Pittsburgh Music House

# Music House Monthly

NOVEMBER 2024



## IMPORTANT DATES

Early Booking Window (December Group Classes) 11/23-11/30.

Schedule changes to December private lessons due by 11/30.

**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.



**Closed for Thanksgiving** 11/27-12/2

**Closed for Winter Break** 12/20-1/3

## WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER!

Thank you for being such an important part of our Pittsburgh Music House family! We're incredibly grateful to be surrounded by such supportive families and passionate musicians. Over the next few months, you'll notice some exciting changes and additions to our programs and staff, all designed to bring even more collaborative and inspiring music experiences to our students.

Our goal is to make every lesson the highlight of your week, and we're always here to listen. Please reach out anytime to let us know how we can best support your (or your child's) unique musical journey. We're dedicated to creating joyful, personalized lessons that nurture each student's goals, needs, and interests.

Warmly, Miss Brooke

## Pittsburgh Music House COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### RENOVATION

Keep an eye out for some new musical spaces in the building! We are turning the upstairs of the music house into additional classrooms. We'll be adding a few more teachers to help take students off our growing waitlist. Rest assured, these changes won't affect parking during group classes—new lessons will be scheduled outside of group class times to keep everything running smoothly.

#### PARKING

We understand that parking can often be a challenge at the music house. In the next few weeks, we'll be drawing lines in the parking lot to help guide cars (especially during group class times). We currently structure our schedule so that no more than 7 cars are in the lot at a time. Therefore, to help ensure everyone has a smooth and safe experience, please plan to exit the lot promptly after your class or lesson to make space for incoming students.

#### COMMUNICATION

We've been experiencing intermittent outages with our phone line. If you reach out and don't hear back, please feel free to follow up via email.

#### **Coming Soon - Lesson Buddies**

Collaboration is a HUGE part of music-making. We are brainstorming 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.

#### Making Our Mark

In October, November, and December, students will have the opportunity to **paint their handprints** on our basement waiting room wall. Families may help their children add their handprints to the wall after any lesson or class. Just walk right down the basement stairs towards the restroom and follow the directions by the painting materials.

#### 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.

## MINI JORBI'S VACATION DIARY JORBI REWARDS

#### Dear Diary,

Woof,

Mini Iorbi

The big recital is coming up, and I'm so excited for all my music friends! They sound amazing—I can hardly believe how much everyone's been practicing. I've never heard this much music before, and I'm loving every single note! Next month, I'll be visiting even more kids, and I'm already making my travel plans. I can't wait!

## JORBI REWARDS GREAT PRACTICERS

At Pittsburgh Music House, students can earn "music money" for practicing at home, which they can save up to redeem for prizes—including special time with our therapy dog-in-training, Jorbi!

This month, students spent their music money on fun rewards: some took 2minute breaks to cuddle with Jorbi, others led him in 5-minute training sessions, invited him to sit in on their lessons, and one dedicated practicer even spent 500 music dollars to take Jorbi on a neighborhood walk! Jorbi loved cheering on our students and can't wait to see who he'll get to celebrate next month.



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## NOTES FROM OUR TEACHERS ABOUT OUR UPCOMING RECITAL

#### **Miss Temmy**

I am amazed at the effort my students put in to practice and I am super proud of their intrinsic motivation towards the coming recital.

Students, as the recital countdown begins, I encourage you to feel relaxed and enjoy playing your pieces because I believe you can do it!

#### **Miss Noelle**

This month, my students have impressed me with the extra practice they've put in and the personal touches they've added into their recital songs.

For those performing in the recital, my advice is to focus on enjoying the experience and sharing your music with others. Remember to slow down and take your time with the most difficult sections it's all about you and what you've learned!

#### **Miss Brooke**

On behalf of the teaching staff at Pittsburgh Music House, we are so excited to showcase the creativity, enthusiasm, and progress of our remarkable musicians. Our musical community is made up of students of all experience levels, interests, goals, and learning styles. Some of our performers have been playing music for their whole lives, and some just started two months ago!

Our recital is an illustration of the diverse forms of musicianship we get to hear every day throughout our music house. To the families of our students, we cannot thank you enough for trusting us with the music education of your children. Your involvement means the world, from helping your children practice and overcome challenges to cheering them on as they share their hard work with us today. You're giving them the lifelong gift of music, creativity, and self-confidence, and we are so grateful you choose to make music with us. Thank you so much!



## DID YOU KNOW ....

YOU CAN AUTOMATE YOUR PAYMENTS!

If you're tired of searching your inbox for invoices or receiving reminders from us every month, text CHARGE to 412-646-0157 and we will help you set up automatic payments.

