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**SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2024**

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 4, Aug. 1 – 14, and Sept. 2 (Labor Day)*.

Piano tuition for the 2024-2025 school year will start 9/3:

- 30 minute lesson - \$28
- 45 minute lesson - \$42 (for serious late elem./jr.high or adult student)
- 60 minute lesson - \$55 (for serious sr. high or adult student)
- 75 minute lesson - \$69 (for the serious student)
- 90 minute lesson - \$85 (for the serious student)

The next Practice Chart will begin Tuesday, 9/3. (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 – 1<sup>st</sup> place, Emanuel Gracia – 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Miah Oquendo, Jaden Gonzalez, Julian Berry – regular trophy, and Jonah Newton, Niko Argante, Dilara Karahan, Michael Berry, and Kane Gonzalez – Honorable Mention

Our Guild auditions date is Saturday, June 8 (2:45-4:45 pm), and will be held at ODU in the Choir Room.

You may opt for 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, please do not come for your lesson if you have a cough or fever. You may have an online lesson if you wish.

I will continue to wipe down the keys with Clorox use hand sanitizer, and run the air purifier in the studio. (It is helping my allergies as well as scrubbing viruses out of the air). 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. Let me know if you do NOT want me to touch your student or you while demonstrating during a lesson.

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.

Recital times will be one Saturday/month at 5:00, 6:00, 7:00 (adults only), or 8:00 (when necessary).

## **WINSOR PIANO STUDIO**

### **Summer Session Calendar 2024**

#### *May*

VB Chorale Concert – Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm, Sandler Center

May 27<sup>th</sup> – no lessons – Memorial Day

#### *June*

National Piano Guild Auditions – Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:45 – 4:45 pm at the ODU Choir Room

June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, I will be in NYC with the Virginia Beach Chorale – we perform in Carnegie Hall Sunday, 6/23.

Recitals – Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> – 5:00, 6:00, 7:00 (adults), or 8:00 pm

#### *July*

No lessons July 4<sup>th</sup>

Recitals – Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> -5:00, 6:00, 7:00 (adults), or 8:00 pm

#### *August*

Studio Summer Break – August 1<sup>st</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

Lessons Resume – August 16<sup>th</sup>

**SUMMER AND FALL REGISTRATION 2024  
WINSOR PIANO STUDIO**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**PREFERRED SUMMER LESSON DAY & TIME** \_\_\_\_\_

**PREFER Face-to-Face Lessons** \_\_\_\_\_ **PREFER Online Lessons** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL INTEREST FOR SUMMER:**

**FUN PIECE** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPOSER PROJECT** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGHT READING** \_\_\_\_\_

**TWO PIANO OR 4 HAND WORKS** \_\_\_\_\_

**PREFERRED FALL LESSON DAY AND TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_