



Piano Notes

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“When you play music you discover a part of yourself that you never knew existed.”

~ Bill Evans, jazz pianist

Nov. 2nd: Change Your Clocks and Come to the Fall Recital!

I'm really excited about the upcoming recital! You'll hear pieces by Beethoven, Mozart, Debussy, Schmitt, and Brahms!

Please remember that our recital is the same day that Daylight Savings Time ends. Be sure to turn your clocks back 1 hour the night before! If you forget to move your clocks back one hour, you'll actually show up an hour early! 😊

The formal recital will take place at the Brentwood Community United Methodist Church. More information is on page two.

2:45 Recital

Lauren McCallum
Katie Fuson
Sean Lee
Andres Miramontes
Katie Risoen
Brandon Hardwick
Maddie Nye
Keegan Penso
Tiffany Do
Kathryn Waller
Alejandro Miramontes
Kassidy Penso
Alex Nye
Nina Do

4:15 Recital

Adam Smith
Avery Morton
Rémy Gordillo
Lauryn Johnson
Willow Bird
Amy Probst
Maceo Coleman
Brienne Smith
Mathew Sahagun
Mary Hernandez
Lance Coleman
Jacob Smith
Joshua Sahagun
Kaylee O'Neill

Christmas Recital

The Christmas recital is currently TBA. It's not mandatory. If your child would like to perform Christmas music, please contact me ASAP with your top 3 choices dates/times in December for the performance.

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“Housekeeping”

In the last group lesson, we took a minute to cover the “house” rules. As each home has different rules, please review this with your children, so they know what's expected. Thank you!

- ♪ Open & shut the door quickly and quietly
- ♪ Avoid leaning on the banister, as it's starting to loosen.
- ♪ Everyone's already terrific at taking shoes off in the house – thank you!!
- ♪ No hands or feet on the walls.
- ♪ If waiting downstairs, sit quietly on the couch (please do not bounce, climb, lay down, or put feet on couch)
- ♪ It's fine to use the coffee table as a work space. Please, no feet – or rear ends – on the coffee table.

A couple more requests:

- ♪ Children should not use markers unless **highly** supervised by an adult... The toilet was “decorated” on with a red marker.
- ♪ Children under the age of 11 may not be left alone downstairs for more than a minute or two prior to the lesson. Please drop off and pick up promptly.

Quick Notes

- ♪ Tuition Due
- ♪ Fall Recital Nov. 2
- ♪ Group Lessons Nov 24 & 25
- ♪ Studio Closed Christmas Break
- ♪ Lessons resume January 5

➔ Not sure when the next lesson is?

Refer to the tuition page.

The actual dates of your child's lessons are listed there.



Fall Recital

Sunday November 2, 2008

Daylight Savings Time ends at 2am on Sunday November 2nd.

**If you forget to move your clocks back one hour,
you'll actually show up an hour early! ☺**

Where: United Methodist Church 809 2nd Street, Brentwood. Street parking is allowed. There is also a small parking lot across the street

When: Sunday, November 2, 2008 2:45pm and 4:15pm
Each recital will last approximately 40 minutes. You're invited to stay for both recitals!

Arrive: Performers should arrive 10 minutes prior to the recital. (Arriving much earlier will just encourage nervous jitters.) The first performer will play at 2:45pm and 4:15, respectively. PLEASE do not be late, as we must begin promptly. If an emergency arises and you are unavoidably detained, wait to enter the recital until you hear applause.

Dress: This is a formal recital. I highly suggest doing a "dress rehearsal" at home in the clothes you plan on wearing.

Gentlemen: should wear a dress shirt and nice slacks and shoes.

Ladies: if wearing a skirt or dress, make sure it's below your knees when sitting. (You don't want to have to think about anything but your music.) Nice slacks or Capri's are perfectly fine. If you choose to wear high-heels, be sure to practice your music wearing them.

Photos: Group pictures will be taken after each recital. After the group pictures, you're welcome to take individual photos of your pianist. If you will be video taping, please arrive early to set up your camera in the back or along the side aisles.

During any performance, remember to remain quietly seated.

NO flash photography.

→ → → (It's tough enough to play a piece memorized with dozens of eyes staring at you. Any extra noise, flashes, etc. will be even more distracting! Please be mindful of the performers.)

Reception: There will be a reception in the adjoining hall after each recital. Refreshments will be provided, however, if you'd like to bring treats, you are more than welcome to do so. I know the pianists' taste buds would really appreciate it! ☺

If you choose to bring refreshments, place treats for the 2:45 recital on the table in the social hall. Refreshments brought for the 4:45 recital should be placed in the kitchen. Please bring your treats on disposable plates.