

PREUCIL SCHOOL OF MUSIC
2017-2018
SCHEDULE OF CLASSES



MUSIC
TOGETHER®

THE JOY OF FAMILY MUSIC®

Help your child grow musically!
Songs • Movement
Chants • Instrument Play

What is Music Together[®]?

Music Together is an innovative, research based program for children ages newborn to four years old and their parents or caregivers. It was started in Princeton, New Jersey in 1987 by Kenneth Guilmartin and Lili Levinowitz, and has gone on to become an early childhood education success story nationwide and around the world. Co-author Guilmartin states, “We believe that every child is musical, and that each child needs a stimulating, supportive music environment to enjoy the wonderful human capacity for music-making.”



Music Together classes are based on the idea that making music with children, in the family, and in a **community of families...**

• Enriches the lives of both children and parents and promotes musical growth in children, nurturing their musical aptitude and

- Should be fun!

How does the mixed age format work in class?

The curriculum is designed to teach on many levels of complexity at once, which allows children to develop at their own rate. The activities are parent-child oriented, not child-child, **so children don't need to be with children of the same age.**

Mixed age groupings encourage a better learning environment. Older children learn from being in a leadership role, and younger children benefit from the example of an older child. Mixed-age classrooms also promote social skills and self esteem.



BASIC FACTS

- Weekly 45-minute classes
- Three Ten-Week Sessions per year plus a Six-Week Summer Session
- CD and Songbook for each session
- Parent(s) or caregiver participation
- One make-up class per session
- Siblings come to class at reduced tuition
- Infants under 7 months are free when attending with an older sibling
- Our teachers have successfully completed the Music Together Teaching Workshop developed by the Center for Music and Young Children, Princeton, New Jersey.

What are Music Together classes like?

The Music Together teacher leads the class in songs and rhythm chants featured in the song collection for the current semester. The songs are presented through a variety of musical activities which incorporate...

- Fun, playful, interactive ways to focus on tonal and rhythmic elements of music
- Small and large movements
- Free, expressive dance
- Instrumental accompaniment
- Use of props (scarves, balls, etc.)
- Opportunities for improvisation by children as well as parents

Parent education during class will increase your understanding of the relevance of class activities to childhood music development.

The atmosphere invites and encourages participation by both children and adults, regardless of musical skill, talent or training. Music Together parents discover what a powerful role model they are to their child, just by having fun with the music themselves!

Do infants really benefit?

Yes, we believe they do. Infants' participation will seem passive at as they actively absorb what they are seeing, hearing and feeling. Parents will learn in class to recognize their infant's musical responses and observe them reaching musical milestones as they develop. As a result, a special musical bond will develop between parent and child.



Who are our teachers?



Brady G'sell is finishing her PhD in Anthropology & History from the Univ of MI. Her research in South

Africa enabled her to live in a culture where music-making is a beloved part of everyday life. She has sung in choirs, theater productions & led summer music programming in Albany, NY. As a parent in Music Together she felt she found a program that matched her long held belief that playful music making is pedagogically and socially important and now enjoys supporting families in joyful musical expression.



Whitney Allen Giller holds a Bachelor of Music and a Master of Music in Cello Performance from the University

of Louisville and DePaul University respectively and is certified for K-12 music education in the state of Iowa. She has played with many groups around the country, including Orchestra Iowa, the Des Moines Metro Opera, and the Britt Music Festival. She has training in both Suzuki and Orff Schulwerk methods and thoroughly enjoys the energy and spirit of young children. Whitney became a registered Music Together teacher in 2011.



Lauren Willberg Registered Music Together teacher since 2011 and an assistant Preucil Preschool teacher

since 2010. Last fall she received the highest level training available from Music Together. In 2012 she was awarded Certification Level I by The Center for Music & Young Children in Princeton, NJ, for outstanding achievement in teaching, musicianship, program philosophy & parent education. Lauren lives with her husband & children and enjoys sewing, knitting & baking. She finds great joy in music & loves sharing this with families at Preucil School.

2017 - 2018 CLASS SCHEDULE

FALL SESSION: Week of August 28-November 4

Winter Mini Session: Week of Dec 4-Dec 23

WINTER SESSION: Week of January 8-March 3

SPRING SESSION: Week of March 19-May 26

2018 SUMMER SESSION: Week of June 11-July 21 (6 weeks)

Mondays

9:15 - 10:00

10:15 - 11:00

Tuesdays

*9:15 - 10:00

*10:15 - 11:00

Wednesdays

*6:00 - 6:45 P.M.

Fridays

*9:15 - 10:00

*10:15 - 11:00

11:15 - 12:00

Saturdays

*9:00 - 9:45

*10:00 - 10:45

*11:00 - 11:45

*** ALL the above classes are offered Fall, Winter and Spring Sessions,**
*but for Summer Session, only the *'d classes are offered*

REGISTRATION & CLASS FEES

Annual Registration Fee for Students Starting in Fall, Winter or Spring Session: \$25 per family *(No registration fee for students starting in Summer)*

Class Fee One child: **\$170 (\$126 if under 7 months) for Fall, Winter or Spring**
\$116 (\$81 if under 7 months) for Summer

Class Fee Siblings: \$85 for Fall, Winter or Spring
\$40 for Summer
Free for Sibling Under 7 months

Tuition includes a CD, songbook, and access to the online Family Music Zone (where families can stream songs from the current collection or download them to their mobile devices). During their first session, families also receive a parent guide to childhood music development.

Call 319-248-1248 to reserve a spot and send payment within 2 weeks to secure the class. All classes will be held at the Preucil School of Music North Campus Morris Early Childhood Education Center. Information available upon request regarding other classes in the area.



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