



Welcome New Students

Aahil K.
Audrey L.
Avah Z.
Ayden U.
Brianna B.
Cattleya W.
Dashiel L.
Debby O.
Erik S.
Gabe G.
Grayson H.
Greg C.
Joao Paulo D.
Joy A.
Judah E.
Juliette
Kingston Y.
Kyla H.
Kyle U.
Mayssuon M.
Noah N.
Nurayah K.
Posy E.
Rachel S.
Raphaëlle C.
Rayna D.
Rohin D.
Rose L.
Shivankar S.
Sydney G.
Sylvie L.
Taryn A.
Terrance Y.
Zachary A.

Celebrating 15 Years of Key Mobile Music!



This Autumn marks a significant milestone for us at Key Mobile Music—our 15th anniversary! Founded in 2009 with just a handful of dedicated teachers and students, we have grown into a thriving community of over 40 passionate instructors and more than 120 students. Whether in your homes, at our St. Albert studio, or online, our commitment to bringing music to life for students of all ages remains stronger than ever.

Thank you for being a part of our journey, and we look forward to continuing to make music together for many more years to come!

Exciting Performance Opportunities!

We're excited to offer three unique performance opportunities for our students this school year! Participation in these recitals is open to all students, with no charge for performing or attending.

1. Seniors Residence Tour 2024

Students will have the chance to perform at one of three senior residence performances, spreading holiday cheer through music. Students may choose one (1) date to participate.

- *Saturday, December 7 at 2:00 pm*
(Lewis Estates Retirement Residence)
- *Sunday, December 8 at 2:00 pm*
(MacTaggart Place Retirement Residence)
- *Saturday, December 14 at 2:00 pm*
(Everitt Gardens St. Albert Retirement Residence)



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2. Virtual Recital 2025

The Virtual Recital will go live on Saturday, March 15, 2025. The recital will be featured on YouTube as a playlist, so families can enjoy the performances from the comfort of home.

An online music recital allows students to showcase their hard work by recording their performances at home and submitting them to be shared in a virtual recital on YouTube. Instead of performing live, students' videos are compiled into a YouTube playlist, so friends and family can enjoy the recital at their convenience, no matter where they are. It's a great way to share music with loved ones while offering flexibility and ease for everyone involved!

3. Spring Recital 2025

Join us for a live performance at the Red Willow Community Church in St. Albert on Sunday, June 1, 2025. It's a wonderful way to close out the school year and celebrate our students' progress!

Student Spotlight

Sullivan



Sullivan began studying piano at age seven and has been learning with Key Mobile Music for the past two years under the guidance of his teacher, Krista. Now 14 years old, he is in grade 9.

What's your favourite song to play? The Star Wars Theme

What do you enjoy about your lessons?

Picking fun new songs and seeing my teacher Krista

What's something new that you've learned in your lessons?

How important practicing is!!!

What do you like to do when you're not playing music? Playing golf and video games, fishing and spending time with my family.

Do you have a favourite musician or band that inspires you? Kid Laroi

What advice would you give to someone just starting to learn an instrument? Don't give up. Practice as much as possible or you won't see any improvement.

Do you have any pets? I have one big dog, a Bernedoodle named Gus and a small dog, a Havenese named Hazel.

Anything else you would like us to know? I really want to get better at piano.

Thank you, Sullivan!

How Are We Doing?



Teacher Jonathan Maywood: So far, we've thoroughly enjoyed having Joy learn with Jonathan! She's practicing daily and trying her best to always learn the new song they do each lesson. His patience has been great and he's very good at helping her understand the notes! Couldn't be happier with the support from the administration side as they have been very helpful and flexible!!

Teacher Michelle Eliason: Ella's love for piano has grown immensely since starting lessons with Michelle. Her confidence has also increased. She never feels pressured to work harder or do more than she can handle, and yet she continues to learn and excel. Michelle is a great teacher for Ella, and we couldn't be happier. *Courtney*

Teacher Michelle Eliason: Lawrence is learning so much from Michelle. She has been a great teacher and is very patient with him as he's fairly new to piano. He seems pretty happy to be learning though, and I'm encouraged to see the growth he's experiencing. *Ashley*

Teacher Karla Key: The girls are motivated to practice with Karla's reward system, and they seem to be making good progress on their books. I am hearing more and more new songs.

Thank you for your feedback!



Happy Birthday!

October to December Birthdays

Students

Alexandra M.

Anastasia N.

Charlie T.

Cirene E.

Dashiel L.

Doriane L.

Ella R.

Elliot B.

Emmett R.

Erik S.

Esta R.

Georgia S.

Gloria L.

Hayden M.

Huxley H.

Joao Paulo D.

Juliette L.

Karis P.

Kian A.

Kiefer R.

Kylah M.

Leo S.

Maxeen W.

Mirai K.

Myles B.

Noelle N.

Rosalie C.

Rose L.

Zachary H.

Happy with your music lessons?

Leave us a Google review!



Thank you!

Welcome New Teachers!

