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Spring Recitals

Our Spring Recitals will be held on Saturday, May 10 at Piano Works, Sunday, May 18 at Briarcliff Baptist Church, and Saturday, May 24 at

England Piano.

Each performer will receive a music trophy at the end of the recital. Piano Guild, ABRSM certificates, and "Most Improved Student" awards will also be presented.

These recitals are formal performances and we should observe the following rules:

Be on time. The recital will start promptly. Performers should arrive at least 15 minutes before the recital to be lined up in the order of performance. If you are late, you should notify the teacher at the door, and we can arrange for you to play later in the program.

Dress code. Participants should dress up for the occasion. Boys should wear a dress shirt with a neck tie or bow tie and long dress pants or khakis. Girls should wear a dress, or a blouse and a skirt. Blue jeans, T-shirts, shorts, sport shoes, platform shoes and mini skirts are not appropriate.

Stage etiquette. Students should practice proper stage manners, including bowing before and after the performance.

Manners. Performers need a quiet environment to concentrate and try to do their best. Interruptions like talking and going in and out of the room can bother the performer, as well as the audience members who are trying to listen.

Family and friends are invited. Camcorders and cameras are allowed. Parents, we would greatly appreciate it if you would have someone take care of your baby or toddler at home.



Memorial Day Off

There will be no classes on Monday, May 26 due to the Memorial Holiday.



Summer Semester

The summer semester will start on Monday, June 2. The private lesson schedule will be available in late May. You may check with your teacher or call the office for your summer lesson time.

Since the public schools will begin the fall semester on August 11, we will have the fall schedule in place for the last three weeks of the summer semester.

Please note that the summer tuition payment plan (for June, July and August) is different from the regular semester payment plan. You will pay for the number of lessons received each month, rather than a predetermined monthly amount.

To determine your tuition payment each month, please discuss with the teacher in advance, the number of lessons for the month.

Tuition is still due by the 10th of each month. If you will be away, please mail the check by the 10th.

Summer Schedule



Our summer lesson schedule is set per students' requests. We expect students to come to lessons on their scheduled day and time. It is important that you inform the teacher and the office of your time-off and vacation plans. Lessons will be charged if we do not receive advanced notice of any absences.

You might need to have a different lesson day and time each summer month due to various activities. Please arrange the schedule with the teacher and notify our office in advance. Thanks!



Summer Office Hours

Our summer office hours from June 2 to August 8 will be 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. The office will be closed on Saturday and Sunday. Lesson schedule may be different from the office hours.



Our Seniors

Congratulations to our high school seniors who have continued their music study through high school. Best wishes for success in your future endeavors!

Philip Dollard Lakeside High School
Will attend Emory @ Oxford—Major undecided
Teacher: Kathy Ackermann

Emily Gupta Norcross High School
Will attend University of Rochester (NY)—
Major in International Relations
Teacher: Lois Finlay

Caterina Li Duluth High School
College choice to be determined—Major in
economics and business, minor in music
Teacher: Lois Finlay

Joshua Liu Wheeler High School
Will attend Georgia Tech—Major in Biomedical
Engineering
Teacher: Chiu-May Yu



GMTA Finalists

Our congratulations to the 11 students from Lois Finlay's piano studio and the student from Chiu-May Yu's piano studio who were named Outstanding Performer at the North DeKalb Piano Audition held on March 29.

From Ms. Finlay's Studio —

Timothy Shu 7th Grade
Eric Wan 7th Grade
Donna Guo 8th Grade
Jenny Qian 8th Grade
Richard Wan 9th Grade
Tammy Liaw 10th Grade
Derek Vann 10th Grade
Kelvin Wey 10th Grade
Oudy Yang 10th Grade
Emily Gupta 12th Grade
Caterina Li 12th Grade

From Ms. Yu's Studio —

Ziyu Ding 5th Grade

Our best wishes to these students as they compete at the state level at the GA Music Teachers Association audition at UGA on May 9 or May 10.



Happy Mother's Day

May 11, 2008

Happy Father's Day

June 15, 2008

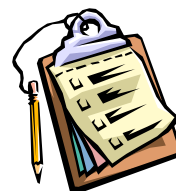


Make-Up Lessons

Just to remind you that you need to schedule your child's one make-up lesson with his/her teacher for the second semester. A canceled lesson is one which your child missed with advance notice given to the teacher. Any last minute canceled lessons cannot be made-up.

Make-up days are May 27 to 31. Only make-up lessons will be taught on those days (no regular lessons).

Fall Registration



It's not too early to talk about Fall registration since many of you will be gone for the summer.

The fall registration package will be mailed to your home in July so you can sign up for the fall semester. The package includes: Registration Form, Academy Policies, Tuition Schedule, and Teaching Schedule. Please send in your registration by the deadline or earlier if you would like to sign up for a specific teacher, day and time. Lesson times will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis.

For those who are not taking summer classes, you need to mail in your registration form and fee by the deadline to reserve a space in the fall semester. Whether you will resume your lessons during the week of August 11 or the first week of our fall semester in September, you need to register early to reserve a space that is convenient for you.

Student News



Aomeng Cui, a piano student of Margaret Liu, achieved Literary Scholar status at Kittredge Magnet School. Aomeng, a 4th grader of the school, is the first student to complete reading requirements for the 4th, 5th and 6th grade levels, all in one year. She read a total of 126 books this year! Congratulations, Aomeng!

Partner in Performance

Our upright piano in Alpharetta is provided by

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