



New Songs

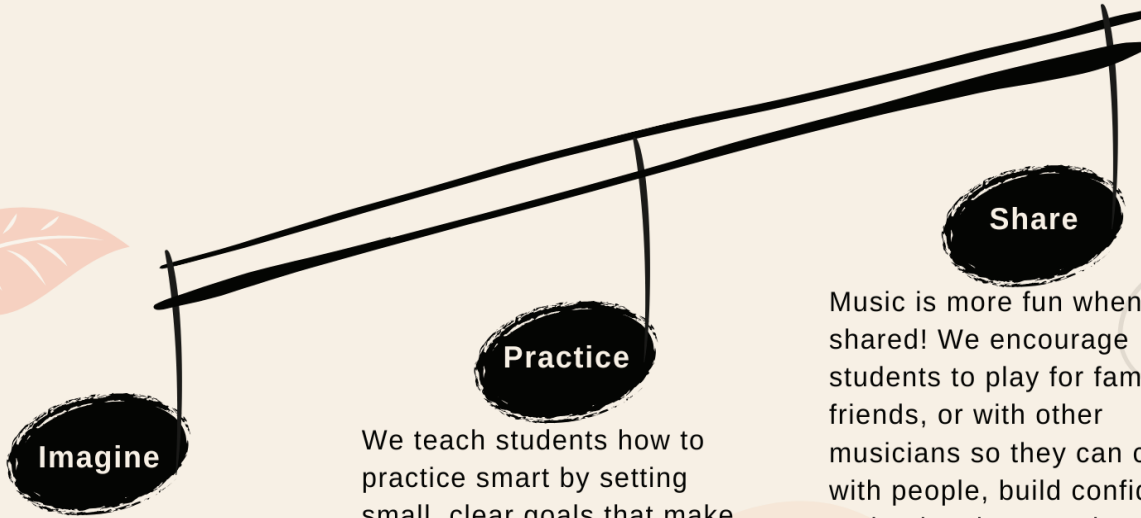
MUSIC FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

OUR WHY

Music fosters personal growth and brings people together, providing a way to express yourself and connect with others. Without making music, many students miss the chance to discover more of their personality, passion and potential. Our programs encourage creativity and self-confidence in a convenient & fun place for families.



LEARNING MODEL



Imagine

We help students get excited about music by encouraging them to be creative, try new things, and think like curious musicians. Our goal is to inspire them to see what's possible and feel connected to the music they're learning.

Practice

We teach students how to practice smart by setting small, clear goals that make big projects feel easy to tackle. This helps them build skills step by step and develop good practice habits that will last a lifetime.

Share

Music is more fun when it's shared! We encourage students to play for family, friends, or with other musicians so they can connect with people, build confidence, and enjoy the experience of making music together.

What does it mean to be a well-rounded musician?

Careful Listening 🎵 Healthy Technique 🎵 Music Literacy

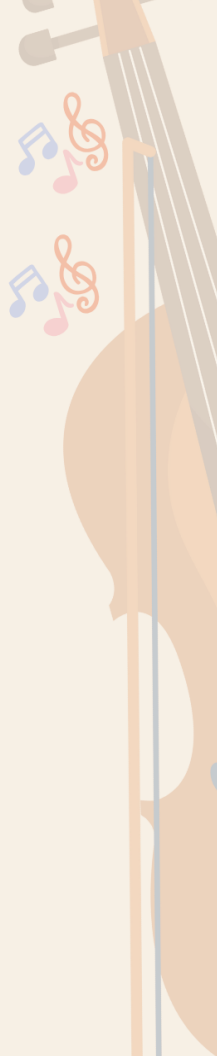
EARLY CHILDHOOD (AGES 2-7)

Explorer Group Classes

45 minute weekly group classes designed to build all of the developmental skills necessary for music in early childhood. This class features singing, movement and instrument playing to help students become confident with melodies, keeping the beat and musical expression.

Class options include:

- Toddler
- Preschool
- Elementary age
- Neurodivergent student



EARLY CHILDHOOD (AGES 2-7)

Junior Piano Group Classes

45 minute weekly group classes for kindergarten and above, this class features a storybook approach with various challenge levels to each weekly piano song. In this class, students start with the basics and gain confidence in playing with two hands, reading music, and mastering music concepts which include dynamics, tempo, articulation, piano technique., and more!

