



18 Week Fall Semester Monday, August 28, 2023 through Monday, January 15, 2024

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 Thursdays 10-11 AM

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 5-6 PM

This class is for students who began instruction in June 2022 and wish to continue.

Tuesdays 4:30-5:30 PM or 5:30-6:30 PM

These classes are for students who began instruction in June 2023 and wish to continue.

Thursdays 4:30-5:30 PM

This class is for students who began instruction in June 2021 and wish to continue.

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.

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 building or make-up application 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!

51/2- 7 year olds - "Winter Won't Wait!" Class Time - Wednesdays, 5-6 PM
Performance Date - Saturday, January 13, 2024 4 PM



All of the animals of the forest *should* be preparing for winter, but Buttons Bear and young friends decide it would be more fun to stay awake all winter long and have a party. No hibernating for them! They would rather go ice skating and sled riding and build snow animals! The parents of these youngsters appeal to Mother Nature for help. 8 songs round out the action. Come join the fun and see how Mother Nature solves the problem! Class size is limited to 10 students.

8-11 year olds - "Treasure Island" Class meets on Fridays 5:30-7 PM
Performance Dates: Friday, January 12, 2024 7 PM
Saturday, June 13, 2024 1:30 PM

This "treasure" is a musical adaptation of the Robert Louis Stevenson Classic set in the 1700's. Come share the adventure with young Jim Hawkins and his friends Molly and Jaime in this exciting tale of pirates, pigaloos and buried treasure! Step back in time and meet Billy Bones, Mrs. Hawkins, Long John Silver and a host of other characters while singing song such as *Pieces of Eight*, *Rich! Rich! Rich!* and *Sailing Away!*

Allegro Children's Choir - 14 Week Session

Saturdays 10:30-11:15 AM – September 16 through December 17.

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 Chowder Pot Restaurant, Branford, CT., the live 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 20, Noon to 3 PM

Music-in-Motion Classes
Piano Classes
Children's Musical Theater Classes (51/2-7 Year Olds)
(Classes that meet 1 hour weekly)

Tuition is \$292.00 for the semester, payable in full, or in 4 quarterly payments of \$73.00 due at the beginning of September, October, November, and December.

Musical Theater Classes for 8-13 year olds (Class meets 11/2 hours weekly)

Tuition is \$380.00 for the semester, payable in full, or in 4 quarterly payments of \$95.00 due at the beginning of September, October, November, and December.

Individual Piano and Voice Instruction: (30 or 45 minute lessons)
Lesson Fee is \$32.00 each half hour, payable monthly, on or before the first lesson of the month.

Children's Choir: Tuition for the 14 week session is \$170.00.

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 ideally located within 1/4 mile of Exit 59 of the Connecticut Turnpike.

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CALENDAR - Mon., August 28, 2023 through Mon., January 15, 2024

Sunday, August 20

Open House - New Students, Noon-3 PM

Monday, August 28

Classes and Individual Lessons begin! (Children's Chorus begins Saturday, September 16, 2022! - 14 weeks only)

Monday, September 4

Labor Day - Allegro closed

Monday, September 25

Yom Kippur, Allegro closed

Monday, October 9 thru Saturday, October 14

Parents' Observation Week – Parents are welcome to stay to watch classes

Saturday, October 14

Piano & Pizza Party, 4-5:30 PM

Sunday, October 22

Piano, Voice & Children's Chorus

Recital 1:30 PM

Wednesday, November 22-Sunday, November 26 Thanksgiving Recess, Allegro closed

Sunday, December 10

All School Carol Sing!

Saturday, December 16 Piano, Voice, & Children's Chorus

Holiday Concert 4PM

Sunday, December 17

1 PM- Piano Classes Concert 2 PM-2-3's Classes Concert 2:45 PM- 4-5's Classes Concert

Saturday, December 23-

Winter Recess - Allegro closed

Monday, January 1, 2024

(will reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 2024!)

Fri. & Sat. - January 12,13

Musical Theater Performances

Monday, January 15

Fall Semester - Last Day of Classes (Private lessons will continue)

Monday, January 29

Spring Semester 2024 begins!