Brendan Meilleur
Drums & Guitar

Ekloveya Jain
Piano

Farid Sayegh
Guitar

Justin Trinidad
Piano

Lily Zhang
Piano

Olga Koshelenko
Guitar

Steven Yonan
Guitar

Tetiana Poliakova
Piano



Teacher Birthdays

October to December Birthdays

Alicia Proudfoot
Angela Urbano

Bernadette Laberge-Walker

Daniela Kimura
Edgar Shek

Ekloveya Jain
Farid Sayegh

Jethro Flores
Jonathan Maywood
Justin Trinidad

Steven Yonan
Wenhao Guo

Yarema Eliyashevskyy

Teacher Spotlight

Bernadette Laberge-Walker

What instruments do you teach, and how long have you been teaching? I teach piano and beginner guitar. After completing my BA in Music I studied secondary music education at the U of A. During this program I had to learn to play all of the brass and all of the woodwind instruments up to a grade 12 student level, so technically, I could also teach beginner brass and woodwind instruments.



What inspired you to start teaching music? Some of my earliest childhood memories are connected to music. As a child, I always enjoyed and valued my piano lessons and time spent creating music. I feel honoured knowing that, now, as an adult, I can contribute to creating and fostering a love in music making in other music lovers.

What's your favorite piece of music to teach?
My favorite music to teach is ragtime/blues/pop songs.

How do you keep your students motivated during lessons? I keep my students motivated by setting and achieving goals, creating fun challenges, and giving awards and trophies for various piano skills. I am also constantly looking for new songs for my students to play. Some students bring me songs that they would like to learn, and this also helps them to stay motivated.

What do you enjoy most about teaching at Key Mobile Music? I enjoy teaching with Key Mobile Music because Karla is an awesome 'boss'. She is caring and kind and offers support when we need it but also offers a lot of autonomy to her travelling teachers.

Do you have a memorable moment with a student that stands out? My most memorable moments as a teacher are when a student exclaims that they LOVE playing a certain song.

What advice would you give to a student who's just starting lessons? My advice to any new student just starting to learn the piano is to keep your nails short and to practice the assignments regularly and daily until they sound and feel solid.

What's your go-to song or artist when you're relaxing? My go-to artist to relax to is George Winston. His Album, titled *Summer*, is my absolute, all-time favorite.

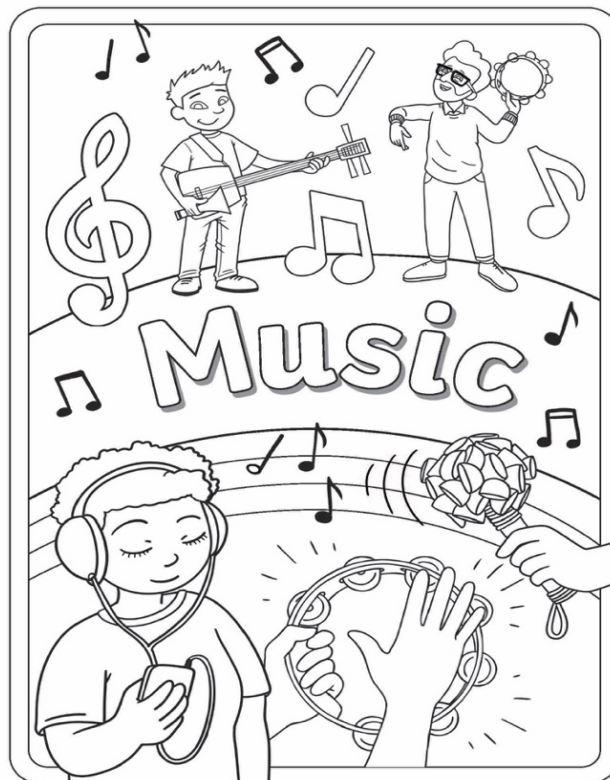
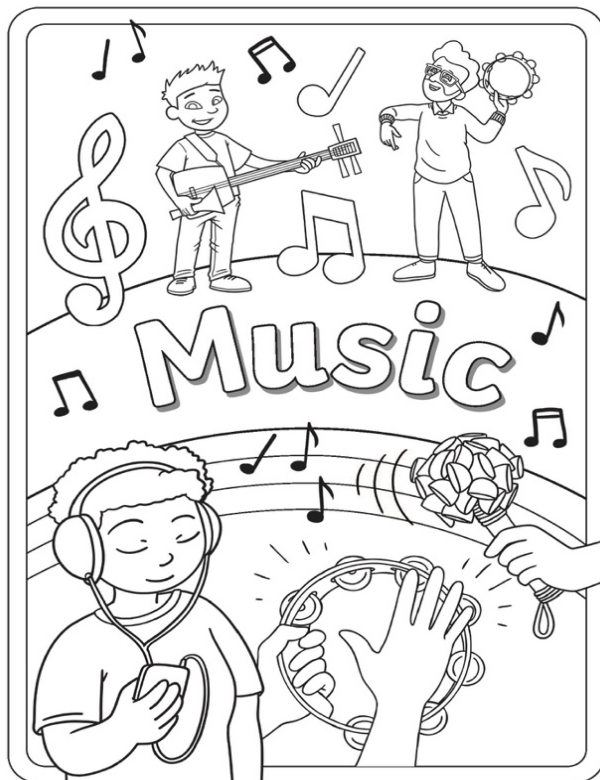
If you could play any instrument that you don't already know, what would it be and why? If I could play any other instrument, it would be blues guitar because I love the rhythms, the riffs and the bent notes.

What's one fun fact your students might be surprised to learn about you? One fun fact about me that my students may not know is that I love, love, love flowers and gardening. I grow a large squash garden every year (about 150 plants that I start myself and transplant every year).

Thank you, Bernadette!

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