

## **12/1/22 Music Hour Recap**

This week, we heard from returning performer Logan Hone on the saxophone! He began by showing us his alto saxophone and some electronic tools he uses while performing that affect the sound (e.g. adding reverb). Then, he showed us the parts of a saxophone: the neck, mouthpiece (usually rubber and has a reed), keys, body, and bell (the opening where sound comes out). For his soprano saxophone, however, the bell does not curve as much as in the alto version. Next, we heard more about the history of the saxophone and how it has evolved into what we know today. The next thing we went over was 2 different techniques: tonguing and vibrato. Tonguing is the process of stopping the reed from vibrating for a split second and then letting it vibrate again to add articulation. The two main ways to create vibrato are by moving your lips in a specific way or by using your diaphragm. Another cool technique he showed us is singing into the saxophone, which creates a more growly, distorted tone. To show us even more types of tones, Logan showed us videos of various saxophonists such as Johnny Hodges and Jimmy Giuffre and showed us the various electronic tools he likes to deploy.

## **This Week's Music Hour 12/8/22**

For this Thursday, we will be having a home base session!

### **Notes from Julianne:**

She would like to include some listening recommendations to occasional recaps. This week, we are sharing Mozart's Variations on Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, which would be an interesting exercise in following the melody through all 12 variations:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hCKBI-TpRzc&ab\\_channel=Rousseau](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hCKBI-TpRzc&ab_channel=Rousseau)

Lastly, Julianne would like to include invitations to Susan Bissmeyer's dissertation defense and her own master's defense next week. The work they are both presenting relates closely to the music hour community and would love to have any of you tune in if you'd like! They will both be over Zoom. Here are the details:

Susan's defense:

Tuesday, December 6th at 10 AM PST

Zoom link:

<https://usc.zoom.us/j/7545752819?pwd=OXc1RlMvbjBPaWJhdTFBczdLaGs1QT09>

Julianne's defense:

Wednesday, December 7th at 3 PM PST

Zoom link:

<https://usc.zoom.us/j/93713155480?pwd=YkR5SC9sTDZRUDlyY3JkSG1lYS8ydz09>

Have a great rest of your week!

-Hubert :)