

Piano News

February 2012

Mini Recitals – Saturday February 25

Steinway Piano Gallery – 13418 E Nora

1:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
Emily Armstrong	Jakob Distel	Julia Farrel
Solveig Baylor	Claire Grubb	Lydia Fender
Emma Bortz	Cale Irwin	Annika Johnson
Nicole Brookshire	Michael McCord	Micah Johnson
Jakob Distel	Alli McKernan	Peter Johnson
Ashley Ellenz	Roman Morelli	George Johnson
Kelsey Ellenz	Gianna Morelli	Ashley Knighten
Genevieve Gaura	Amy Reathaford	May Lim
Makenzie Jones	Olivia Spilker	Blake Peterson
Carrie Schreiner	Sam Stiles	Grace Stensland
Zac Ziegler	Sebi Stiles	Rebecca Sumner
	Simon Stiles	Katie Thieschafer
	Lauren Udlock	

- Please arrive 10-15 minutes before the scheduled performance time.
- Bring the music – even though the students are playing from memory, it's nice to have a back-up!
- Dress is casual, but try to avoid the thick, heavy winter boots. Excess bracelets or rings can make performance difficult, too!
- Each performance will last 40 – 50 minutes. If you arrive and a group is still performing, please wait in the showroom, or you may enter the room in between performances. Please do not come and go while students are playing.
- You are welcome to invite friends & family!

ADJUDICATIONS WEEK – March 5 – 9

Everyone should have received the schedule for Adjudications – please let me know if you need another copy. Some important reminders:

- Arrive on time – the scheduling is tricky and it is important to stay on time. A few of you have contacted me about special arrival times, but otherwise I will expect everyone to be in place at the Check-In Time indicated on your schedule
- Dress Up – making a good impression is important. Students need to sound AND look good. It's not formal, but definitely more than school clothes
- Erase excess marking from the music & BRING THE MUSIC! Erase any marks that you don't want the adjudicator to see (like COUNT, or note names). When you Check-In, I will take the music and place in order for the adjudicator.
- Stay for the entire session that is scheduled. Students can learn from each other, and most importantly, provide support!
- No Regular Lessons for Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday students. Thursday and Friday students WILL receive a lesson to make up for teacher absence on Thursday/Friday, March 22-23.

Musicfest Entries – Due March 1

- For those students entering Musicfest – please be sure to send in the Entry Form by March 1. Fees will double after that date.
- I will be sending home the last of the forms this next week – most of you should already have them.
- For students entering more than one section: Be sure to fill out EACH form completely. When Musicfest receives the entries, they are separated into class numbers, and not by student name.
- You may send one check, though, to pay for multiple classes.

SPRING BREAK

Very few students have let me know that they are gone Spring Break – so I'm counting on everyone else to be here for lessons, at your regular time, to make up for my absence the week before.

The following students are changed:

Carrie & Wayne Schreiner – out of town
May Lim – out of town
George Johnson – out of town
Julia Farrel – out of town

Blake Peterson – rescheduled to different day
Grace Stensland – rescheduled to different day
Kelsey & Ashley Ellenz – time change

Of course, you may have told me, and I've misplaced the information, so please let me know ASAP if you are gone, or would like to re-schedule on a different day or time.

I will be in touch with all students who are out of town, to schedule a makeup time that works for everyone.

SPRING RECITAL

This year the Spring Recital will be held on Thursday May 10. There will be two performances – 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. It will be held in the theatre at Mt Spokane High School and there will be a brief reception following each performance.

There will be a \$17/student, recital fee billed on your May tuition statement to cover the cost of facility rental and reception.

If you will be unable to attend this performance, please let me know right away. It is a busy time of year with many activities. Please check your calendars for conflicts. I am happy to take specific recital time requests, also (either 4:30 or 6:30) but as always – please do not request a specific performance order within the recital time.

Thursday students will NOT have a lesson that day and will be making up that lesson during Group Week – May 3.

CALENDAR SUMMARY:

February 25: Mini Recitals

March 4 – 6: Adjudications

March 7 – 8: Regular Thursday/Friday Lesson – makeup for March 22/23

March 22 – 30: No Lessons

April 2 – 6: Spring Break – Regular Lessons for all students who are in town

April 30 & May 1: Group Lessons

May 3: Thursday lessons – make up for May 10

May 10: Spring Recital

May 14 – 18: Musicfest Northwest – No Lessons

May 21 – June 1: *Regular Lessons* (including Memorial Day)

June 4 – June 8: Conference Lessons

June 11 – June 15: First week of Summer Lesson Schedule

June 18 – June 22: No Lessons – Teacher at WSMTA State Conference!