Welcome! I am very excited to be working with you through your musical journey. These lessons are for you and your interest in and love for music; therefore, they will be catered accordingly, and based on your level of knowledge in the material. In addition, what we focus on during the lessons will depend on your musical and personal goals, so we can make sure you will get the most out of the experience.

Please read the following guidelines carefully before signing up for the lessons.

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# Lesson Policies and Expectations

#### **Lesson Format**

- Lessons can be offered in-person as well as remotely via Zoom or Facetime. If needed, we can substitute an in-person lesson with an online one to avoid cancellation.
- Lessons are offered individually (1single lesson) or monthly (a group of 4 lessons).
- During our first session, would love to know about your musical goals and what you like to work on during our time together. After that, I will work with you to choose the material. This collaboration and communication will make sure that the pieces/subjects we work on brings you both enjoyment and new information.
- As we move on through the lessons, please feel free to let me know if you would like to work on different materials, or focus on other aspects of the subject! Remember that these lessons are for <u>you</u>, and your interest and engagement are very important for the progress.

#### **Lesson Timings**

- All lessons will be offered weekly. One to two lessons a week are great to start with or continue one's musical education. For all students of all ages, one lesson per week is crucial in order to make progress.
- All Lessons are available for 30, 45, or 60 minutes. If you would like the lessons to exceed 1 hour, please make sure to talk to me during the first session.
- If you are signing up for monthly lessons (4 lessons), please make sure you have planned the days and weeks accordingly so you can have the lessons in <u>consecutive</u> weeks. Postponing lessons or changing the day are possible, however, postponing frequently can seriously affect your progress.

## **Attendance**

- It is needless to say that your attendance is required at every session! Once more, these lessons are for you and your goals, therefore, make sure to attend them in order to make the best possible progress.
- Please be on-time, prepared, and ready to go at your designated lesson time. Tardiness is accepted up to 10 minutes. After that, the time will be taken out of your lesson time.
- If at any time, I myself am late to the lesson, I will make up that time at the end of your session or add it to another week's lesson.
- Signing up for monthly lessons means that you are ready to make the commitment to attend all 4 sessions per month. Please be prepared to attend them all!

### **Cancellation and Rescheduling**

- If you are signing up for monthly lessons (4 lessons), and would like to cancel or reschedule a lesson, please notify me preferably 1 week or at the latest, 2 days before the lesson time. That is because I schedule all my monthly classes ahead of time and if there are cancellations or rescheduling, that could affect the timing for other students' lessons.
- Since the tuition for monthly lessons (4 lessons) is paid ahead of time, if you do cancel a lesson, please make sure to reschedule it.
- For monthly lessons (4 lessons), there will be <u>no refund</u> for missing a session without notification, unless missing the lesson is due to an emergency.
- For monthly lessons (4 lessons), if you miss more than two lessons without notification, we will need to discuss your commitment to the lessons, and I might be forced to discontinue our lessons. Refunds may be discussed.
- If you miss a lesson without notification, that lesson will not be rescheduled and cannot be made up (this applies to both monthly and individual lessons).
- If you are signing up for individual lessons, please notify me up to <u>48 hours</u> before the lesson time if you need to cancel/reschedule it.

# Required/Recommended Materials

#### Piano:

- Please bring any recent or current pieces you are working on, along with pieces you would like to work on in our lessons.
- A metronome or metronome app is recommended.
- Please be prepared with all materials and sheet music for every class.
- You must own a keyboard or piano for the lessons. In some cases, teaching the lessons at my home can be discussed.
- If you have an acoustic piano, that is great. For non-acoustic pianos, please check out the following criteria:
  - o At least 61, weighted keys (strongly preferred) or semi-weighted
  - o With piano stand, piano bench, music desk or music stand
  - Having at least one pedal (the sustain pedal)
  - \*For keyboard recommendations, please contact me.

#### **Music Theory:**

According to your level, I will choose appropriate materials and resources. I will make sure to inform you about important websites, apps, and books and the ones we will need for our lessons.

## **Music Technology:**

- If you intend to work with specific software (music notation, digital audio workstations DAWs), it is notable that most of them have a trial period, but will require payment after that. If you plan on learning about them in our lessons, please plan accordingly.
- It is often best to have the full/premium version of the software, as all the features are available on those versions. However, if you do have limited or trial versions, that is no problem for our sessions.
- Please have a working, charged and ready-to-use computer prepared before every lesson. DAWs and virtual instruments often take some time to load, so please be prepared to start by the beginning of our lesson.

# Tuition, Fees, and Payment Methods

Please look at the following tables for the lesson fees:

## **Children and Teens (up to 16-years-old)**

Lesson Duration	Lesson Fee
30 Minutes	\$40
45 Minutes*	\$60
Monthly (4 lessons)/30 mins	\$140
Monthly (4 lessons)/45 mins	\$220

<sup>\*</sup>For lessons more than 45 minutes for students in this age range, please discuss with me before our first session. Usually, 30-45 minutes is most suitable for students in this age group.

#### Adults (16-years-old and above)

Lesson Duration	Lesson Fee
30 Minutes	\$50
45 Minutes	\$70
60 minutes*	\$100
Monthly (4 lessons)/30 mins	\$180
Monthly (4 lessons)/45 mins	\$260
Monthly (4 lessons)/60 mins	\$380

<sup>\*</sup>For lessons more than 60 minutes, please discuss with me before our first session.

- Payments can be made through Venmo, Zelle, or direct cash.
- ☐ The tuition for monthly lessons (4 lessons) is due at the end of the first session of the month.
- 7 The tuition for individual lessons is due at the end of the lesson.

Thank you for your time and attention! I hope to see you soon in our classes.