Private Lessons

30 minute one-to-one lessons allow students to work on individualized goals at their own pace.

Private lessons can include:

- Piano
- Singing
- String instruments
- Animal Adventures In Music (a general music exploration program for private lessons)

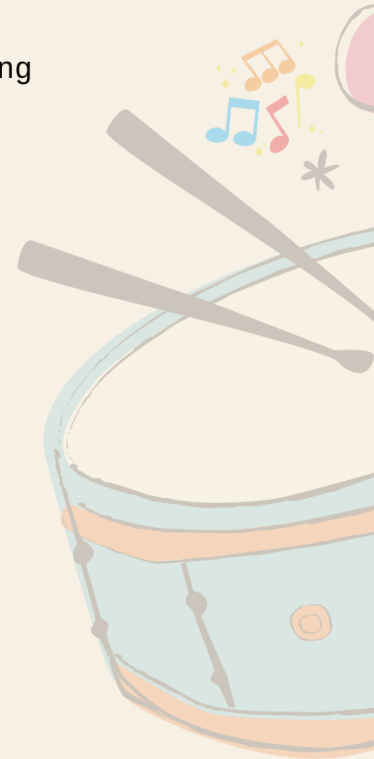
CHILDREN (AGES 8-12)

Group Classes

60 minute weekly group classes give students a fun and motivating learning environment, where they can grow their skills. Students benefit from playing both solo and with others, get comfortable making music together, and reinforce their skills as they collaborate.

Class options include:

- Piano Progressions (Levels one through six)
- Intro to Guitar, Intro to Singing and Intro to Drums
- Beginning group classes
- Intermediate group classes



CHILDREN (AGES 8-12)

Private Lessons

One-to-one lessons allow a fully customizable music journey. Beginning students start with 30 minute weekly lessons. As students progress to intermediate levels, 45 and 60 minute lessons are available as well as our membership option to take both a private lesson and a range of group classes to help deepen their skills.

Specialty Classes

We celebrate that each of our students are unique and we offer a variety of options to help them become more engaged in their musical journey.

- Performance group classes learn repertoire and perform more frequently at our school events and within the community
- Topic classes help students study special skills ranging from classical theory to digital song creation

Check out our summer and school break camps!

TEEN/ADULT

Group Classes

60 minute group classes allow beginning recreational students to learn and grow in a supportive environment. Making music with others provides motivation and added learning opportunities as students collaborate and share the musical journey.

Class options include:

- Intro to Guitar, Intro to Piano, Intro to Singing
- Beginning group classes
- Intermediate group classes



TEEN/ADULT

Private Lessons

One to one lessons for teens and adults focus on the skills and genres most important to you. Beginning students start with 30 minutes weekly lessons, with 45 and 60 minute lessons available for intermediate to advanced students. For students with a busy schedule, ask about our à la carte private lesson option.

Specialty Classes

Teen and adult students can benefit from making music with others and taking on new practical challenges with their musicianship.

- Performance classes include both competitive and recreational options to rehearse and perform with peers
- Topic classes, give students deeper experiences and a range of topics from improvisation and songwriting to recording

PERFORMANCE & TOPIC CLASSES



Specialty Classes

Looking to grow even further? In addition to private lessons or group classes, students are invited to join specialty classes that help deepen musical skills and creativity—and membership options make it easy to add one or more topic classes affordably.

Performance Classes

These year-round classes focus on learning music as a group and preparing for both public and private performances. Students build confidence, stage presence, and ensemble experience while making music with others.

Students may join at any time, but should be aware of upcoming performance dates and rehearsal expectations.

Performance class options include:

- Kids Choir (ages 6-12)
- Musical Theater Workshop
- Student Ensembles (band experience for young musicians)

PERFORMANCE & TOPIC CLASSES

Topic Classes

These are designed to explore specific skills or creative projects in more depth. Whether you are preparing for a competition or releasing an album, topic classes help you become well-rounded.

Some classes run year-round, while others are offered as a short-term session.

Topic class options include:

- Musicianship and Ear Training
- Music Theory
- Digital Music and Recording
- Jam/Improv Sessions and more!



