

Topher Allan Music Teaching Philosophy

As educators, our role is to provide a safe and welcoming environment for students to learn and grow. It is important for learning to take place in such an environment so that students are both free to be themselves, and free to make mistakes. This way, mistakes happen in a safe, forgiving environment where students can learn from them before they have to learn those lessons in the real world. It is crucial that educators prepare students to be high-functioning members of society when they leave the sheltered environment of school, regardless of what their roles or vocations may be.

The most important gift we can give our students is an education that is student-centered. In order for students to learn, they must be involved in their own education and have a say in what they are learning and how they learn and demonstrate that learning. The best learning happens when it is cooperative and collaborative in nature, letting students learn from each other and become more actively engaged in their learning. We make it a point to take into account our students' interests and learning styles as we teach, as well as provide students with multiple means of demonstrating their learning.

As teachers, our goal is to be facilitators of learning and a mediators of dialogue rather than simply telling students what we want them know. We believe we can learn just as much from our students as they can learn from us, so we want to be sure to show them as much respect as they give us by allowing a free flow of students' ideas and interpretations. This is done by allowing students some input in choosing the music that they perform, as well as specific content they want to learn. Music can drive certain emotions and a certain piece can mean something different to each person. We want to validate our students and their feelings about a piece by allowing them to share their personal connections so that students are able to combine their various experiences to create a deeper and broader interpretation of a piece.



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Fall Semester Recital

at



November 28th, 2018

Group A, 6pm-6:55pm

- Abby Casino - King of the African Drum
- Jordan Namawi - Hot Cross Buns
- Max Diffenderfer - The Walking Song
- Mario Class - Tightrope Walker
- Timothy Karnkaingpai - My Invention
- Alex Mosdesto - I like Bananas
- Ryan Quizhpi - Au Clair de la Lune
- Nychelle Opina - Petit Papa
- Hayley Zekaya - Old MacDonald
- Monica Rios - Bourree
- Melanie Alvarez - This is not Jingle Bells
- Lucio Ibarra - Diabelli Duet
- Hoakim Ibarra - Diabelli Duet, Waltz Op. 69 No.1 Chopin
- Maui Quezon - Bingo, Copy Cat
- Aiden Poshi - Young Hunter Duet, Half Time Show
- Chuyan Zhao - Minuet
- Maya Gilbert - Forest Drums
- Tulse MoralesJohnson - Spanish Caballero
- Jeevan Kuthsa - Monsters on the Run

- Olivia Hysenukaj - Kites in the Sky
- Eliza Hysenukaj - Bagpipes
- Roman Delrosario - Ice Skaters
- Shuhan Zhao - Giocoso Duet (Chuyan), Wild Horseman
- Olivia Segura - Viva la France, Sonatina
- Eva Ferko - Arabesque
- Chris Morrow and Antonia Makridakis - Poulenc Flute Sonata 2nd Mvt

Group Photo 6:55pm

The Teachers

Kristiana Cabelli
Tyler Miles
Christopher Morrow

Group B, 7pm-8pm

- Micheli Perez - Ode to Joy
- Aaden Whiteside - Herbie Hippo
- Lea Mohr - Planetarium
- Macie Emberson - Bingo, Firefly
- Ilyas Burki - Copy Cat
- Zoelle Liu - Monsters on the Run
- Olivia Nardelli - Row Your Boat
- Ben Sweeney - Duke of York Strut, Turkish March
- Carla Cervantes - Pumpkin Boogie
- Carlina Cervantes - Dragon Hunt
- Siena Uranza- Greensleeves, New World Theme
- Aidan Robinson - Carol of the Bells, Giocoso
- Ryan Robinson - Giocoso, Pumpkin Boogie
- Sofie Castellanos - What a Wonderful World
- Aidrick Hernandez - Minuet, Emperor Penguin
- Yamil Hernandez - Emperor Penguin, Sonatina
- Elliot Nardelli - Lunar Eclipse

- Eleanor Funke - Spanish Caballero, Emperor Penguin March
- Owen Funke - Emperor Penguin, Sonatina
- Melenie Delgado - Night of the Tarantella
- Alexandre Agbay - Mountain King Duet, Allegro
- Nick Metz - Emperor Penguin Duet, Scarborough Fair
- Aaron DelaCruz - Excursion, Giocoso
- Andrew DelaCruz - Giocoso, Sugar Plum Fairy
- Johnathan Wong - Chivalry
- Ranvic Pasaylo - River Flows in You, Scherzo and Trio Duet
- Eric Roman - Invention No. 1
- Matei Jirebie - Scherzo and Trio Duet (Anthony Pop), Gramofon Waltz
- Santiago Baca - Bach Prelude
- Anthony Metz - Claire de Lune

Group Photo 8pm