

Online HSI Enrichment Class Descriptions for All Instruments

Student-led Community Engagement & Diverse Composer History

Students will have the opportunity to learn about Black Composers, have a virtual listening party, and chat about how we can help the communities we live in. We will brainstorm creative ways to "take care" of people around us, and learn how to be young leaders!

Music History Tours

Come on a music history tour with one of the most creative and innovative teachers around! This class is student centered and will focus on helping everyone understand more about music, harmony, and emotions from the Baroque Era to Star Wars.

Dalcroze

Dalcroze enrichment is an experimental way of knowing music through the whole body using movement. With music and movement as the driving force we'll explore rhythmic patterns, musical keys, and musical expression; unlocking our creativity and having fun learning these concepts.

Guitar Technique

In this class, students will dive deeper into the technical aspects of guitar playing including work on polishing existing techniques and developing new ones.

Sight-Reading and Score-Study for Pianists

For those pianists in Suzuki Book 4 this sight-reading class will help the student develop the ability to play a piece of music that they've never played before simply by reading it off of a page of written music. This skill is very similar to an actor being able to bring to life a monologue by reading it for the first time. This class will explore strategies to help the pianist make sight-reading easier, faster and FUN!

Score-study is for pianists in Suzuki Books 5 and up. Have you ever seen a conductor sit at the piano and play off an open score? Score reading class will introduce and explore reading both choral and orchestral scores. The pianists will familiarize themselves with clefs, not commonly used in piano music. Come learn this valuable skill and impress your friends and family!

Fiddling

This class will offer the opportunity to expand your musical horizon by delving into various fiddling techniques and learning to play a variety of different genres of fiddle tunes! This class is for all string instruments: violin, viola, and cello.

Chamber Music

This class is offered for all Book 7+ students. Prior to the Institute, one of our coordinators will send you a chamber music part to learn at home. The more prepared your music is prior to the Institute's start, the more interesting this class will be. Be aware that the hour itself is meant to explore chamber music and collaborate with your peers. This chamber music offering does not have a formal final performance.