Betty Grantham and James Bynum.

Voice students include Terry Toner, Cullen Jarman, Kristin Shearin, Chris Hall, and T.J. Kriston.

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