

CDMS *Music News*

CREATIVE Dance & Music Studio

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Music Holiday Showcase Updates

We are getting excited for our upcoming Holiday Showcase Recital! By this point, solos should be chosen and working on them will be a lesson focus for the next two months. Our November and December Parent Peek Weeks (the final teaching week of each month) will be optimal times for parents to catch a glimpse of the work in progress!

Recommended attire for our Holiday Showcase is nice-looking pants, shirts with or without ties, dresses, or skirts. Suits and more formal attire is welcome, but dressy casual is fine too! We will take a group photo following each show.

Showtimes will be posted mid-November. Times are still TBA, but will be approximately between a 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. range. We can't wait to hear your performances!



UPCOMING DATES

November 15-20
Music Parent Peek
Week

November 20
Music Make-Up Class
Time TBA

December 13-18
Music Parent Peek
Week

December 18
Music Make-Up Class
2:15-3:15 p

December 19
Holiday Showcase
Recitals

January 15
Music Reading Mastery
Intensive 2:30-4:00 p

What Are Accompaniment Fees?

We understand that the term "Accompaniment Fee" might be unfamiliar. Accompaniment fees go to our Music Instructors who perform along with the student at the recital, providing background music to sing to, or providing a duet part on an instrument. Our Instructors spend extra time outside of lessons practicing, arranging, and selecting the parts that they perform as accompanists. We love to play along with our students who need or desire a bit of extra support!

Upcoming Music Intensives

We have some fun Music Intensives lined up for 2022, Starting with **Music Reading Mastery on January 15!** Music Reading Mastery is for music students at Musical Milestone Level 2 and higher, and will entail all the basic building blocks of reading music. We'll have group activities and games that center on specific skills like rhythm, notes, symbols, and terminology. All ages and instruments at level 2 or higher can participate, and we guarantee you'll have a blast!

Our **March 19 Music Intensive will be Composing With Scales and Chords.** This workshop is for students at Musical Milestone Level 3 or higher, though Level 2 might be able to participate if they have experience with scales and chords (check with your Instructor). One of the components of every Musical Milestone beyond Level 2 is composing, arranging, or improvising, and scales and chords play a very important role in doing this work. We'll work in groups and individually to create several short pieces using these composing "building blocks". This will be a challenging but very rewarding Intensive that will get you completing your composing project easily!

Also, **STAY TUNED** for an exciting announcement about a special Music Intensive happening in February!

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving Break

November 22-28

Christmas Break

December 20-January 2