



THE MUSIC STUDIO

Solomon Schechter Day School Afterschool Program

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS

At the SOLOMON SCHECHTER DAY SCHOOL AFTERSCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM, students can be immersed in all aspects of music. Whether you want to study a classical instrument in a serious environment, dream of banging out rhythms on the drums, love singing show tunes in the shower, or want to learn to strum your favorite songs on the guitar, we have an EXPERIENCED AND SKILLED MUSIC TEACHER waiting to help you meet your goals.

WEEKLY LESSONS are offered in: piano, trumpet, voice, guitar, drums, violin, cello, saxophone, clarinet, flute, & recorder. The year is divided into two sessions of lessons: Fall (September 19 – December 15) and Winter/Spring (January 9 – May 31).

The fee for a 30 minute lesson is \$39. Lesson fees for Fall 2011 are as follows:

Monday and Tuesday (13 lessons) ~ \$507

Wednesday and Thursday (9 lessons) ~ \$351

The following teachers are available for teaching students this fall:

Instrument:	Piano	Piano	Piano	Piano	Piano
Teacher:	TBA	Jessica Klett	Gretchen Stone	Norma Levine	Linda Papatopoli
Days:		Wednesdays, Thursdays	Mondays gr. K-3 Tuesday gr. 4-8	Tuesdays	Tuesdays

Instrument:	Sax, Flute, Clarinet	Drums	Drums	Violin
Teacher:	Gail McArthur Brown	Phil Neighbors	TBA	Katie Quann
Days:	Wednesdays	Tuesdays, Wednesdays		Mondays, Wednesdays

Instrument:	Voice	Guitar	Guitar	
Teacher:	Lisa Jacobs	Carlton Kish	Jamie Balmer	
Days:	Monday, Wednesday	Tuesdays gr. 4-8	Mondays, Tuesdays: 4-8 at Wells Wednesdays, Thursdays: K-3 at Stein	

If you are interested in enrolling your child/ren in lessons, please fill out the form below and return to Liz Chesarone or email her at liz.chesarone@ssdsboston.org with your request specifying the instrument and your child's availability. If you have questions about scheduling, you can contact Liz at 617-630-4520. We will contact you by email to confirm your child's lesson day/time and payment instructions. You must be assigned a teacher and a lesson day/time before you can register your child online for music.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR FORM EARLY, AS SPACES ARE VERY LIMITED!!!

Child's Name: _____

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Grade: _____ Instrument: _____

Grade: _____ Instrument: _____

New Student: _____ Returning Student: _____

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Attends Extend Day: M T W Th F

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Child is available for Lessons On: M T W Th F

Child is available for lessons on: M T W Th F

PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

_____ We are interested in lessons but have questions, please call us at _____

_____ We are definitely interested in lessons, please sign us up!

OUR MUSIC TEACHERS

Jamie Balmer (guitar): Jamie teaches classical, jazz, and popular music to guitarists of all levels at SSDS and at Music Maker Studios in Brighton. He holds a B.A. from Hampshire College, where he studied classical guitar performance. Jamie performs regularly in duo with classical guitarist Joe Ricker and with his band, The Zero Four.

Gail McArthur Brown (sax, clarinet, flute): A graduate of Berklee College of Music, Gail is an accomplished musician playing with the likes of Don Cherry, Benny Carter, Grover Washington, Mark Siskin and the Scottish National Jazz Orchestra. Gail also directs the Revere High School and Middle School Jazz Bands and has been teaching private music lessons in saxophone, clarinet and flute from beginner through advanced for over ten years.

Lisa Jacobs (voice): Lisa Jacobs currently teaches general music and directs the band program at the upper school of Solomon Schechter Jewish Day School in Newton, MA. She has a Masters degree in contemporary improvisation from New England Conservatory where she studied classical, jazz, and Jewish music as well as vocal pedagogy. She also has a Masters in music therapy and mental health counseling from Lesley University. She has been performing Yiddish, klezmer, and jazz music with local musicians, including the Klezmer Conservatory Band, for many years in the Boston area.

Jessica Klett (piano): Jessica Klett holds a Masters degree from the New England Conservatory. She has performed in master classes with Hungarian pianist Endre Hegedus, Nelita True of the Eastman School of Music, and Dr. Scott McBride Smith at the International Institute of Young Musicians. She has appeared as soloist with the Wheaton Conservatory Symphony Orchestra and in the M. Steinert and Sons Steinway Solo Piano Recital series. As a chamber musician, she performed with Trio Sophisticate in Chicago. In addition to classical music, she has studied and performed Hungarian fiddle and dance.

Carlton Kish (guitar): Carlton, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, has taught guitar privately for several years in the Boston area. He is currently on the music faculty at St. John's Preparatory School, the Brookwood School, as well as the Fay School. He also teaches and performs at The Performing Arts Center of MetroWest. Carlton's easy-going style, and extraordinary teaching skills have established him as a sought-after instructor.

Norma Levine (piano): Norma received her degrees in Music Theory / Composition from Boston University School of the Arts and the New England Conservatory of Music. She is a Massachusetts certified teacher in Music Education with her major focus being the piano. She has taught piano and music theory for New England Conservatory, Emerson College and Hebrew College as well as privately for many years. Norma is a performer, composer, arranger and lyricist using many different genres of music.

Phil Neighbors (drums): Phil attended Morehead State University where he studied percussion and music theory. Phil has been playing and teaching all genres of music for 30 years. Most recently he has been teaching jazz ensembles at the John Payne Music Center in Brookline. His main area of expertise is percussion. He also enjoys playing bass, piano, and guitar.

Linda Papatolli (piano): Linda is a member of the Boston College Music faculty with over twenty-five years of piano teaching experience to children and adults. As a performer she has been acclaimed by audiences and critics for her "warmth and lyricism". Her credits include concerts in the U.S. and abroad, a Carnegie Hall recital debut, and a finalist in the young Artists Competition

Katie Quann (violin): Katie Quann is a violinist of many genres including rock, pop, folk and jazz. Katie is an up and coming classically trained violinist and educator living in the Boston area and is available for private lessons, recordings, performances, and weddings. Playing with singer / songwriters and bands, she is a part of the 'alternative styles' movement that is changing the world's view of what type of music violinists play. As an educator she is dedicated to enriching her students' lives through the joy of music. Teaching students of all ages, she works with her students to incorporate music that motivates and stimulates their interests.

Gretchen Stone (piano): Gretchen received a Bachelor of Music Degree from Berklee College of Music where she studied classical piano, arranging and jazz. She has performed professionally in several jazz combos and classical venues. She and her sister perform in Stone Sisters Jazz, a piano / vocal duo. Gretchen also teaches at Noble and Greenough School and Music Maker Studios.