

CDMS *Music News*

CREATIVE Dance & Music Studio

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Welcome, Musicians!

We are so excited to welcome all new and returning Music Students for the 39th season of CDMS! We'll have a new **Songwriting Workshop Series** this fall, the **Holiday Showcase** at the studio in December, and our big **Spring Recital** at UNO in June.

The biggest news for the music season is our **3 new mega-talented Music Instructors** who are all excited to get to know their students!

Ms. Chloe teaches voice and beginning piano. She'll be here on Tuesdays.

Ms. Drea teaches piano, voice, and guitar. She'll be at the studio on Mondays and Saturdays.

Ms. Kimberly teaches piano and voice, and you'll see her at the studio on Thursdays.

Mr. Craig is here on Tuesdays, **Mr. Brian** on Mondays, and **Mrs. Jennifer** is here on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

UPCOMING DATES

September 25-30
Parent Peek Week

October 7
Winter Orders Due

September 30
Music Make-Up Class

October 28
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Music Workshop Series: Songwriting

This fall, we're offering a special Music Workshop series focusing on Songwriting! **Our focus will be creating chord progressions, melodies, and lyrics to produce your own original songs.** The series will be held at CDMS on Saturday afternoons and will span a total of 4 weeks: 3 weeks of instruction, creative activities, and work time, and a 4th week of rehearsal and casual performance for parents.

Our Music students ages 10-18 who are working on Musical Milestone level 3 or higher are welcome to enroll in this series. Details will be available soon, so stay tuned!

Practice Packs

Response to our Practice Packs has been great, with over half of our Music students placing book orders with us! Our first order has been placed and those printed materials should be arriving by mid-September. If you missed this first order, we'll have a "last-chance" for Practice Packs available in late September. Please let your Instructor know if you'd like to be included in the last chance book order!

How To Make Up a Missed Music Lesson:

Starting in September, there will be an hour-long GROUP music make-up class. The make-up class is offered once a month, usually on the final Saturday of the month. There will be a sign-up sheet posted on the Music Bulletin Board for each make-up class. Music students of any age, or level, studying any instrument, can sign up for the classes. Our Instructors design the classes with group and individual activities, so there's something for everyone.

PARENT PEEK WEEKS:

The final week of lessons each month is our very popular "Parent Peek Week"! We invite a parent to join us during the first or last 5 minutes of class. It's the perfect opportunity for us to visit, for parents to ask questions, and for us to share a little something we've been working on with you. Please be sure to join us!

Music Holiday Showcase

We are happy to announce that the annual winter music recital will be held on Saturday, December 2, in the afternoon at CDMS! Show times will be determined at a later date pending participation. Please note that Saturday lessons will not be held on this date.

All musicians are invited to participate in the recital, even the newest beginners. It's truly a fun, relaxed event, followed by a casual reception here at the studio.

Check your Family Folder for a recital participation form in mid-October. It's already a good time to start working with your Instructor on a piece that you could perform! Holiday or Christmas songs are welcome, but not required. Our recitals include a variety of instruments, performance levels, and musical styles. We love to hear the music you love!

Don't Forget: Turn in your Winter Order forms by October 7!