

We're so excited that Studio B is rockin' and rollin'!

Our expansion studio is just around the corner from our Milton Avenue music school, right between Snip-its and the Kumon Math and Reading Center. Stop by and check out all the happenings that take place at the studio from 9 - 5 every weekday (musical theatre, tap dance, and preschool music, to name a few). Or stroll by on a Monday night for a peek at rehearsals for our first musical, School of Rock!

Studio B can also be rented for your own rehearsals or private birthday parties.

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Having a Hard Time Getting Students to Practice?

One of the most difficult concepts to master in learning music is the practice time. Traditionally, you are told to play for 30 minutes to an hour every day. We can sabotage our learning of an instrument by thinking we have to put in so much time practicing scales or chords, and that mentality sucks the joy right out of learning. Many professionals practice 8 hours a day, but that's because it's their career. Teachers struggle with this concept when watching students whose progress is slow. Instead, try the "5 Minute Concept." Here's how it works: you build upon the base of practicing five

minutes of just one technique. You master that one thing and it becomes effortless. Then you can add another five minutes of a new technique or exercise. If you sit down with your instrument knowing that you just need to knock out 5 minutes, you're more likely to practice, and you'll likely play longer than 5 minutes without even realizing it! Try it out at home and let us know what you think!

This concept, combined with the Musical Ladder Achievement Award System, works and gets students practicing and motivated!

Celebrating Student Achievement - The Musical Ladder System

Dallas Academy of Music & Performing Arts

is the only music school in the metroplex that gives its students the opportunity to earn special color wristband bracelets (kids and teens love them!), trophies, AND certificates for passing musical tests with the Musical Ladder System. Do other schools offer trophies and certificates? A few. But none of them inspire their students with smiling faces by giving them cool,

full color “Musical Ladder System®” wristbands that they can show off to their friends. When a test is coming up, the Musical Ladder System encourages our students to practice more, making parents and teachers proud. It’s a WIN for everyone!

Here are some of this month’s winners. Testing takes place every 3 months. Check in with your teacher for information on your student’s next test!



- ***Ensemble Concert***

Saturday, November 11th, Bishop Lynch High School

- ***School of Rock Jr., Teatro Theatre***

Thursday, November 17th, 7:00 PM

Friday, November 18th, 7:00 PM

Saturday, November 19th, 2:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Sunday, November 20th, 2:00 PM

- ***Thanksgiving Break***

Thursday, November 24th, CLOSED

Friday, November 25th, CLOSED

Sunday, November 26th, 1-5 PM, MAKE UP LESSONS

- ***Holiday Concert***

Tuesday, December 18th, SMU O'Donnell Hall

- ***Christmas Break***

Saturday, December 24th, CLOSED

Sunday, December 25th, CLOSED

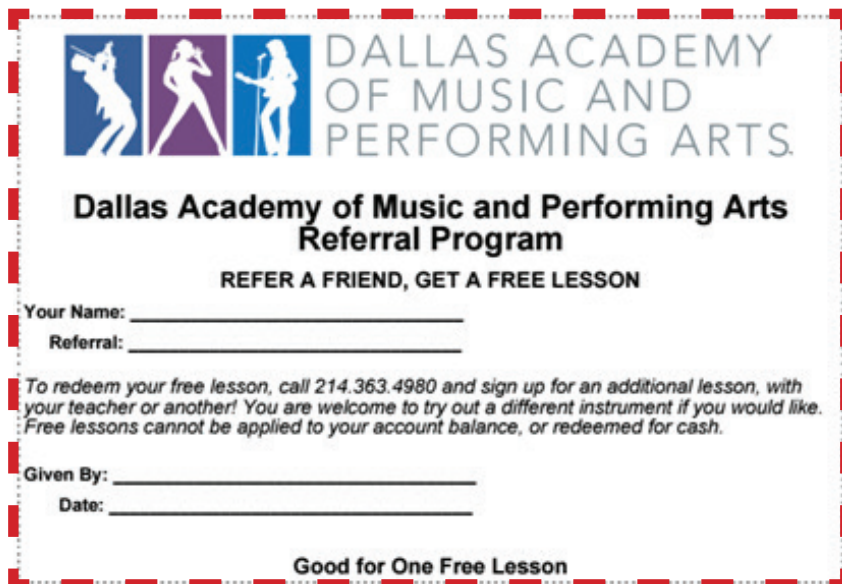
Monday, January 1st, CLOSED

- ***Spring Courses, Classes Begin***

Tuesday, January 3rd

Referral Program

Do you love DAMPA? Well, we love you and students like you! If you know someone who would enjoy taking classes or lessons here at DAMPA, please let them know about our awesome school! When you refer someone, we'll give you a coupon for a free lesson and a chance to **WIN** an **Apple Watch!**



The coupon features the Dallas Academy of Music and Performing Arts logo at the top, which includes three stylized figures in blue and purple. Below the logo, the text reads "DALLAS ACADEMY OF MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS". The main title of the coupon is "Dallas Academy of Music and Performing Arts Referral Program" in bold, followed by the slogan "REFER A FRIEND, GET A FREE LESSON". There are two sets of blank lines for "Your Name:" and "Referral:". A paragraph of fine print states: "To redeem your free lesson, call 214.363.4980 and sign up for an additional lesson, with your teacher or another! You are welcome to try out a different instrument if you would like. Free lessons cannot be applied to your account balance, or redeemed for cash." Below this is another set of blank lines for "Given By:" and "Date:". At the bottom, it says "Good for One Free Lesson". The entire coupon is enclosed in a red dashed border.

