

# COURSE SYLLABUS

**Due by June 1, 2010**

**Course Name:** Music Appreciation

**Instructor:** Ruth Ann Foot

## Course Description

The class will study:

Music of our culture and other cultures

Music from the performer's perspective and the audience's perspective

Musical theatre, opera, film

The power of emotion in music

Music of previous generations

## Course Objectives

The students will:

Understand how the diversity of people in our country results in a wide variety of music

Become familiar with music and composers of other cultures

Will develop their own ability to critique music

Be able to relate musical theatre to real-life experience as well as storytelling through the medium of opera

Understand the development of sound in films as important in the art of storytelling in motion pictures.

Find out how music stirs emotions in all cultures from celebration, pride, death, etc.

Recognize the connection between people and their way of life and the kind of music they create.

## Expectations of Students:

Students should approach the class with a positive attitude and an open mind toward music of many styles and time periods.

Students should come to class with all materials needed and be on time.

Students will be respectful of others.

## Student Evaluation:

There will be written tests and/or music listening evaluations for each chapter studied.

The students will critique music and compare musical styles using musical terminology

Instructor's Signature Ruth Ann Foot Date 05-31-2010