

# Studio News & Views


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**APRIL 2021**

<p><u>MARCH 2021 LESSON SCHEDULE</u>                  Mondays - 4 lessons Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22 (off 3/15, 3/29)                  Tuesdays - 4 lessons Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23 (off 3/30)                  Wednesdays - 3 lessons Mar. 3, 10 &amp; 24 (off 3/17 &amp; 3/31)                  Thursdays - 3 lessons Mar. 4, 11 &amp; 25 (off 3/18)                  Fridays - 3 lessons Mar. 5, 12 &amp; 26 (off 3/19)</p> <p><u>APRIL 2021 LESSON SCHEDULE</u>                  Mondays - 4 lessons April 5, 12, 19 &amp; 26                  Tuesdays - 4 lessons April 6, 13, 20 &amp; 27                  Wednesdays - 4 lessons April 7, 14, 21 &amp; 28                  Thursdays - 4 lessons April 8, 15, 22 &amp; 29 (off 4/1)                  Fridays - 4 lessons April 9, 16, 23 &amp; 30 (off 4/2)</p> <p><i>(Students enrolled in group lessons will have a group lesson instead of private lesson the first full week of April. See group lesson information to the right.)</i></p> <hr/> <p><u>MAY 2021 LESSON SCHEDULE</u>                  Mondays - 4 lessons May 3, 10, 17 &amp; 24 (off 5/31)                  Tuesdays - 4 lessons May 4, 11, 18 &amp; 25                  Wednesdays - 4 lessons May 5, 12, 19 &amp; 26                  Thursdays - 4 lessons May 6, 13, 20 &amp; 27                  Fridays - 3 lessons May 7, 14 &amp; 21 (off 5/28)</p> <p><i>(Students enrolled in group lessons will have a group lesson instead of private lesson the first full week of May. See group lesson information to the right.)</i></p>	<p><u>VIRTUAL GROUP MUSIC LESSONS</u> over Zoom for Elementary &amp; Middle School-aged Piano &amp; Voice note-reading students are available for the first full weeks of April, May and June 2021. Families of interested students must contact me by Monday, March 22nd. Group lesson schedules will be created based on student availability. An availability chart will be sent to families and I will contact students who participated in group lessons the last time they were offered which was in the Fall of 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A group lesson is 3-4 piano &amp; voice students meeting together for the purpose of sharing music in a positive learning environment. Group lessons are not required but can be an enjoyable option to private lessons during group week. Group students will have regular private lessons the remaining weeks of the months. Students who do not wish to participate in group lessons will have regular private lessons as scheduled. The tuition cost for both formats is the same.</li> <li>• A reliable tablet or laptop is needed with internet connection to Zoom. Cameras will be positioned so we can see the performer's face and hands.</li> <li>• We will play or sing a "work in progress" and positively critique each other's performance. A piece that is a "work in progress" is not perfected, memorized or stickered. The remaining time will be other music activities and games. Each month will cover a different music theory topic.</li> </ul>
<p><u>CONGRATULATIONS TO ACHIEVEMENT IN MUSIC PARTICIPANTS!</u>                  Achievement in Music is a multi-level music Theory and Performance exam written by the Illinois State Music Teachers Association and available to private lesson student across Illinois and neighboring states. The following students received high marks, completing the level listed next to their name and are eligible to participate at the next higher level Fall 2021 (Level 3 or higher) and Spring 2022.</p> <p>Cate M. .... Level 1A                  Christian G. .... Level 4                  Fiona F. .... Level 1B                  Gabriel T. .... Level 1B                  Ian S. .... Level 1A                  Lucas L. .... Level 4                  Mathis C. .... Level 2                  Olivia R. .... Level 1A                  Sonya A. .... Level 1A                  Sophia V. .... Level 1B                  Tommy G. .... Level 3</p>	<p><u>2021 PIANO &amp; VOICE VIRTUAL CONCERT</u>                  Mid-January brought the change from holding an in-person concert to a pre-recorded virtual event.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. One or two pieces were selected for participating students.</li> <li>2. Families will take videos of their children performing their pieces using any smart phone. Please take one video per piece. It's best to be able to see your child's face and hands from a close distance.</li> <li>3. Students will say their name and the name of the piece clearly before they start playing. I do not plan to create paper programs.</li> <li>4. The deadline to upload videos is Friday, March 26 Drive using this link which was also emailed to families March 8<sup>th</sup>:</li> <li>5. An album will be created on studio Facebook page after all recordings are received. Consider liking "Diane Lindsay Piano &amp; Voice" to be notified when the album is available and see other encouraging posts.</li> </ol>
<p><i>Zoom and In-Person lessons will continue as currently scheduled until April 30<sup>th</sup>. Anyone who wants to change from Zoom to in-person, or vice versa, please let me know.</i></p>	<p><b>ARE YOU RUNNING LATE OR HAVE A LAST-MINUTE CANCELLATION? – TEXT ME AT 630-363-7513!</b></p> 

