



18 Week Fall Semester Monday, August 26, 2024 through Saturday, January 18, 2025



### **CURRICULUM**

#### **Music In Motion Classes**

Music in Motion Classes offer young children the opportunity to discover the joy of making music as individuals as well as members of a group. The classes also provide a foundation for development of musical aptitude by exposing children to a musical environment at the two most critical ages (0-3 years and 4-6 years) for maximum growth to be realized in later years. Songs, finger plays, dances, circle games, rhythmic exercises, and whole body movement are incorporated into a positive, cumulative musical experience. These activities also strengthen coordination and increase language skills as well as social development. Creative expression is encouraged which stimulates the imagination. The classes are designed so that students can participate continuously from ages 2-5 and enjoy new songs and materials throughout that time. Classes are drop-off classes; Parents or Caregivers are welcome to wait in the lobby or go shopping!

2-3 year olds

Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 AM

Fridays 9:30-10:30 AM

1 hour per week, maximum number of students per class is 6. Children discover the joy of singing by learning lots of songs while accompanying themselves with various rhythm instruments, i.e., triangles may be played by the children while singing one song; tambourines or sand blocks with another. Rhythm sticks, maracas, drums, castanets, jingle tappers, cymbals, claves, and xylophones also are used. There are songs about fall, winter, dinosaurs, our earth, trains, planes, boats, horses, teddy bears, and nursery rhymes. Songs are sung in Spanish, English, or French. Each week, the children will color a song page to take home.

Please call before registering for class availability.

4-5 year olds

Tuesdays 1-2 PM Saturdays 1:30-2:30PM



1 hour per week, maximum number of students in each class is 8. Learning fun songs, American folk songs, as well as songs from other countries, while playing rhythm instrument accompaniments comprises the majority of class time. <u>Instruments of The Orchestra</u> will be explored through identification by sight and sound. A music folder with pictures and descriptions of the various instruments, and their families, discussed and played in class, will be compiled by each student. <u>The Nutcracker Suite</u> by Tchaikovsky will provide a musical journey for our young listeners, each of whom will make a wreath exemplifying the different sections of music within The Nutcracker Suite. **Please call before registering** for class availability.

# Piano/Keyboard Classes - (5 1/2 - 7 year olds)

### Mondays 5:30-6:30 PM

This class is for students who began instruction in June 2024 and wish to continue.

### Tuesdays 4:30-5:30 PM

These classes are for students who began instruction in June 2024 and wish to continue.

There are 3 recital opportunities at Allegro throughout the year.

### Individual Piano and Voice Instruction

Private piano and voice instruction is offered on all levels to adults and children age 8 or older. Lessons are ½ hour or 45 minutes weekly and are tailored to meet the individual needs of each student.

There are 5 recital opportunities at Allegro throughout the year.

## **Allegro Parent Auxiliary**

Membership is open to all parents whose children are involved in a Children's Chorus, and/or Musical Theater who would like to become involved in "Behind the scenes" activities such as distributing publicity, providing refreshments, sewing costumes, building sets, etc. Those who are interested should sign up in the reception area when classes begin.

### **Musical Theater Workshops**

This program provides an opportunity for exploring many facets of musical theater within a positive, creative environment. A spirit of cooperative camaraderie is encouraged, with the rule of no making fun at another's expense strictly enforced. Students learn the process of preparing a musical production by example and experience. Instruction for the development of improvisational skills and movement on stage through theater games is provided as well as vocal technique and solfege. Set design and scenery painting will be incorporated in the program. Each class will culminate in the performance of the musicals described below. Admission will be charged for each of the shows to help defray the costs of production, including "live" piano accompaniment for performances (no taped accompaniment). Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door. There is no minimum number to buy, but it is hoped that everyone will come out to support our young thespians and singers! Children get to choose the parts they will play. All costumes are provided.

5-7 year olds - "Wackadoo Zoo"

Class meets on Wednesdays 5-6 PM Performance Date: Saturday, January 18, 2024, 4 PM

Lions that crow?! Cows that meow?! How can that be? Come join the fun as a Professor from the University tries to teach some unusual, but very happy, animals their proper sounds! This hilarious play also provides a valuable lesson that different is special. Six lively songs enhance the production.

8-12 year olds - "A Christmas Carol" Class meets on Fridays, 5:30 - 7 PM
Performance Dates - Friday, January 17, 2024 7 PM
Saturday, January 18, 2024 1:30 PM.

