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KO Music Camp: A Stage Of Their Own

Local Interactive Music Camp for those with special needs

ANN ARBOR, Mich. – When a young autistic boy named David entered Oz’s Music Environment in Ann Arbor 20 years ago, he inspired the store’s owner and long-time music educator Steve Osburn to create a unique band that offers an opportunity for exceptional folks to engage in music making. Twenty years later, David, now 28, and the band that he inspired, Know Obstacles, are still going strong, and they’re still learning, rehearsing and performing while entertaining and amazing concertgoers across the region.

“After 20 years as an exceptional band of exceptional musicians, the Know Obstacles Music Project is becoming much more!” says Osburn.

Oz’s chance meeting with David also planted the seed that inspired him to create an interactive music camp that premieres this summer at the Riverside Arts Center in Ypsilanti and serves special needs children and adults. Steve Osburn and many others believe this camp fulfills a big need in the region and is a great opportunity to share in the power and joy of music making.

This summer's [Know Obstacles Camp](#) will provide a four-day, hands-on, music-learning environment where musical experience is NOT required, instruments are supplied, and parents and caregivers can participate. Music therapists from Eastern Michigan University will be on hand to work with campers. The camp runs Monday-Thursday, June 27-30, and includes daily musical performances on the Riverside Arts Center's stage. All are invited to fundraiser performances each evening by various groups involved at Oz Music including Treetown Uke Club, Songwriters Open Stage, Steve Oz & Friends and a very special CD launch party of Know Obstacles' original music including jams by camp participants.

For more info, to donate and to register: OzMusic.com