The drawing will be held Thursday, December 1st.

A big THANK YOU to all of the families and friends for referring new students!

Please welcome these NEW students who enrolled at DAMPA in September:

Camille C.	Bella M.	Sarah Jane N.
Mason C.	Harper H.	Charlie H.
Harper C.	Chloe W.	Dominic W.
Maggie D.	Dylan W.	Valerie S.
Pearl D.	Jude P.	Chloe H.
Madeline F.	Madelyn M.	Baylee H.
Owen F.	Lily T.	Patrick Z.
Noah F.	Aiyan L.	Brynlee G
Henry F.	Sophia Y.	Samarjeet S.
Katherine H.	Andie Y.	Collison M.
Kim T.	Isabel C.	Maya R.
Meg T.	Allyson G.	Cainan C.
Jenna W.	Bella E.	
Tori G.	Vishal M.	

Congratulations To Our Brilliant Students Of The Month! Keep Up The Hard Work!

Finnegan K.	Hunter D.
London T.	Emmie J.
Mack F.	Ava S.
Sophie E.	Patrick Z.
Maggie D.	Willa L.
Jett J.	

Kid ART ▶

KidArt Dallas is a great neighbor and partner to DAMPA. Tori and her amazing staff of talented teachers and artists helped us roll out Rock the Canvas, a group music and art class every Tuesday in Studio B. If you are currently a student at KidArt and would like to add a musical element to your painting, join us for Rock the Canvas!



Teachers' Gigs

Sarah England

SMU Meadows Chorale Concert
Thursday, October 6th, 7:30 PM
SMU Caruth Auditorium

Ryan Fitzgerald - Polyphonic Spree

Louisiana Music Prize
Saturday, October 1st
Shreveport, LA
Thursday, October 6th, 10 PM
Club Dada

Holiday Extravaganza

Saturday, December 10th
Majestic Theatre

Melissa Priller: Dallas String Quartet

Concert with the Dallas String Quartet
Friday, October 21st, 8 PM
Uptown Theater, 120 E Main St. Grand Prairie, TX

Concert with the Dallas String Quartet and the

San Angelo Symphony

Friday, November 4th, 7 PM
The Stables at Fort Concho

Lynne Nevill - Dealey Academic Strings Concert

Dealey Academic Strings Concert
Wednesday, November 9th and Thursday, November 10th

Is Your Teacher Sold Out?

Many teachers have sold out. If you need a schedule change or would like to be added to a waiting list for a particular teacher, day, or time, please contact any of our office staff team and they can add you to the waiting list. *If you are not a student yet, there are still limited lesson spots available.* To inquire about openings for September or October please send an email to makemusic@dallasacademyofmusic.com.

Guitar

Aurora

Monday: 3 slots, Tuesday: 3 slots Wednesday: 2 slots Thursday: 3 slots Friday: 2 slots
Saturday: 4 slots Sunday: 5 slots

Brett Landrum:

Wednesday: 3 slots Thursday: 4 slots Friday: 2 slots *David Brown:* SOLD OUT

Ryan Fitzzy: Tuesday: 5 slots Friday: 5 slots Saturday: 5 slots

Jake Nice: Monday: 3 slots Tuesday: 2 slots Wednesday: 6 slots Thursday: 3 slots
Friday: 4 slots Sunday: 6 slots Saturday: 4 slots

Piano:

Lynne Nevill: Mondays: 3 slots Tuesdays: 3 slots Wednesday: 5 slots Thursday: 2 slots
Friday: 3 slots

Raymond Okeoke-McCauley: Monday: 3 slots Tuesday: 3 slots Wednesday: 5 slots
Thursday: 5 slots Friday: 4 slots Saturday: 4 slots Sunday: 4 slots

Sarah England: Monday: 1 slots Thursday: 1 slot

Terri Canaday: Monday: 2 slots Tuesday: 1 slot Thursday: 1 slot

Drums:

Bobby Falk: Monday: 2 slots Saturday: 4 slots

Bass:

Brett Landrum: Wednesday: 3 slots Thursday: 4 slots Friday: 2 slots

Violin:

Melissa Priller: Monday: 6 slots Saturday: 6 slots

Flute:

Giuseppe: Saturday: 5 slots

Voice: *Elise Howard: SOLD OUT Lisa Linehan: SOLD OUT*

Sarah Matajasik: Thursday: 4 slots Friday: 5 slots

Diana Gale: Monday: 2 slots, Tuesday: 3 slots, Wednesday: 4 slots

Lynn Ambrose: Tuesday: 1 slot Wednesday: 1 slot Thursday: 1 slots Friday: 3 slots

Private Tap & Dance Lesson:

Traci Kern: Friday: 4 slots

Jeremy Dumont: Thursday: 1 slot Saturday: 3 slots

Acting:

CJ Critt: Tuesday: 2 slots

Jake Nice: Monday: 3 slots Tuesday: 2 slots Wednesday: 6 slots Thursday: 3 slots
Friday: 4 slots Sunday: 6 slots Saturday: 4 slots

Dari Hayes: Most evenings: 5 slots Sunday: 4 slots

Contact us at 214.363.4980 for additional information!