



Background

“Roxbury Rocks! aims to expose children from all backgrounds to free music and dance education. We firmly believe that exposure to the arts shouldn't be a privilege, but a right.”
– Roxbury Rocks! mission statement

Accomplishments

- Teaching partnership with United South End Settlements (USES)
- Partnership with the Roxbury Youth Orchestra
- Case studies with NEU professors

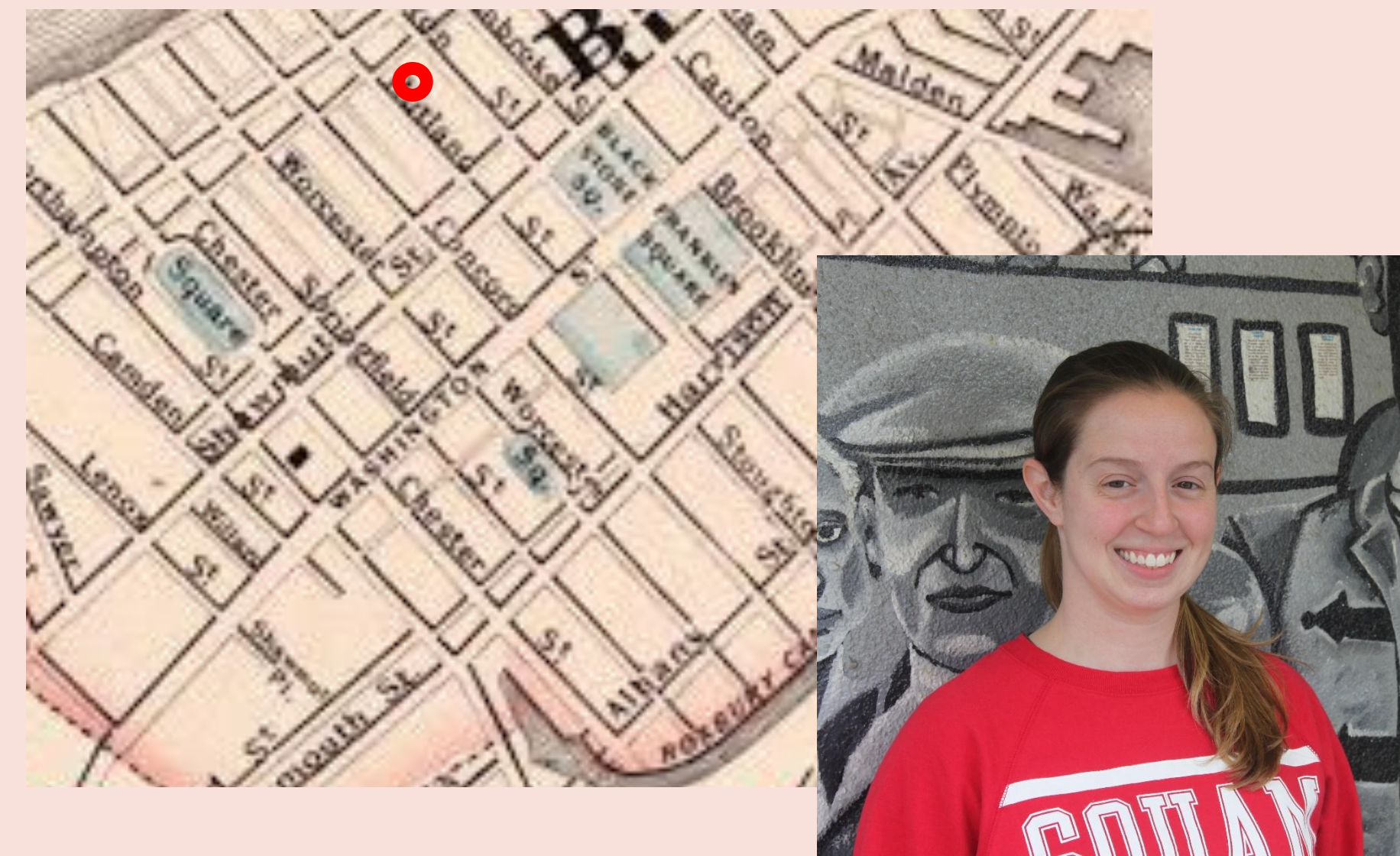
United South End Settlements (USES)

- First settlement house in Boston, est. 1891
- Fosters inclusive community in the South End
- Runs several programs including the after school program, club48, run by Karen Liberatore



Goals for 2018-19

- Revise lesson plan structure based on year 1 and 2 curricula and previous year's feedback
- Update website
- Expand membership



USES' location at Rutland Street and club48 assistant director Karen Liberatore

Results

Lesson Design

- Reintroduce theoretical components
- Maintain thematic structure and interactivity

Melody March 2

Introduction:

- What are your favorite songs? Can you hum them?
- What do you remember from last week? Do you remember what rhythm/beat is?

Lesson:

- Melody is the part of the song that you hum or the part that gets stuck in your head
- Song Examples - [Playlist](#)
 - Ode to Joy
 - Fur Elise
 - Africa, Toto
 - Better Together, Jack Johnson
 - Jolene, Dolly Parton
 - Castle on the Hill, Ed Sheeran
- Can they identify/hum/sing the melody?
- Play a game: stand up and move around when the melody happens, stay sitting when it's just background
- Activity: clap along to the beat - how many counts?

