



## RIVER SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL OFFERINGS

**Turtle Bay Music School (TBMS)**, a non-profit community music school, is relocating to East 38th Street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. We are excited to bring 93 years of music education experience to this lively residential neighborhood, and are delighted to offer the following programs to our neighbors at the River School at a discount with the registration fee waived. The offerings fall into three categories:

- **Extended program** - We have designed a longer program exclusively for River School families who are interested in having their child enroll in a comprehensive music program once a week.
- Our regularly scheduled **group classes**, offered to River School students at a 10% discount
- **Private Lessons** - River School families interested in private lessons for their children will receive a free 30 minute trial lesson, a value of \$58

### PROGRAMS, TIMES AND DAYS:

**EXTENDED PROGRAM exclusively for River School students – Enrollment Deadline September 15**

**Mondays** – (ages 4-6 years or 7-9, depending on demand)

3:30- 5:00 – Tuneful Sequence Ensemble followed by group violin class – 14 weeks 10/1-1/28

**Thursdays** – (4-6 years or 7-9, depending on demand)

3:15- 4:45 – Tuneful Sequence Ensemble followed by group piano class – 14 weeks 10/4-1/17

**For the extended program, TBMS staff members will pick students up at the River School upon dismissal and walk them over to TBMS in time for class.**

**TBMS group classes with discount for River School families – Enrollment Deadline October 15**

Monday – Singing Fundamentals - (ages 7-9) 4:00-4:45 – 10/22-1/28

Wednesdays – Group Piano Level I – (ages 4-6) 4:00-4:45 – 10/24-1/30

Wednesdays – Beginner Violin Class – (ages 7-9) 4:00-4:45 - 10/24-1/30

Thursdays – Rhythm Architects I (3:45-4:30) Rhythm Architects II (4:30-5:15) – 9/20-1/17

Fridays – Beginning Cello (ages 5-7) 4:00-4:45 - beginning 10/19-1/18

### CLASS DESCRIPTIONS:

#### TUNEFUL SEQUENCE ENSEMBLE

The **Tuneful Sequence Program** is based on Orff Schulwerk, a holistic approach to teaching children music through singing, storytelling, movement, rhythmic work, instrumental ensembles, improvisation, and music theory. Classes are based on the idea that all children have an innate musical sense and need only a little guidance to nurture that ability. Children learn how to play a variety of instruments including: xylophones, glockenspiels, metallophones, simple stringed instruments, recorder, small and large percussion, and world music instruments. Rhythmic note reading and other age appropriate music theory concepts are gained by playing games and analyzing classroom songs.

#### BEGINNING VIOLIN and CELLO

Our Suzuki Strings Program is founded on the philosophies of Japanese violinist and pedagogue Dr. Shinichi Suzuki, who believed that “every child can.” The method is based on the language-learning model of the Mother Tongue in which all children learn their native language through exposure and imitation and further develop skills through repetition, encouragement, and refinement. TBMS has a partnership with *Music and Arts*, a company that rents instruments at an extremely affordable price.

## **SINGING FUNDAMENTALS**

If your child loves to sing at a young age, it's important to make sure they develop healthy singing habits. This class builds awareness about the basics of breath and body support, sound projection, and performance skills through age appropriate songs that inspire the students. The class will incorporate ear-training and sight-singing and foster a supportive and safe place for young children to share in the joy of singing.

## **GROUP PIANO LEVEL I**

Our group piano program brings students together to learn from each other in a supportive, collaborative environment. In our group piano lab, each student plays on a full-sized digital piano, offering an individual experience with the instrument as well as the opportunity to play as an ensemble. Group piano classes incorporate instruction in proper playing technique, music theory, note reading, and the basics of improvisation to create a solid foundation for future private study.

## **RHYTHM ARCHITECTS I AND II**

Rhythm has been an essential part of our communication, expression, and self-development throughout human history. Using drums, bells, shakers, and xylophones, your child will learn the fundamentals of how to play a vast array of percussion instruments, enabling your child to explore his or her own sense of rhythm, melody, and song in a creative and adventurous atmosphere. Using improvisation to create a pathway to basic composition skills, the aim of Rhythm Architects is to lay a strong, positive foundation for future musical endeavors. **Level I: Ages 6-8 years** **Level II: Ages 8-12 years**

## **PRIVATE LESSONS**

TBMS will work with you to pair our highly trained, experienced and dedicated faculty with your children. Included in the price are monthly Young Artist Recitals for those students ready and excited to perform. The private lesson program schedule aligns with the public school calendar and has rolling admissions. Lessons are available in 20 instruments.

## **PRICES AND WHO TO CONTACT**

### **Extended program**

14 weeks, 90 minute classes \$875 per semester

Full year (28 weeks) \$1650 for the year

Please note that prices are based on full enrollment of 6 children per class. Instrument rental is not included. Prices at \$150 for violins and \$250 for cellos for the year.

### **TBMS Group Classes**

12 weeks, 45 minute classes \$515 (non-River price is \$570 plus \$45)

Rhythm Architects, 16 weeks, 45 minute classes \$640 (non-River price is \$712 plus \$45)

For the extended program and the TBMS group classes, please email the Early Childhood Coordinator [Patti Onorato](mailto:patti@tbms.org) at [patti@tbms.org](mailto:patti@tbms.org) for more information.

### **Private lessons**

First lesson is a **free trial lesson** at a value of \$58. If the student decides to enroll, students enroll for the remainder of the 17 week semester. Registration fee is waived for River families. For more details, please email the Student Services Manager [Amy Desiato](mailto:amy@tbms.org) at [amy@tbms.org](mailto:amy@tbms.org) for an individualized placement process.

**Please note that pickup from the River School is offered for the extended program only. There is no pickup service for TBMS group classes or private lessons.**

***Please reach out with your questions and we look forward to welcoming you in the fall!***