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</b></p> <p>Henry B.....February 26  Lucas L.....April 12  Emily M.....April 15  Mira M..... April 16  Mila K..... April 27</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LESSON ANNIVERSARIES</b>  None in April</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TUITION INFO. &amp; REMINDERS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>April invoices will be emailed the week of March 15th and will be due at the last lesson in March or week of March 22nd. A \$10 late fee will be charged if payments are not received within 7 days after the due date. Checks, QuickPay, Zelle and Venmo are accepted. Use phone number 630-363-7513 or email <a href="mailto:dianemlindsay@live.com">dianemlindsay@live.com</a>. Make your checks payable to "DIANE LINDSAY PIANO &amp; VOICE".</li> <li>Cash and WSB Fast Pay are not accepted at this time.</li> </ul>														
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DROP-OFF REMINDERS</b></p> <p>Please arrive on-time for in-person lessons, wait with your child for the porch light to be turned on, and wait for your child to safely enter my home before leaving the area. Time is needed between lessons to clean and get ready for their lesson.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OPENINGS LIST as of 3/15/21</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td><b>TUES.</b></td> <td><b>WED.</b></td> <td><b>THURS.</b></td> <td><b>FRI.</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:15-1:45 pm</td> <td>1:30-2:00 pm 2:15-2:45 pm</td> <td>2:00-2:30 pm</td> <td>2:15-2:45 pm</td> </tr> </table>	<b>TUES.</b>	<b>WED.</b>	<b>THURS.</b>	<b>FRI.</b>	1:15-1:45 pm	1:30-2:00 pm 2:15-2:45 pm	2:00-2:30 pm	2:15-2:45 pm						
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PRACTICE HINT FOR APRIL – BACK UP!</b></p> <p>Instead of working from the beginning of a section to the end, start at the end and work back to the beginning – phrase by phrase, measure by measure, or even note-group by note-group. Several students used this practice hint to help them work through tricky spots in the Achievement in Music pieces.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2020-2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Deadline: Fri. March 26</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Upload Piano &amp; Voice Concert Pre-Recorded videos to Google Drive link above. The link was also emailed March 8.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>March 17-19</td> <td>Vacation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>March 29 – April 3</td> <td>Spring Break</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week of April 5</td> <td>Group Lessons on Zoom</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week of May 3</td> <td>Group Lessons on Zoom</td> </tr> <tr> <td>May 28-31</td> <td>Memorial Day Weekend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week of June 7</td> <td>Group Lessons on Zoom</td> </tr> </table>	Deadline: Fri. March 26	Upload Piano & Voice Concert Pre-Recorded videos to Google Drive link above. The link was also emailed March 8.	March 17-19	Vacation	March 29 – April 3	Spring Break	Week of April 5	Group Lessons on Zoom	Week of May 3	Group Lessons on Zoom	May 28-31	Memorial Day Weekend	Week of June 7	Group Lessons on Zoom
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