

11/12/20 CI Music Hour Recap

Hello all!

We enjoyed a wonderful meeting yesterday with guest presenter, Billy Livsey. Billy is a professional songwriter, keyboardist, and producer who is currently based in Nashville, Tennessee. He has recorded and written songs alongside artists worldwide such as Tina Turner, Pete Townshend, Kevin Ayers, and many more.

Our group had the pleasure of learning about some of Billy's work in his studio. He spoke about his songwriting process and demonstrated some of the instruments that he uses, such as the keyboard and organ, to create musical ideas. He inspired us to look for music in our everyday lives, whether it is in the streets, our homes, or backyards.

The highlight of our session involved Billy sharing the musical tracks that he created from the rhythmic compositions that you all submitted to Chrysa a couple of weeks ago. Billy began each track with the unique rhythmic pattern submitted by a CI Music Hour participant and then built an instrumental track on top of the rhythm, reflective of musical styles such as bossa nova, electronic music, and rock. If you submitted a rhythmic composition, you can find your final track edited by Billy below!

Next week, we will wrap up this year's CI Music Hour sessions with a group reflection and open discussion about your experiences. Some questions to think about for next week include:

1. What has been your favorite experience from the CI Music Hour
2. How are you currently incorporating music into your life?
3. In what ways do you hope to incorporate music into your life?
4. What do you hope to see in the CI Music Hour next year?

Lastly, Chrysa and I are looking forward to sharing a compilation of CI Music Hour resources with you all. This way you can continue to practice music listening during our break and throughout the holidays. We will also share a little end of the semester gift with you all!

Looking forward to next week!

Julianne & Chrysa