TUITION

PRIVATE PAY

Monthly payment from out-of-pocket for personalized lessons

CHARTER PAY

- Regular vouchers
 - annual tuition split in 10 monthly payment
- Early Bird savings
 - lessons before 3pm

ALTA REGIONAL

We gladly accept referrals from Alta Regional for students with special needs

SAVE MORE LEARN MORE

MEMBERSHIP

Memberships include:

- 1 private 30-min lesson
- Up to 2 ½ hrs of additional group classes

We offer both group and private lessons to match each student's unique needs, but we also encourage students to get the best of both with our discounted membership program. Memberships allow one student to take a private lesson and one or more additional group or specialty classes for the most well-rounded experience.

ANNUAL EVENTS

JANUARY

Registration for
NFMC Festival

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FEBRUARY

Small venue
concerts

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MARCH

Spring Break (no
classes at GL & LAG)

NFMC Festival

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OCTOBER

Performances at
Giant Pumpkin
Festival
(Elk Grove Park)

Costume Recitals
(GL & Mad)

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NOVEMBER

Thanksgiving
Break (no classes,
all locations)

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DECEMBER

Winter Recitals

Holiday Staff
Concert (GL)

Winter Break (no
classes, all
locations)

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APRIL

Spring Break (no
classes at ESAC &
MAD)

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MAY

Memorial Day
(no classes, all
locations)

Showcase Recitals

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JUNE/JULY

Summer Camps

Spring Recitals

Juneteenth
Concert (GL)

Park Events

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SEPTEMBER

Labor Day (no
classes, all
locations)

Talk Like a Pirate
Week

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*Tuition is based on a calendar with 46 lessons per year

*Cancellations must be submitted before the 15th
or will be processed for the following month

MEET THE TEAM



Michael Hemsworth
Owner/Founder

Hi! My name is Michael Hemsworth and I have worked at NewSongs since 2003 (because I started it!). I have a music degree from UC Davis and play the piano. I love working at NewSongs because of our focus on individuality and being unique, well-rounded and happy music makers!



Jennifer Williams
Laguna Director

Hey there! My name is Jennifer Williams and I have worked at NewSongs since 2015. I believe music can enrich every part of life, even for those who don't plan to become musicians. Music supports personal growth, confidence, and creativity. I love working at NewSongs because it's a place where people are seen, supported, and encouraged to express who they truly are.



Anniqe Bruwer
Operations Director

Hi there! My name is Anniqe Bruwer, and I have worked at NewSongs since February 2024. My connection to music is rooted in the belief that it plays a vital role in personal and community growth. I love working at NewSongs because it allows me to play a key role in maintaining a vibrant, positive and organized environment where both students and instructors can thrive and focus on what truly matters: making music.



Jacob Fennell
Director of Finance

Greetings! I'm Jacob Fennell, the Sr. Director of Finance. I've worked at NewSongs since October 2022. I have a B.A. in Music and a B.A. in Arts Management from Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. I am a professional pianist, having played for nearly 20 years! I believe music is a universal language that helps connect us through self-expression and shared experience. I love working at NewSongs because we understand that everyone is innately musical, and we provide opportunities for people of all ages to develop their musicality. I am overjoyed that every day I get to celebrate our incredible students and our amazing staff!



Jessica McQuay
Grant Line Director

Hi - my name is Jessica McQuay and I have worked at NewSongs since 2022. I am a music enthusiast (I've played the clarinet since I was 10 years old), child advocate (Early Childhood Education Major), and writer at heart (I wrote a novel in another life! Seriously! lol). I love working at NewSongs because it connects every part of my creative soul by allowing me to be around music all day, every day, while fostering community and advocating for the right of all children to have access to music education.



Sojourner Fruci
Madison Director

Hello! My name is Sojourner Fruci and I have worked at NewSongs since 2023. I have played the drums since I was 11 years old, studied classical percussion and jazz drums in high school, and acquired an Associates degree in Audio Engineering at American River College. I love working at NewSongs because it is a place that fosters growth, creativity, and individuality. NewSongs is a Safe Space for all!



Sue Her
East Sacramento Director

Hi! My name is Sue Her and I have worked at NewSongs since May 2024. Music isn't just a part of my life—it's the driving force of everything I do. It fuels my creativity, keeps me open-minded, and brings people together in the most incredible ways. I love working at NewSongs because I get to help families dive into the magic of music, unlocking its power to inspire, connect, and create a space where everyone feels free to express themselves. Let's make some noise and have fun with music!

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