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Two Pianos on Parade coming to Liberty

LIBERTY, Mo. – The fountain area outside Liberty City Hall will soon be home to two of the 50+ Pianos on Parade (POP) that were recently featured at Union Station.

The two pianos, which are expected to arrive on May 27, were the result of collaboration between students at Ridgeview and Warren Hills Elementary Schools and area artists.

"We are honored that the students of Ridgeview and Warren Hills Elementary Schools wanted to share their pianos with the Liberty community," said Jonna Wensel, Community Development manager for the City of Liberty. "How fitting that these artsy instruments will contribute to the festivities of the Liberty Arts Squared Festival."

POP is a program that turns sidewalks, storefronts and parks into piano halls and art galleries using artistically transformed pianos. Artists and area schools have partnered with Keys 4/4 Kids, a local non-profit and the Kansas City Music Teachers Association (KCMTA) to create whimsical, summer fun, and to give attention to the arts and mentoring of our area youth.

Feel free to snap a photo or even play a tune or two. If you stop by, be sure to share your visit on social media with the hashtag: #PianosOnParade. For more information about the program, visit www.pianosonparade.com.

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About Keys 4/4 Kids

Keys 4/4 Kids' mission is to inspire kids to believe in themselves through the arts and mentoring. They have retail stores in Minnesota, Chicago and Kansas City. The organization accepts donated pianos for resale. The profits are then used to fund four charitable programs. POP is an annual program of Keys

4/4 Kids. However, this is the first year for POP in Kansas City.

About KCMTA

Organized in 1915, KCMTA advances the value of music study and music-making for a diverse community while supporting the professionalism of music teachers. KCMTA is a non-profit organization of professional music educators from the entire Kansas City area that continually strives to provide extraordinary opportunities for people of all ages: hobbyists, professionals, and listeners.

KCMTA is celebrating their 100th year of music instruction excellence in Kansas City.