# Using Music to Enhance Communication at Home and School: A Developmental Perspective



Date:	Friday, November 8, 2013	
Time:	8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	SPEECH
Hosted at:	The Center for Hearing and Speech A United Way Agency, 3636 West Dallas St., Houston, TX 77019	
Featured Speakers:	Christine Rocca, MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD Valeri V. Le Beau, M.S., CCC-SLP Amy Cantu, MA, CCC-SLP, LSLS, Cert. AVT	

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

An educational seminar discussing a developmental perspective on using music to enhance the communication skills of children with hearing loss at home and at school. Rehabilitative and educational resources will be highlighted utilizing live demonstration, video, and hands-on training. This seminar is directed towards professionals involved in the provision of services for children with hearing loss, including early intervention providers, teachers, speech language pathologists, audiologists, and therapists. Time will be provided to speak with professionals and manufacturer representatives.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- 1. After this course, participants will be able to list one way music can support communication goals for: infants; toddlers; young children with hearing loss.
- 2. After this course, participants will be able to state an example of a Baby Beats activity that supports parents in interacting with their young child who is awaiting cochlear implantation.
- 3. After this course, participants will be able to describe how Baby Beats and other music resources work in synthesis with the latest hearing technology to support the development of listening and spoken language skills.



## COURSE AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Registration	
9:00–9:15 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions	Jennifer Wickesberg, Au.D, CCC-A, LSLS, Cert. AVT, Director of Audiology, The Center for Hearing and Speech
9:15 – 9:30 a.m.	Early Intervention: Why Use Music Now?	Christine Rocca, MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD, Consultant, Advanced Bionics
9:30–10:30 p.m.	Baby Beats for Babies: Theory & Practice	Christine Rocca, MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD, Consultant, Advanced Bionics Valeri V. Le Beau, MS-CCC-SLP, Consumer Education & Rehab Manager, Advanced Bionics
10:30–11:30 p.m.	Baby Beats for Toddlers: Theory & Practice	Christine Rocca, MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD Consultant, Advanced Bionics Valeri V. Le Beau, MS-CCC-SLP, Consumer Education & Rehab Manager, Advanced Bionics
11:30–12:00 p.m.	Overview of Baby Beats Resource Kit	Valeri V. Le Beau, MS-CCC-SLP, Consumer Education & Rehab Manager, Advanced Bionics
12:00–1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00–2:00 p.m.	Expectations: The Technology, Music, Language Connection	Christine Rocca, MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD Consultant, Advanced Bionics
2:00–3:00 p.m.	Pre-School & School Age: Integrating Music in Therapy & the Curriculum	Amy Cantu, MA, CCC-SLP, LSLS, Cert. AVT The Center for Hearing and Speech
3:00–3:15 p.m.	Closing	Michelle Leach, M.S., CCC-SLP, LSLS. Cert. AVT Consumer Cochlear Implant Specialist, Advanced Bionics
3:15–3:30 p.m.	Questions and Answers	
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn	



## About the Featured Speakers:

**Christine Rocca MMT, MA, PGCE, TOD** is Assistant Principle at the Mary Hare, training Teachers & Speech and Language therapists throughout the UK, providing specialist masters & foundation degree training in Early Years and Deafness. As Director of the Nordoff-Robbins/Mary Hare Music Therapy Unit, she works with cochlear implant centers, early interventionists, and professionals throughout the world to develop (re)habilitation support materials for parents, babies, children, and adults with hearing aids and cochlear implants, including children with additional needs.

Valeri V. Le Beau, M.S., CCC-SLP, the Consumer Education and Rehab Manager at Advanced Bionics, brings a lifetime of personal and professional expertise to the field of hearing health. Working as a teacher for people with hearing loss and a speech language pathologist, she has trained, mentored, and lectured locally and internationally.

Amy Lee Cantu M.A., CCC-SLP, LSLS, Cert. AVT has a Master of Arts in Communication Disorders from the University of Houston. She holds a Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology and is a Listening and Spoken Language Specialist. She has attended several conferences to increase her knowledge base in auditory-verbal therapy, including the Alabama Ear Institute 2007 Summer Institute. She was a co-presenter at the Texas Speech-Language-Hearing 2009 Annual Convention on Aural Rehabilitation for School Aged Children Receiving a Second Cochlear Implant, and a co-presenter at the Texas Speech-Language-Hearing 2010 Annual Convention on The Development of an Auditory Function for Children with Hearing Impairments. She co-submitted a poster, entitled "A Spoken Language Comparison Between Children with Hearing Impairment Who are Bilingual Spanish/English Speakers and English Only Speakers," at the 13th Symposium on Cochlear Implants in Children, in 2011. She has also presented to graduate level classes and Otorhinolaryngology grand rounds. Her CHS responsibilities include conducting assessments, providing clinical services, serving as the Cochlear Implant Speech Coordinator on the cochlear implant team, and managing the hearing aid program in the speech clinic. She is currently mentoring one Auditory-Verbal intern.

#### Registration for this event is FREE; however, you are encouraged to register for this event as seating is limited.

- 1. Visit: : https://www.regonline.com/MusicAndCommuicationHouston2013
- 2. Contact Tami Peña at 800.678.2575, ext. 4726

#### Questions? Can't make the event, but want to learn more?

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