

Heart of Florida Orff Chapter

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Artie Almeida

Saturday, August 26, 2017 * 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

at

Dr. N. H. Jones Elementary School
1900 SW 5th Street * Ocala, FL 34471



Dr. Artie Almeida recently retired after 37 years as the music specialist at Bear Lake Elementary school in Apopka, Florida, where she taught 1160 K-5 students. Her dynamic performing groups have concertized for MENC, AOSA, and on the *NBC Today Show*. Look for The Bear Lake Sound, her premiere performing ensemble, as one of the featured groups in the upcoming music education advocacy documentary *Marching Beyond Halftime*.

Artie was chosen as Florida Music Educator of the Year and was also selected as an International Educator 2006 by the Cambridge England Biographical Society. She was the 1999 Seminole County Teacher of the Year, Runner-Up for Florida Teacher of the Year, a Teacher of the Year at the school level six times and was named as a University of Central Florida Alumna of the Decade.

She served seven years on the Board of Directors of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and was an early childhood music consultant for Walt Disney World. Artie was the saxophone instructor at Valencia State College and the Early Childhood Music & Movement instructor at Seminole State College. She is included in multiple editions of *Who's Who in American Education* and the publication *Great Minds of the 21st Century*. Artie has provided professional development clinics to teachers in 46 states and four countries.

Artie is the author of 36 internationally acclaimed teaching resources, including KidStix, Mallet Madness, Mallet Madness Strikes Again, Parachutes, Ribbons and Scarves, Oh My!, Recorder Express, Adventures with the Orchestra, ten Music Proficiency Packs, as well as four music theory and assessment games featuring the Warner Brothers Looney Tunes characters.

In addition to her public school teaching duties, Artie is an adjunct professor at The University of Central Florida, teaches applied saxophone lessons and performs on historical winds with the renaissance ensembles The Halifax Consort and Ars Antiqua. In her spare time Artie enjoys reading, birdwatching, and traveling with her husband John, who is the trumpet professor at the University of Central Florida.

West Music is providing us special coupons for Artie's materials!



Kick off your school year with this free workshop—it's included in your Heart of Florida membership! (Non-members will be asked for a \$20 donation.)



HOF' Welcome Breakfast

9:00 - 9:30 a.m. - please bring a breakfast item of your choice to share.

Directions to N.H. Jones Elementary School

From I-75, take Exit 352, turn east onto FL SR 40 (W Silver Springs Blvd.); after 1.5 miles, turn right onto SW 21st Ave. Go 0.2 miles, turn left onto SW 5th St., and N.H. Jones Elementary will be on the right.

