

Positive News 4/7/20

Turning-up the “Volume” on Good News: Music That Can Brighten Your Day and Lift Your Mood

To support healthy mental health and mental well-being in the current environment, it's important to actively seek out positive news and events (and share them with family, friends and colleagues). Here are some recent positive stories of people connecting and sharing the joys of music.

Uplifting Broadway songs are heard around the world:

Ben Platt and the cast of Dear Evan Hansen perform “You Will Be Found.” Watch the cast’s uplifting performance (starting at 3:45 minutes)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=RD_10msPMEick&v=_10msPMEick&feature=emb_rel_end

John Krasinski, star of The Office, returns to highlight some good news (SGN) from around the world...and unveils the perfect #Zoom surprise for his new friend Aubrey. In Episode 2 of SGN, the cast of Hamilton perform live.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oilZ1hNZPRM&feature=emb_rel_end (starting at 10:28 minutes)

Andrew Lloyd Webber will be streaming a production of one of his musicals for free on YouTube each week during the COVID-19 crisis. Lloyd Webber's YouTube initiative to entertain fans – titled "The Shows Must Go On!" – will begin with his 2000 adaptation of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," starring Donny Osmond, Joan Collins and Richard Attenborough. Tune in every Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. ET for a new show (available for 48 hours).

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdmPjhKMaXNNeCr1FjuMvag/videos>

Visibly Connected Virtual Choir Connects Us All:

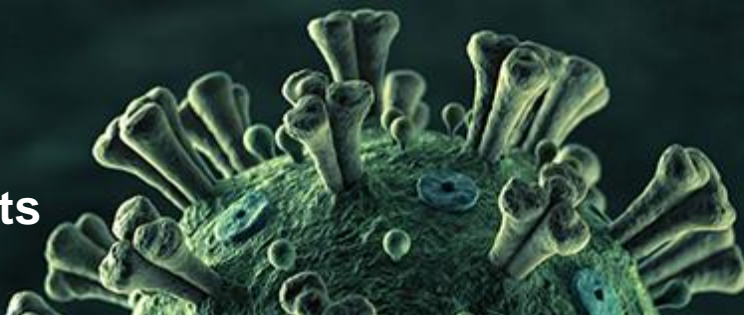
If there's a sliver of a silver lining in these uncertain times, it's music — from free virtual concerts to suggested playlists. Some of the most inspiring efforts we've seen this week comes from virtual performances.

Students from Boston Conservatory at Berklee and Berklee College of Music perform a beautiful rendition of Burt Bacharach and Hal David's "What the World Needs Now Is Love"

<https://www.npr.org/sections/coronavirus-live-updates/2020/03/24/821041006/virtual-love-sweet-love-from-quarantined-berklee-college-of-music-students>



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Camden Voices believes that in a time of physical isolation, it is critical to create new ways to stay in touch and keep doing the things they love. So, with that in mind, they posted their first ever virtual performance of the gorgeous True Colors, recorded straight from their own homes.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lqWQCWc_zCc

Apart in uncertain times, but together in spirit and song, Roedean School choir's virtual performance of Leonard Cohen's Hallelujah is a timely reminder that we are indeed #TogetherApart.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3y51WWrYodI>

And so is CORO VIRTUALE's version

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovwbHsKS6gA>

Boston Children's Chorus, in collaboration with Denver Children's Choir, Children's Chorus of Washington DC, Gondwana Choirs (Sydney) and Cincinnati Boychoir, presents "Rise Up" by Andra Day, spreading a message of hope and unity.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G_YDpP-nU6w

We are all in this together, so let's keep the positive stories – and music – coming.

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