

This is a sample of the information sent to each facility for our events. We provided a picture of the leader for the group so it could be posted at the facility to aid in familiarity when he led the event.



Our YOL Percussion Specialist, Jeremy Isley is an assistant professor of percussion at LCU and has devoted significant effort and research to produce these programs for each specific group. The music is tailored to individual group needs and interests. Residents will hear students perform, learn beats and play alongside these youth to produce various fun and memorable drum cadences by the end of the YOL Percussion Circles with the Elder Community Engagement Program session.

We will do multiple sessions at your facility in order to serve all the different people who have signed up to participate. We have two specific programs based on the abilities and needs of the group we are working with. Please be sure to schedule your residents accordingly. Below is a sample format with the desired goal/outcome.

For General needs:

- 1) The students will perform a short piece for the residents, who will be seated in a circle around the presentation.
- 2) Mr. Isley will present information to the group.
- 3) Musical instruments will be handed out to the group and directions given to interact and perform music together. They will learn various drum beats, and work with different rhythms together to form cadences and interesting musical presentations, and accompany with popular music from their generation on a cd player. Note: Those who are able may be asked to stand or move to the music, or sing. Standing/movement is always optional and based on ability.
- 4) By the end of the program, everyone will have learned some interesting ways to use percussion together and give a final "performance" with the group.
- 5) Participants and Staff will provide a short survey review for the event via the handouts provided by YOL.

Pictures will be taken during the event.

For Groups from the Memory Unit

1) Residents and YOL students will be seated in a circle around the presentation.

2) Mr. Isley will present information to the group.

Using more simple, repeating rhythms and easily recalled musical inspirations to accompany the members from their generation.

3) Musical instruments will be handed out to the group and directions given to interact and keep participants engaged. They will learn simple drum beats, and all members will perform the same beats.

4) By the end of the program, everyone will have enjoyed fun social interactions, repeated activities and soothing rhythms, and practice of following cueing interactions between youngsters, the percussion leader, and other Memory Unit residents/staff. Emotional benefits are an ability to gain awareness and expression, while physical benefits include building endurance in a fun, interactive way while promoting circulation and muscle strength.

5) Staff will provide responses for a short survey review of the event.

Pictures will be taken from a distance during the event.

Schedule for these YOL events and locations are as follows:

YOL PERCUSSION: Sunday, Nov 19th from 2:00-4:30 at Wilshire Retirement Community on West 4th Street. Will perform Percussion Circles at:

Wilshire on 4th 6502-4th Lubbock, TX 79416 806-791-0002

YOL PERCUSSION: Sunday December 3rd 2:00 - 4:30 at Wilshire Place on Erskine Senior Living Center. Will perform Percussion Circles at:

Wilshire Place 6410- Erskine Lubbock, TX 79416 806-793-1616

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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