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Preparatory Music



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www.emu.edu/musiclessons
540-432-4277

Instrumental lessons

piano, violin, viola, string bass, cello, flute, clarinet, saxophone, guitar, brass

Weekly private lessons are offered by instructors who are specialists on their particular instrument. Student placement is determined by the student's and the instructor's schedules. Students may choose 30-, 45- or 60-minute lessons at the discretion of the instructor. Suzuki violin students are required to sign up for group lessons through Book 5 in addition to their private lesson. **Note:** Students are financially committed to a semester (15 weeks) of lessons.

Collegiate Faculty

full time position at EMU

John Fast, piano, recital accompanist—M.M. and Performer's Certificate in Organ Performance from Indiana Univ.

Joan Griffing, violin, viola—D.M.A. Ohio State Univ.

Sharon Miller, administrative director, Suzuki violin, viola, Jr. Strings conductor, Suzuki Pedagogy—M.M. East Carolina Univ.

Lynne Mackey, piano—D.M.A. Eastman School of Music.

Senior Instructors

more than 10 years experience

Elizabeth Brightbill, flute—D.M.A. Indiana Univ.

Christine Carrillo, trumpet, other beginning brass—D.M.A. University of Texas.

Monica Hochstedler Carlson, piano—M.M. Westminster Choir College.

Maria Lorcas, Suzuki violin, violin, Youth Orchestra Conductor—M.M. Carnegie Mellon Univ., Suzuki Teacher Training. (Spring 2011 only)

Les Nicholas, clarinet, saxophone—M.M. Northwestern Univ.

Katie Overfield-Zook, viola, violin—M.M. University of Michigan.

Mark Whetzel, guitar—Studied graduate-level jazz improvisation at JMU.

Lisa Wright, cello, Suzuki cello—B.M. Eastman School of Music, Suzuki Teacher Training.

Instructors

Patty Bird, piano—M.M. Northwestern Univ.

Tara Davis, Suzuki violin, Suzuki piano—B.M.A. Univ. of Western Ontario, Suzuki violin teacher training

John Dull, guitar—M.M. East Carolina Univ.

Lacey Johnson, piano—M.M. JMU

Jonathan Keener, piano—D.M.A. JMU

Jared Stutzman, violin—B.M.E. Ohio State Univ.

Megan Tiller, Suzuki violin—B.A. EMU, Suzuki violin teacher training.

Jeremiah Vallotton, Suzuki violin—B.A. EMU, Suzuki violin Teacher Training

Brian Wahl, string bass—B.M. Boston Univ.

Kelly Wiedemann, Suzuki violin—B.S. Washington Adventist Univ., Suzuki Teacher Training

College Interns

Danielle Furr, Suzuki violin (EMU senior)

Celia Turner, Suzuki violin (high school senior)

See website for teacher bios and additional teachers.

Instruments & Music

- Parents should consult with a Preparatory music teacher before purchasing or renting an instrument.
- Students will be sized for their instrument at the parent & student orientation meeting, at which time options for purchase can be discussed.
- String instruments can be purchased from Tiller Strings in Harrisonburg, Va. (website: www.tillerstrings.com) or locally from parents. Call 540-432-4277 for a list of used instruments.
- Piano students need to have an acoustic or full-size digital piano at home for practice.
- CDs, books, accompaniment books, etc., available at Tiller Strings or Whitesel Music (downtown Harrisonburg). If out of stock, mail-order is suggested. More information is available at the orientation meeting.

Instrumental Lessons 2011-12 Information and Policies

Program Fees/Policies

Tuition Deposit

A deposit of \$150 per student is due with registration. This includes the \$30 semester family program fee which covers all program costs such as administration, secretarial assistance, office supplies and duplicating, up-keep of instruments, etc. The remaining deposit serves as your first tuition payment for the semester.

You will be billed for your remaining tuition balance by the EMU Business Office in October and in March.

Note: You are financially obligated for the full semester, regardless of your participation.

Registration Deadlines

August 11, 2011 and January 6, 2012

Note: Returning students who miss the August 11 deadline will be charged a \$15 late registration fee. You will be notified after August 19 about private and group lesson times. New students are accepted after the deadline on a space available basis.

Payment Schedule

August 11	\$150 deposit per student due with registration
October 31	first semester tuition balance due
January 6	\$150 deposit per student due for second semester
March 31	second semester tuition balance due

Note: Payments not received by the due date will receive a finance charge of 1 1/2% per month (18% APR).

If you feel you need a different payment schedule, please contact the administrative director (540-432-4220).

Payment options: Visa, Mastercard, Discover or personal check (payable to EMU).

Lesson Fees and Options

Note: Students are financially committed to a semester (15 weeks) of lessons. The semester program fee of \$30 is in addition to the following tuition fees.

Private Lesson tuition is based on the teacher assignment:

- College Intern \$16.50/30 min., \$31/hr.
- Instructor \$19/30min., \$38/hr.
- Senior Instructor \$21/30 min., \$42/hr.
- Collegiate Faculty \$25.50/30 min., \$51/hr.

Note: Some instructors are billed at a higher rate than stated above. These are **Joan Griffing, Lynne Mackey** (\$55/hour) (faculty with a D.M.A.), **Lisa Wright** (\$44/hour) and Elizabeth Brightbill (\$60/hour).

Students may sign up for 30-minute, 45-minute or 60-minute private lessons. There are two 15-week semesters per year.

In addition to weekly private lessons, Suzuki violin students in Books 1-5 participate in **group classes** (approximately every other week). These group sessions are \$64 per semester. The classes are 45 minutes long. A tentative schedule can be obtained from the music office by calling 432-4277.