Charles Dickens'classic, <u>A Christmas Carol</u>, is told with the addition of music by Walt Disney. Come join Scrooge, his poor but faithful servant, Bob Crachit and his family, the Ghosts of Past, Present, and Future, plus a host of others to retell this famous tale! Songs include "Oh, What A Merry Christmas Day", "Money", "Being Tight is Not All Right" and more!

## Allegro Children's Choir - 14 Week Session



Saturdays 10:30-11:15 AM – September 7 through December 21.

The Choir is open to children ages 7 through 11. A love of singing is the only requirement for joining! There will be emphasis on ear training and solfege, as well as instruction on diction and vocal technique. Repertoire will include songs from Annie, seasonal songs, rounds, spirituals, and Christmas and Hanukkah songs! Several concerts are planned for the fall, as well as HOLIDAY CONCERTS through December. Venues for performance include the Christmas Pageant in Stony Creek, CT, and Allegro!

### REGISTRATION AND TUITION

REGISTRATION – Register by mail or in person \$10.00 registration fee is required for each student for enrollment for the Fall Semester.

(\$25.00 for a family of 3 or more students)

**OPEN HOUSE** for new students- SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, Noon to 3 PM

Music-in-Motion Classes Piano Classes
Children's Musical Theater Classes (5-7 Year Olds)

(Classes that meet 1 hour weekly)

Tuition is \$296.00 for the semester, payable in full, or in 4 quarterly payments of \$74.00 due at the beginning of September, October, November, and December.

Musical Theater Classes for 8-12 year olds (Class meets 11/2 hours weekly)

Tuition is \$384.00 for the semester, payable in full, or in 4 quarterly payments of \$96.00

due at the beginning of September, October, November, and December.

Individual Piano and Voice Instruction: (30 or 45 minute lessons)

Lesson Fee is \$34.00 each half hour, payable monthly, on or before the first lesson of the month.

Children's Choir: Tuition for the 14 week session is \$175.00.

### **POLICIES**

#### **Cancellations**

**Group Lessons:** Please notify the director of a missed class as soon as possible. Music-in-Motion and Piano Class students may take a make-up with another class. Musical Theater students may request information about the session by calling (203) 458-1929.

**Private Lessons:** The time scheduled for your lesson has been reserved especially for you. Please make every effort to keep this commitment. However, if a cancellation is necessary, and if 24 hour notice is given, every effort will be made to reschedule a lesson. If a student fails to appear for a scheduled lesson without giving adequate prior notice, he/she will be charged for that lesson.

### **Termination of Instruction**

**Group Instruction:** Students enrolled in group instruction are expected to finish the semester once it has begun and should make every effort to do so.

**Private Lessons:** It is customary to give at least one month's notice of the decision to discontinue instruction. Failure to do so may result in the student not being able to enroll in future programs at Allegro Academy.

# **LOCATION**

Allegro Academy is located within 1/4 mile of Exit 59 of the CT Turnpike.

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# CALENDAR - Mon., August 26, 2024 through Sat., January 18, 2025

Sunday, August 18	Open House - New Students, Noon-3 PM
Monday, August 26	Classes and Individual Lessons begin! (Children's Chorus begins Saturday, September 7, 2024! - 14 weeks only)
Monday, September 2	Labor Day - Allegro closed
Friday, October 11 - Saturday, October 12	Yom Kippur, Allegro closed
Saturday, October 19	Piano & Pizza Party – all piano students 4-5:30 PM
Sunday, October 27	Piano, Voice & Children's Chorus Recital 1:30 PM
Wednesday, November 27- Sunday, December 1	Thanksgiving Recess, Allegro closed
Sunday, December 15	All School Carol Sing!
Saturday, December 21	Piano, Voice, & Children's Chorus Holiday Concert 4PM
Sunday, December 22	1 PM-Piano Classes Holiday Concert 2 PM-2-3's Classes Holiday Concert 2:45 PM- 4-5's Classes Holiday Concert
Monday, December 23 - Wednesday, January 1, 2025	Winter Recess - Allegro closed (will reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 2025!)
Friday, January 17, Saturday, January 18	Musical Theater Performances
Saturday, January 18	Fall Semester - Last Day of Classes (Private lessons will continue)

Monday, January 27

Spring Semester 2025 begins!