



Private Lesson Policies

Our goal for our Art With Heart Studio (AWHS) private lessons is to provide a fun learning experience for all students!

We want to help build the skills and confidence needed to partake in the joy of music making!

In order to maximize how many students we are able to take on, and to ensure that our instructors' time is being respected, all private lessons students and their adults must agree to the following guidelines:

LESSON FEES & PAYMENTS

Members:

\$22/30 minutes

\$32/60 minutes

Non-members:

\$25/30 minutes

\$35/60 minutes

**Students aged 14 + are subject to HST.

100% of your fees are due prior to the session start date to hold your spot. If you have registered for a session, you take responsibility for all fees for that session. In the event that session fees are not paid by the due date, your lessons will be paused at your expense until payment is made. In the event that you need to withdraw from the session, you are still responsible for any session fees until AWHS finds another student to fill the spot you had reserved.

If you are unable to pay in one bulk payment please get in touch with us at info@artwithheartstudio.ca to discuss alternatives. If cost is a challenge, you can also apply for an AWHS Get Cre8ive scholarship!

CANCELLATIONS & MAKEUP LESSONS

Students are entitled to **TWO** makeup lessons throughout the session, so long as the lesson has been cancelled at least 24 hours in advance. Makeup lessons will be offered on pre-scheduled dates throughout the session. If you are unable to fit your makeup lessons into the makeup or cancellation slots, you forfeit the cost of the lesson.

In the event that Art With Heart Studio has to cancel a lesson, you will be offered a credit for a makeup lesson. If you are unable to attend any of the makeup lesson slots within the session, you will be offered a credit to be used toward private lessons or other programs at AWHS. All credits must be used within the programming year (Sept 2023 - August 2024).

All cancellations, makeup lesson scheduling, and lesson swapping must be done by the adult/participant via Duet Partner. Lesson swapping is a great tool for those who've already used up their two cancellations, but need to miss another lesson. We encourage everyone to get on Duet Partner and play around to get familiar with the functionality!

LENDING LIBRARY

To help keep lessons accessible all students are provided with a loaner lesson book. Students are only permitted to use the book while they remain registered in lessons here at AWHS. In the event that a student no longer wishes to take lessons, the book must be returned by the first day of the next session. If the book is not returned by the due date, or is returned in an unusable state and a replacement must be ordered, the student/parent is responsible for reimbursing Art With Heart Studio for the cost of the book before being allowed to register for future AWHS programs.

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SPRING SESSION BREAK DOWN

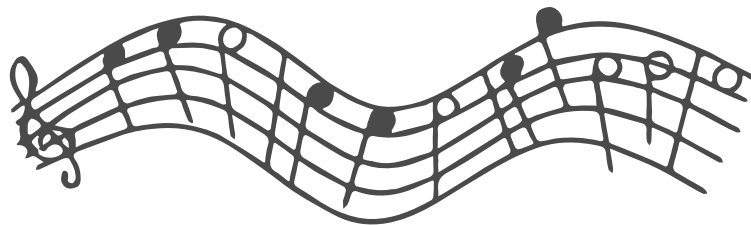
- **Session starts:** Apr. 2nd, 2024
- **Session ends:** June 10th, 2024
- **NO LESSONS ON:** Apr. 1st (Easter Monday), May 7th - 10th (Drama Kidz show week), May 20th (Victoria Day)
- **Make up time slots:** . April 27th, May 25th, June 17th (Piano/Vocal), Guitar & ukulele TBD with the individual teacher.
- **Fees:** Lesson fees are due by **March 27th, 2024** in order to attend your lessons. If payment is not made by this date, and alternative arrangements have not been made with AWHs staff, then **your lessons will be paused at your expense until payment is made.**

PRACTICING & ADULT EXPECTATIONS

While music is a fun experience that many will carry with them for years to come, one only gets out of music what they put into it. As teachers, above all else, we strive to help students develop a loving and healthy relationship with music. But it is important to note that learning a musical instrument takes *practice*. Most children lack the maturity to accept the responsibility of building good practice habits, which is where you come in! We would love for our students' adults to work with them on establishing a healthy practice routine. This way we set our young musicians up for success and they get the most out of their lessons! Please click the following link to learn more about which practice routine is best for your child: <https://artwithheartstudio.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/AWHS-Music-Student-Practice-Guidelines.pdf>

As an additional note: If your child practices on an acoustic piano at home, it's important to keep it in tune to the best of your ability. We often hear "But it doesn't sound like this on my piano!" which typically stems from practicing on an out-of-tune piano. It can be very confusing and frustrating for students when their music sounds different at home than at their lesson. Acoustic pianos should be tuned at least once a year. If you don't already have the name of a piano tuner, we would be happy to provide the name and number of ours!

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Together, we can set students up for success and a year of musical fun!



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