Hooper's School of Music 735 Christie Ave. Selkirk, MB R1A 0W5 Teacher: Marilyn Hooper

Studio policies:

- **1.** The course runs weekly, from September until June, with summer instruction possible. There will be no lessons during **Christmas and Spring breaks**. Lessons will run as usual on other holidays and school inservice days. If a lesson must be missed for a qualifying reason (illness or inclement weather), and cannot be done virtually at the regular lesson time, we will try to reschedule.
- 2. In the event of illness of either student or teacher, it is absolutely essential that a face-to-face lesson be cancelled, and moved online when possible. Students or their parents are responsible for letting me know as soon as possible, if they will be unable to attend a scheduled lesson. The fee is due, but the lesson may be applicable for rescheduling.
- **3.** Make up lessons are a courtesy and not an obligation, and subject to my availability even when emergency or ill health prevent a student from attending.
- **4.** When school is closed due to inclement weather, individual families may choose whether to drive to the studio or do the lesson online at the usual time. Please inform me, in advance, of any choice to go online.
- **5**. In an attempt to avoid passing germs from one student to another, please wash your hands thoroughly upon entering and bring your own pencil and eraser in a case that clips into your binder. I will clean the piano keys and other frequently touched areas between students.
- **6**. Parents of young students may sit in on the lesson, if desired. Other children should not be brought if they will provide a distraction. There is a waiting area for siblings, but my insurance policy requires that no child under age 8 should be left there unattended.
- **7.** While an on-line lesson is in progress, other family members should avoid using the Internet, which interferes with reception, or creating background noise, such as meal prep or doing dishes, which interferes with my hearing the student.
- **8. Home Practice:** consistency in practice is very important. The length of practice depends upon the age and level of the student. It is often preferable to break the practice up into two or more short sessions. This can be discussed in more detail on an individual basis.
- **9. Fees, as of Sept 1, 2022**: \$88 per month for 30 min. lessons, or \$132 per month for 45 min. A \$20 registration fee will hold your spot in the schedule, if you register early, and will contribute to incidental costs. Lesson fees are due the first day of each month of lessons, and may be paid either by post-dated cheques, or via online banking.
- **10. Discontinuing lessons**: withdrawal from the program requires one full month written or verbal notice. Lesson fees are due for that period.

11. Receipt and acknowledgment of studio policies and lesson registration constitutes a **binding agreement** between the student and the instructor. General Rules and Studio Policies are subject to change and will be reviewed and/or updated periodically, with a 30-day notice given to students of any such change.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Whenever possible, please avoid calling and limit texting when I am teaching (3:30-9:00 PM, Mon, Tues & Wed.)

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