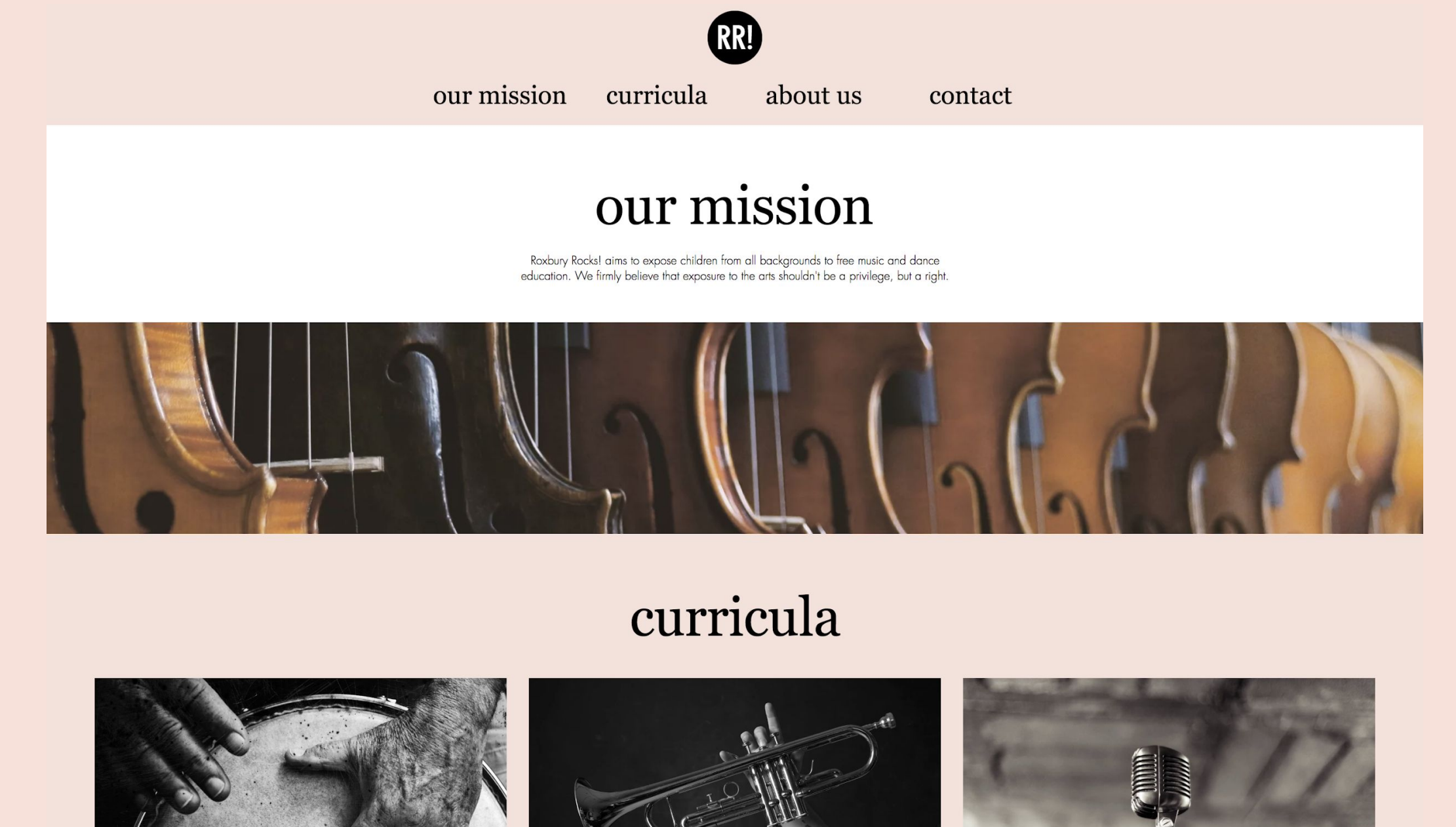
Conclusion:

- How would you describe what the melody is?
- What about the other music besides the melody?
- Preview next class on harmony

Lesson plans include theoretical and interactive components

Website

- Library of past curricula used by our instructors
- Easily navigable with titles and pictures



Social Media Presence

- Posting schedule and new logo

Approach

Lesson Design

- Iterative approach based on years 1 and 2
- Feedback meeting with club48 director, program staff, and instructors
- Additional interactive elements in the curriculum

Social Media Presence

- Expand presence and schedule posts



Roxbury Rocks! lessons encourage reflection and discussion



President Aoun speaks at CGI U 2017, hosted at Northeastern University

CGI University 2017

- Attended October 2017 conference at Northeastern University
- Present project at poster session
- Online curriculum-building tool
- Increased Efficiency**
 - Reallocation of board duties
 - Redesign of meeting structure

Next steps



The board hard at work...

Our Legacy

- Finish uploading previous lessons to our website

Board Turnover

- Vote in new board for 2018-2019
- Revise lesson structure ahead of year 5
- Reapply for USP funding over the summer

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