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SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2023

Dear Student (and Parent):

The purpose of this letter is to schedule students for lesson times for the summer session as well as for fall. While it is a good idea to take a short vacation from the piano, I don't recommend that students take the whole summer off. Students who continue during the summer weeks usually accomplish a great deal.

If there is an area of interest that you would like to cover during the summer session, please indicate this on the form also. Please complete and return at your earliest convenience. You may take a pic of the form and email or text it, or just email or text your preferences. I have several students on a waiting list and would like to schedule present students before new ones. Please try to let me know your plans ASAP so I know when and if I can schedule the students on that list.

During the summer, I will not be teaching *May 27– Memorial Day, July 3 & 4, Aug. 3 – 16, and Sept. 4 (Labor Day).*

Piano tuition for the 2023-2024 school year will remain at:

- 30 minute lesson - \$27
- 45 minute lesson - \$40 (for serious late elem./jr.high or adult student)
- 60 minute lesson - \$52 (for serious sr. high or adult student)
- 75 minute lesson - \$65 (for the serious student)
- 90 minute lesson - \$80 (for the serious student)

The next Practice Chart will begin Tuesday, 9/5. (For those of you who are new, the practice chart runs the 18 weeks of both semesters. Students who log 5 days/week for 16 of the 18 weeks receive a trophy or composer head. With so many students traveling during the summer months, we don't do the official practice chart.). Congratulations to fall semester practice chart award winners: Janet Castro – 1st place, Niko Argante – 2nd place, Miah Oquendo – 3rd Place, Jaden Gonzalez – regular trophy, and Jonah Newton – regular trophy.

Congratulations to Effie Blair on his composition submission to the National Guild – he earned a Superior Plus rating.

Our Guild auditions date is Sunday, June 11 (9:00 – 10:00 am, and will be held at ODU in the Choir Room.

I will continue with the following studio practices:

1. You may opt to continue online lessons as long as you prefer. Some are continuing out of convenience and work well online. You may change your mind in either direction at any time. For face-to-face lessons, I will ask students to do the following:
 - a. Please do not come for your lesson if you have a cough or fever. You may have an online lesson if you wish.
 - b. On entering the studio, use the hand sanitizer provided.
 - c. The sitting room is now reopened (after 3+ years of closure)! Families may utilize it while their student is here.

2. What I will continue to do before & after each lesson:
 - a. Wipe down the keys with Clorox wipes.
 - b. Wash my hands and use hand sanitizer.
 - c. I will continue to run the air purifier in the studio. (It is helping my allergies as well as scrubbing viruses out of the air!)
 - d. If I have a cough or fever, I will cancel your face-to-face lesson. If I cancel, I will let you know if an online lesson is feasible that day.
 - e. I will start touching students' hands & arms again for corrections. Let me know if you do NOT want me to touch your student or you.

3. The PayPal option remains on my website for those that prefer to use that option. (Thank you John for programming that!)

Plan on trimming or filing your nails the evening BEFORE your lesson – yes, every week! If you are healthy, your nails will grow that quickly and need trimming in order to maintain a good hand position. Make this part of your piano assignment please. (Mine are done at least twice a week.)

Just a reminder about parking: you may park in our driveway or in front of our house. I prefer you not park in front of one of our neighbors' houses. Don't worry about blocking both garage doors during recitals or at the "change of the guard" between lessons.

Moving forward, recital times will be one Saturday/month at 4:45, 6:00, 7:00 (adults), or 8:00.

WINSOR PIANO STUDIO
Summer Session Calendar 2023

May

VB Chorale Concert – Saturday, May 20th - 7:00 pm, Sandler Center

May 31st – no lessons – Memorial Day

June

National Piano Guild Auditions – Sunday, June 13th from 2:15 – 5:30 pm at the studio – live Zoom meeting with the judge

June 13th & 14th, I am judging the NFMC National Piano Competition in Norfolk. I do not know the time frame at this printing and how it might impact lessons those days. Stay tuned.

Recitals – Saturday, June 26th - 4:45, 6:00, 7:00 (adults), or 8:00 pm

July

No lessons July 3rd & 4th

Hardwick Chamber Ensemble concert, July 19 at 7:00 pm – Jewish Museum in Portsmouth

Recitals – Saturday, July 29th - 4:45, 6:00, 7:00 (adults), or 8:00 pm

August

Studio Summer Break – August 3rd – 16th

Lessons Resume – August 17th

**SUMMER AND FALL REGISTRATION 2023
WINSOR PIANO STUDIO**

NAME _____

PREFERRED SUMMER LESSON DAY & TIME _____

PREFER Face-to-Face Lessons _____ **PREFER Online Lessons** _____

SPECIAL INTEREST FOR SUMMER:

FUN PIECE _____

INTERNET PROJECT _____

COMPOSER PROJECT _____

SIGHT READING _____

TWO PIANO WORKS _____

PREFERRED FALL LESSON DAY AND TIME: _____

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2019 GUILD AUDITIONS

Our Guild dates this year are **Sun., June 9th from 9:00 – 11:00 am (ODU) & Sat., June 29th - I still do not know the time frame (Marsh School)**. Please let me know if you have a time preference as I do the scheduling. Also let me know if these dates do not work so I can request a make-up time from the chairman.) The locations this year are ODU, Choir Room in the Diehn Performing Arts Center (6/9) and The Marsh School of Music, 328 Office Square Lane, Suite 102, Virginia Beach (6/29).

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

IDEAL TIME: _____

NEED A DIFFERENT DATE: _____

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2021 GUILD AUDITIONS

Our Guild dates this year are **Sun. June 13th, 2:15 – 5:30**, at Winsor Piano Studio. This will be a live Zoom meeting with the judge, and I will need to stay in the studio this time to monitor our computer connection with the judge. (I will miss visiting with the families!)

Plan to arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled playing time. I will come out at get the next student once I have wiped down the keys from the one who just finished. Plan to use the sanitizer on the table by the bench on the front porch before entering. If the weather is nice, I will have chairs set up on the front lawn for drivers to use. While I will be wearing a mask, the student playing does not need to as long as that student & family are comfortable with that.

You won't need to bring your music this year, but please bring your well brain! Your judging sheet will already be with the judge, as I will need to fill it out early and snail mail it to her. Also plan on getting a good night's sleep the night before and eating a good lunch before your audition.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

TIME: _____

DIRECTIONS TO ODU, Diehn Fine Arts Bldg, 4810 Elkhorn Ave., Norfolk:

If traveling north on Hampton Blvd., make a LEFT onto 49th St. Park in the garage just past the football stadium and walk across 49 St., thru the little VIP Parking Lot and enter the Diehn Fine Arts Bldg. The auditions will occur in the new Choral room – follow the signs in the bldg. – ground floor in the new addition.

If traveling south on Hampton Blvd, make a RIGHT onto 49th St. and follow the above.

DIRECTIONS TO Marsh School of Music, 328 Office Square Lane, Suite 102, VB, 23464:

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2020 Levels of Progress

Plan to arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled playing time. Please bring your music (and brain!) with you. Your judging sheet will already be there. Also plan on getting a good night's sleep the night before and eat a good breakfast or lunch before playing.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

TIME: _____

DIRECTIONS TO JORDAN KITT’S MUSIC (formerly PIANO & ORGAN WAREHOUSE), 5164 VB Blvd, VB:

Piano & Organ Warehouse is located on VB Blvd. between Newtown & Witchduck on the north side of the blvd.

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MONUMENTAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 450 Dinwiddie St., Portsmouth – 3/7 only.