



Pittsburgh Music House

Music House Monthly

OCTOBER 2024



IMPORTANT DATES

Early Booking Window

(November Group Classes) 10/24-10/31.

Schedule changes to October private lessons due by 10/31.

Recital Prep Master Classes: info on p. 2

11/2, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, & 1:00.

Pre-registration Required.



Winter Studio Recital at Ruckus Cafe

11/22, 4:30, 6:00, & 7:30.

Jorbi Play Date 11/23, 2:00 & 2:30.

Pre-registration Required



WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER!

Thank you for being part of our musical community! Our goal is to bring joyful musical experiences to humans of all ages, experience levels, and learning styles.

One of our greatest joys is collaborating with students and their families to create personalized lesson experiences that meet each student's unique needs and musical goals. Reach out anytime to explore how we can make your (or your child's) musical journey even more enriching!

September Stats:

Taught 297 private lessons (+65)

Taught 24 group classes (+2)

Hosted 12 free trial lessons/classes (+1)



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COMMUNITY UPDATES

Making Our Mark

In October, November, and December, students will have the opportunity to **paint their handprints** on our basement waiting room wall. We've already started and cannot wait until all of our musicians have had a chance to make their mark. We'll message you when it's your child's turn!

Merchandise Available

Have you seen the shirts hanging in our downstairs waiting room? All merchandise is \$10 until we restock. Grab your Pittsburgh Music House shirt today and we'll add it to your invoice next month.

Fall Performance Master Classes

Private lesson families - look out for our Fall Performance Master Class dates in November. In these hour-long classes (\$20), students will have the opportunity to practice performing for each other. They'll also receive tips on practicing, stage presence, and managing performance anxiety before our recital on November 22nd.

Bring-A-Friend Month in Group Class

Group class families who bring a new friend to class in October will be entered to win a free month of unlimited group classes in November. Please let Miss Brooke know when you plan to bring a friend so that we can make sure there is enough room for everyone.

Coming Soon - Lesson Buddies

Collaboration is a HUGE part of music-making. We are workshopping ways to get our students working together. If you're interested in your student having a "Lesson Buddy" to work with, text BUDDY to 412-646-0157 and we'll match you with another studio family. Lesson Buddies will keep each other accountable while practicing, prepare duets together, and have musical "play dates" in the studio.

Automatic Payments

If you're tired of looking for invoices and want us to charge the payment method we have on file automatically (credit cards), text CHARGE to 412-646-0157. We want to simplify the payment process so all you have to do each month is show up at the studio and enjoy lessons!

MINI JORBI'S VACATION DIARY

JORBI'S "PUPDATE!"

Dear Diary,

What a month! I got to listen to ukulele, voice, percussion, and piano students practice their music—it was like my own private concert! I even met one of our student's dogs, who was much bigger than me, but we got along great. We sang, danced, and played together, and everyone took such good care of me. I can't wait to visit more students next month and hear all the wonderful music they'll make!

Woof,
Mini Jorbi

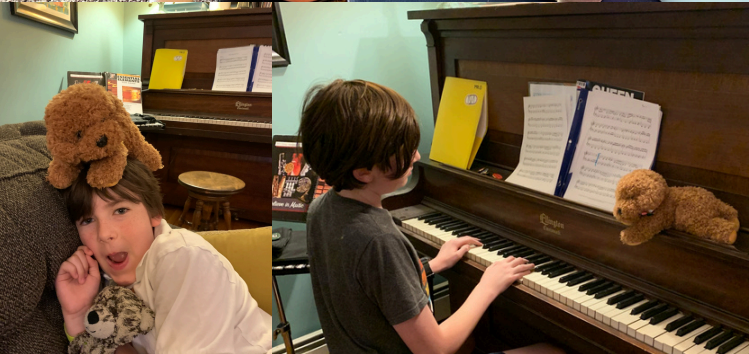
Jorbi Wanders the Studio

Jorbi is diligently training to become a certified therapy dog. He's been practicing calm greetings all on his own, without help from Miss Brooke! He wanders the studio, waiting for his musical friends to arrive. When you enter, feel free to ask Jorbi to lie down to reinforce his good door manners. We kindly ask families to save playtime with Jorbi for his scheduled play date at the end of the month. During lessons, he's there to focus on his job—greeting students calmly.

Helpful Commands

Jorbi will follow your commands if you speak clearly and stand (or sit) calmly.
OFF (if he jumps)
Stay, come.
Sit, lay down, relax.
Shake, spin, roll over.

Can you spot Jorbi in these pictures?



NOTES FROM OUR TEACHERS

Miss Temmy

I am proud that my students are gaining more independence on their instruments. My favorite moments while teaching are when students bravely attempt new pieces without receiving any prompts from me!

As we prepare for the recital, remain calm and practice your pieces for at least 2 days per week (10 minutes on each day). A consistent practice schedule is key for developing confidence!

Miss Noelle

This month it has been so fun to see our students continue to compose fun and original music—keep an eye on the wall for some new spooky Halloween tunes coming soon!

As we gear up for the recital, my advice is not to stress about perfection—just do your best and have fun. It's a joy to be able to make music at any level. To all of the students performing for the first time, good luck—I'm so proud of you all!

Miss Brooke

This month, I've loved witnessing students' 'aha' moments on their instruments. These moments are special because they allow students to fully grasp the results of their practice and perseverance. It's incredibly rewarding to see them gradually piece together what they've been learning and make noticeable strides in their progress.

My advice for students preparing for our recital is to think of the performance as a showcase of what you've been working on in lessons. Think about how far you've come since the last recital (or since you started learning your instrument) and be proud of yourself for your progress!

DID YOU KNOW...

Adult Jam Sessions are basically like karaoke, but with instruments!

If you're looking for a fun night out with friends and have been itching to use some of the instruments you see around the studio to jam to your favorite songs, schedule a session with us! **NO EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED. AT ALL.**

Adult Jam Sessions are offered on most Friday-Saturday afternoons and evenings. They are BYOB, and you can bring between 3-10 friends with you (the cost ends up being about \$20/person, depending how many friends attend).

The first 3 adults to text JAM to 412-646-0157 can add an additional hour to their session for FREE!

All parties can choose 2-5 songs from our setlist, and can make 1 request. We can't wait to see you in the studio soon for the ultimate friends/date night out!

Set List:

How many artists can you name?

And, which songs would you choose for your session?

- "I Gotta Feelin"
- "Mr. Brightside"
- "Piano Man"
- "Wagon Wheel"
- "We Will Rock You"
- "Seven Nation Army"
- "Single Ladies"
- "Hey Ya!"
- "Party in the USA"
- "I Wanna Dance with Somebody"
- "Call Me Maybe"
- "Don't Stop Me Now"
- "Dance Monkey"
- "Sweet Caroline"
- "Eye of the Tiger"
- "Bar Song (Topsy)"
- "Stick Season"
- "Cruel Summer"
- "Red Wine Supernova"

