

BEATS BULLETIN

The latest news and updates from Maestro Music Academy

Summer at Maestro Music

SUMMER SELECTION

I look forward to summer every year almost as much as my kids do!

Maestro Music has ALL the scheduling options that you desire, AND three exciting themes to select to enliven and inspire your summer music studies.

Adult students will select a challenge:

Mishmash popular lines from your favorite songs into one cohesive piece

Travel through Musical History **Eras** by song

Experience the wide variety of **Genres** music has to offer

Child students will choose from the following three subjects:

The Monster music includes favorites such as "Beauty and the Beast"

The Popstar explores the world of Pop through classical-pop crossovers

The Composer will, you guessed it, complete or compose a new song

Taking a summer break? PLEASE RSVP!!!! For fall as well as summer.

Scheduling is the hardest part of my job, and it reduces mistakes to have it in one place so I can check off everyone's preferences. -Bonnie

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SUMMER & FALL**

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" - MUSIC IS A WORLD - "
WITHIN ITSELF, IT IS
* A LANGUAGE WE ALL *
UNDERSTAND. *

Stevie Wonder

PERFORMANCE REFLECTION

Outside of Maestro Music Academy, one of my hobbies includes singing with the Oregon Repertory Singers. In addition to being lots of fun, this helps my musicianship and inspires me to grow as an artist.

Recently, we had the pleasure of a series of concerts with the well-known choral composer, Eric Whitacre. Rehearsing and performing music with the input of the composer is always a fascinating experience, and having Whitacre in the room with us proved to be a delight. We have sung his music for years, and often wondered about specific composition choices and placement of dynamics. With humor and great storytelling, he would explain his thought processes behind his decisions. He was also vulnerable with us, in that he freely shared experiences where he failed in his goals. The process of learning from mistakes is critical in music, and it was refreshing and inspiring to hear this perspective from such a successful composer.

Especially exciting was getting his input on one of his most famous compositions, "Leonardo dreams of his flying machine," composed in 2001. The piece combines melodic storytelling with a variety of vocal sound effects. The result is a piece of art that is both triumphantly beautiful and heartbreaking, as it examines the inner turmoil of Leonardo DaVinci - a man who understood the basic principles of flight, but was ultimately unable to construct a functional prototype as the necessary materials did not exist in his lifetime.
-Liz Winship, instructor

RECITAL OPTIONS

We believe that music is meant to be shared with others, not simply inscribed in a book or practiced in a room alone. It's a priority that all students are given the opportunity to perform and that's why our Spring Recital is the only mandatory aspect of lessons with us. Please support your musician by attending! Performance is only half the equation - YOU are the other half.

Even beginner students are expected to participate. You may be a student listener and tune in at the Watch Party. You may send in a pre-recorded video, or attend in-person as a live performer.

CALENDAR

Completed: on-site recital 5/15 and watch party 6/10

*second on-site recital is Saturday June 18 from 3-3:45p at Bethany Creek Park shelter

*students not prepared to perform at any above event will participate as a student listener from the youtube playlist or at the event on June 18. Then give a shout-out to your fav three performances!

RSVP by registering in the student portal calendar ASAP

NEXT UP

Please let us know how you'd like to engage in music this summer!

Past summer experiences have included:

Composer's Coffeehouse

Folk Songs at Farmer's Market

Independence Day Celebration at Retirement Home

Musical birthday parties from the MusicMobile

PHASED RE-OPENING

We re-opened for the third time post-Covid-19 in March 2022 and continue to enjoy in-person lessons in the MusicMobile at neighborhoods in Washington County. We plan to move from Phase B to Phase C over the summer!

Phase A: virtual lessons

Phase B: outdoor at 50% or indoor at 25% student capacity

Phase C: on-site full capacity as desired

Online lessons will remain available.

In-person lessons continue to remain masked with restrictions on singers.

A PERSONAL NOTE



Brigid Kellie Maud Kraxberger joined Bonnie's household in late March.
Welcome, Brigid!

HIGHLIGHTS

Liz Winship is performing as Marcellina in "Marriage of Figaro" with the Young Artist Program in Urbania, Italy in July.

Phoebe Gildea is performing in "Sound of Music" and "Hansel & Grettel" this summer.

CONGRATS

Applause to **Irene, Teegan,** and **Dena** for their live on-site performance on 5/15 at Bethany Creek Park!

Virtual balloons to **Mohan, Raleigh, Avi, McKenna,** and **Susan** for recordings at our watch party on 6/10! Watch it NOW on the home page: maestromusiclessons.org