

Harmony Road Music School

End-of-the-Year Newsletter

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With the school year finished it's a great time to reflect on all of the activities students participated in from 2022-2023 at Harmony Road. With more than 150 toddlers and preschoolers enrolled in our early childhood music classes this past year and 75+ students attending weekly piano lessons, students of all ages took part in a variety of programs. From festivals and recitals to summer music camps and ice cream parties, we had an exciting and busy year!

***Pictured above: students performed Christmas music at Edwards Cinema.*



Early Childhood Music

Our classes for toddlers and pre-schoolers include singing, movement, playing w/egg shakers, jingle bells, scarves & hoops. We also do piano activities to introduce black & white key clusters and high/low sounds.



Music time with toddlers is always fun and energetic! Here's our 3 yr old class at the end of the spring semester.



Nicholas F. received an MTAC Youth Award for his participation in various branch events (recitals, festivals) as well as school & community music activities (band, Guild and NFMC).



Lucas A. and Micah S. won a trophy for their performances in the annual MTAC Jazz Pop Festival in October.



Making Musical Friends

Students often make lifelong friends when involved in weekly music activities. Gabriel, Marcos, Adrian and Erik started piano at age 5. Now, 7 years later they're going into Jr High. Some will continue in piano, others will try a different instrument.

Piano Guild

22 students participated in the annual Piano Guild evaluations in May. Students may perform 2 or more memorized pieces plus scales and chord progressions for a judge. While most performed 2-6 pieces, 2 students performed 8 pieces and 4 students did a 10-piece program. We celebrated with an ice cream party at Rosemary's.



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| Lucas Angelini | Gabree Herriott | Mia Salas |
| Odin Cherry | Gabriel Herriott | Chriswin Sajeev |
| Megan Davis | Eli Journey | Charlotte Sifuentes |
| Ben Fiehler | Sebastien LaTray | Micah Sison |
| Nicholas Fiehler | Jane Lefler | Lily Starr, Andrew Starr |
| Brandon Fussel | Leah Morris | Ava Valenzuela |
| Damaris Gutierrez | Haaris Ramzan | Minlada Viboolsri |



Jazz Pop Festival

Lucas Angelini
Megan Davis
Nicholas Fiehler
Eli Journey
Sebastien LaTray
Chriswin Sajeev
Charlotte Sifuentes
Micah Sison
Andrew Starr
Alexis Tulud

***Lucas and Micah each received a trophy for their high-scoring performances.*

National Federation of Music Clubs

Lucas Angelini
Megan Davis
Nicholas Fiehler
Brandon Fussel
Damaris Gutierrez
Gabree Herriott
Adrian Iturriria
Marcos Iturriria
Eli Journey
Sebastien LaTray
Leah Morris
Chriswin Sajeev
Mia Salas
Charlotte Sifuentes
Micah Sison
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MTAC Halloween Recital

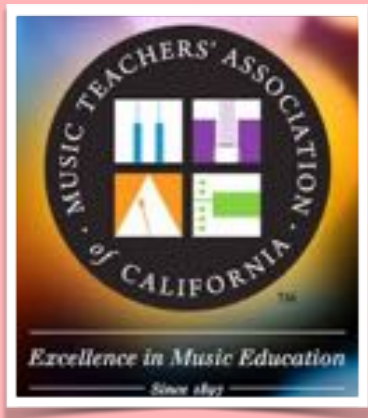
Megan Davis
Ben Fiehler
Nicholas Fiehler
Brandon Fussel
Charlotte Ghosh
Damaris Gutierrez
Eli Journey
Jane Lefler
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Chriswin Sajeev
Charlotte Sifuentes
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Christmas Recital at Edwards Cinema

Andrew Allen
Erik Allen
Ben Fiehler
Nicholas Fiehler
Gabree Herriott
Gabriel Herriott
Marcos Iturriria
Adrian Iturriria
Leah Morris
Chriswin Sajeev
Mia Salas
Charlotte Sifuentes

WHAT IS MTAC?

The Music Teachers' Association of California is a professional organization of instrumental and vocal teachers. Teachers must meet certain education criteria to become members. Students who take lessons from an MTAC teacher are offered performance and evaluation opportunities such as the programs listed above. There are nearly 5000 teacher-members statewide, with 25 MTAC teachers in Kern County. At Harmony Road Music School two of our teachers are MTAC members. Piano students who have been with us 3 or more years are given the chance to participate in various adjudicated events and extra recitals beyond the 2 yearly recitals already scheduled.



The Year in Pictures

Jazz Pop Festival



Federation (NFMC)



Halloween Recitals



Toddler Classes



Recitals



SUMMER MUSIC CAMPS & CLASSES

Every summer we offer camps and classes for new and current students:

- * Junior Music Camp - a musical arts/crafts morning camp for ages 4, 5, 6.
- * Intro to Piano Camp - a 4-lesson course for kids to 'try out' piano lessons. Ages 4 - 11.
- * Toddler Classes - come for just 4 lessons! Ages 16m-3's.

