

**25th Annual Troy Bass Workshop
Saturday April 18th, 2009
Athens High School, Troy,
Michigan**



Dear String Bass Student:

This is your invitation to join us for the Troy Bass Workshop this year. This is a unique opportunity for you to get together with other young bass players and play ensembles, get instruction from nationally recognized bass teachers and performers and hear some outstanding bass playing. We will begin registration at 8:30 a.m. The workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. and end with a short informance at 2:00 p.m. in the Troy Athens High School Auditorium.

Our special guest this year is Alex Hanna, Principal Bassist of the Detroit Symphony. Alex was named Principal Bassist after a search that included many outstanding bassist from all over the United States and Europe. He has performed throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. His exceptional artistry and ensemble skills make him one of the outstanding young bassist today. In addition to being one of the clinicians at the workshop this year, Alex will perform and talk about how he developed his career and what its like to be a young player in the Detroit Symphony.

Beside Alex and myself, our other clinician will be John Kennedy. John is a string teacher in the Farmington Public Schools and was formerly the Assistant Principal Bassist of the Honolulu Symphony. He has been nationally recognized for his work with young bassists. He is a clinician at the Richard Davis Bass Workshop at the University of Wisconsin and the Bay Area Bass Workshop in San Francisco, and is the Director of the Young Bassist Program for the International Society of Bassists.

Please join us again for a daylong celebration of our noble instrument. If you have any questions regarding the workshop, contact me at the address below. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

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P.S. The Troy Bass Workshop application is also available on the MASTA website
<www.astamichigan.org>