Year-long Pre-Twinkle violin classes are designed for students ages 3-4. They are held in 50-minute sessions, arranged with the instructor, for 14 weeks each semester. Tuition is \$185/semester (based on four students). Violins are not needed for several months.

NEW! Clarinet Super Kids! is a year-long class of 5-10 students in 3rd and 4th grades who are interested in playing a woodwind instrument in their future school band. Students will use a Clarineo (about \$159), an instrument designed for this age group. Classes are 50 min. and run for 14 weeks per semester. Tuitions is \$185/semester. Students and parents must attend the New Family Orientation on August 23 to meet with the instructor, Mr. Leslie Nicholas.

Students in **chamber music groups** will be charged \$150 per semester.

Recital Fee

An additional yearly fee of \$10 (\$15 for teenagers) will be charged to cover accompanist fees for string, wind and brass students.

Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships up to half of tuition are available for families with annual incomes under \$35,000 on a semester basis. Please call 432-4277 for an application which must be received by **August 11** for the fall semester and **December 9** for the spring semester.

Make-up lessons

Each semester will have a designated week for make-up lessons. One make-up lesson per semester will be given only when 24-hour notice is received or if sudden extreme weather conditions occur. Make-up lessons will not be given for any other reason except teacher absence. You are contracting for the teacher's time for the entire semester. Please use your teacher's Swap List for lesson conflicts. Be sure to double check your group lesson schedule and write it on your calendar at home. These cannot be made up and are very important.

Weather Cancellations

If bad weather arises and you cannot come to the lesson contact your teacher directly. No radio announcements are made. Your teacher will be expecting you unless you call.

Swap List

Each teacher is encouraged to publish a schedule of lessons with student phone numbers so that if a student has a conflict, the student can call another family and exchange lesson times.

Phone Numbers

**Preparatory Music Office,
540-432-4277**

Sharon Miller, administrative director,
540-432-4220

Joan Griffing, music department chair,
540-432-4224

Music annex (upstairs)
540-432-4293

Music annex (downstairs)
540-432-4242

EMU Business Office 540-432-4575

Lesson Procedure

Most private lessons are held at the Music annex, corner of S. College and Mt. Clinton Pike

- Be at private lesson five minutes early.
- Bring a note pad to lessons, along with your music and instrument.
- Be at group lessons five minutes early to tune and warm-up. Group lessons are held in Lehman Auditorium.

- If possible, take your child to a practice room before the lesson begins to get the instrument ready and fingers warmed up.

Important Announcements

- A monthly newsletter will be e-mailed with announcements and helpful information regarding your participation in the SVPM Program. Please feel free to submit pertinent newsletter items to the office.
- Announcements and lists of instruments for sale will be posted near Sharon Miller's office and in the annex.
- Visit www.emu.edu/music/preprog

Parent and Student Orientation

Before each semester begins, all new and interested families are encouraged to attend an orientation with the program director and teachers. The following information will be discussed:

- Program policies
- Lesson procedures
- Lesson schedules
- Payment schedule
- Instrument needs
- Suzuki method

First semester orientation is **Tuesday, August 23 at 7 p.m.** in Recital Hall (room 25, Lehman Auditorium). Please bring your child and plan to stay about one hour. If there are any questions, please call 432-4277. Second semester orientation for new students will be **January 9 at 7 p.m.** in Recital Hall (room 25).

Additional Preparatory Music Offerings

See our website for details.

- Junior Strings (intermediate players - no audition)
- Youth Orchestra (advanced players - audition)
- Musikgarten Classes (birth through age 7)
- Suzuki Violin/Viola Teacher Training (contact Sharon Miller)

2011-2012 Instrumental Lessons Calendar Year

First semester registration deadline.	August 11
First semester	August 29-December 16
Fall senior preparatory recital	October 23
Fall recitals.	November 11 and 13
Thanksgiving break	November 21-27
Winter break	December 19-Jan. 13
Second semester registration deadline	January 6
Second semester	January 16-May 4
Teen ensemble concert.	February 12
EMU spring break	March 5-9
Spring recitals	April 13 and 15
Suzuki group concert.	May 6, 4 p.m.



Preparatory Music

Registration Form Instrumental Music Instruction

Registration Deadlines

Yearly or first semester August 11, 2011
Second semester January 6, 2012

Parents' Names _____

Home Phone _____

Address _____

Work Phone _____

City State Zip

Parent e-mail _____

Cell Phone _____

New Family: Parent's social security number _____

Student's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

School _____ Years of lessons _____

Instrument _____

Instructor Requested _____

Length of Lesson _____

Student's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

School _____ Years of lessons _____

Instrument _____

Instructor Requested _____

Length of Lesson _____

Student's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

School _____ Years of lessons _____

Instrument _____

Instructor Requested _____

Length of Lesson _____

Pre-Twinkle Violin Chamber Music

Days/Times available for lessons _____

Days/Times not available for lessons _____

____ Yes, the Preparatory Program may use photos of my child on the EMU website.

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Please read the following, fill out completely, enclose your \$150/student/instrument deposit with this form and mail to:

SVPM, Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA 22802. Checks should be made payable to **EMU.**

I understand registration procedures and program policies. Enclosed is my deposit of \$_____. **Note:** I understand that my financial commitment is for the entire semester regardless of my participation. If there is no space, I will be given the option of being put on the waiting list or receiving a full refund. The balance of my account will be paid by October 31 (fall) or March 31 (spring).

Signature _____

Date _____

Payment Method

check Visa Mastercard Discover Account No. _____ Expiration Date _____

