



June 16, 2021

Dear faculty and staff in the College of Arts & Media,

Summer Greetings from the Office of Advancement. My name is Jaime McMullen Garcia, and I am working with Dean Kaptain while a search is under way for a full-time development officer for CAM. Before we have time to even do a Zoom, I need to share an exciting, but time sensitive, opportunity for everyone in CAM.

In 2016, Owen Kortz and Dave Walter started fundraising to create an endowment for a LYNX Camp scholarship. Because of University of Colorado Foundation regulations, the minimum endowment goal of \$25,000 needed to be raised in 5 years. The five-year deadline is fast approaching on June 30, 2021. Pre- COVID, there was a good plan in place to reach the \$25,000 mark by the deadline but sadly, COVID has significantly hurt camp fundraising. In fact, our two biggest annual donors couldn't donate this year.

The good news is that we are almost there. As of a couple of weeks ago, we had raised \$15,000 and had what felt like a daunting \$10,000 to raise. However, we know we can see this endowment to fruition, so we decided to kick it into high gear last week to wrap this up. After several generous donations **this week** from one Dean's Advisory Council member, two CAM faculty, and one staff member, **we now have \$19,000 raised and only \$6,000 to go!**

This isn't the way I hoped to meet you, but with a challenge to support a great cause, comes great opportunity.

If you're interested in joining your four colleagues who stepped forward, please follow this link to make an investment in LYNX Campers—who often turn into CAM students.

[Music Director's Scholarship \(0321884\)](#)

To provide support for the LYNX National Arts and Media Camps in the College of Arts and Media to foster recruitment of camp participants. This fund will be converted to an endowment if it reaches \$25,000 by June 2021.

- Giving online is the most convenient and reliable way to make a gift.
- If you wish to give by check, please include a note with the fund (0321884) and mail check(s) directly to the CU Foundation.

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We only need six gifts of \$1,000 to finalize this effort, but gifts of any size are welcome. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me or contact our team at advancement@ucdenver.edu.

Warm regards,
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