

# Noteworthy News

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## New Teachers Bring More Music to Studio

It's amazing how gifts come into your life. For me, my illness surprised me with two special friends who agreed to share their musical talents with us. I'm pleased to introduce:



### Pat Sherman

I love music and sharing it with others. My education reflects my desire to teach:

- B.S. in Music Education (as a strings major) from Lebanon Valley College
- M.A. in Piano Pedagogy (how to teach piano)
- Voice study with Barbara Bland for several years

I've taught piano at Oakland University and Band, Choir and General Music at Oxford Christian Academy.

I currently play string bass in the Orion

Chamber Music Society, following time with the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, Bergen Philharmonic and Rochester Symphony. I'm an active musician at Maranatha Baptist Church in Clarkston playing the piano and directing the children's choir. I've enjoyed meeting many of you over the summer and look forward to teaching new students on Mondays at the studio.

### Jensyn Cone

Hi! I'm so excited to be a new music teacher at Baybrook Associates! I've loved music all my life.

When my Mom was pregnant with me and played the organ at church, I would kick and kick her stomach.

I began violin lessons at age 6, piano lessons at 11 and voice lessons in high school. I minored in music at Bob Jones University, studying Piano, Voice, and Music Theory. Right now, I enjoy playing special music, hymns and accompanying at my church, Maranatha Baptist. If you know of someone looking for Saturday lessons, I'd love to teach them!

## Mark Your Calendars

Don't forget these important upcoming events:

**Oct 31 at Evola Music** performance details coming soon!

**Dec 14-19** Christmas Performance Classes

**Dec 20-26** Christmas Break

**Dec 27-Jan 2** New Year's Break

**Jan 3-9** Teachers' Vacation Week (Miss Kristi's son is getting married!)

**Mar 27** Junior Festival

**Apr 26-30** Spring Performance Classes (mock judging for Guild)

**Apr 29-May 8** Guild Auditions (dates and times not assigned yet)



## Summer Perfect Practice Achievements

**Perfect Practice Achievements for the Summer Months are as follows:**

**Emily—Piano\***

**Taylor—Piano\***

**Kelsey—Piano\***

**Benjamin—Piano\***

**Samuel—Piano\***

**Naomi—Piano\***

**Ashley—Piano\***

**Alec—Piano\***

**Gabriela—Piano\***

**Lawrence—Clarinet\*\***

**Weekly Perfect Practice is achieved when a student gets all of their required 5 practices for**

**the week. That student puts a sticker on the chart in the studio and receives something from the “treasure box.”**

**Students achieving Perfect Practice for every week of the month are recognized in the Noteworthy News.**

**Students achieving Perfect Practice from Recital to Recital receive a gold medal—denoted with an “\*”. Students beginning lessons after the November Recital are eligible for a Silver Medal if they achieve Perfect Practice for every month they were enrolled at Baybrook**

**Associates Music Studio—denoted with an “\*\*\*”.**

## Give Your Teacher a Call (or Email)

At this time of year, I like to remind students and their families about Baybrook Associates' **Cancellation/Make-up Policy**. I developed the policy based on a few facts about teaching:

- We like our students and enjoy our lesson time together.
- We get concerned if they don't show up.
- We plan our schedules based on lessons.
- We understand conflicts and sickness can arise making it necessary to cancel.

**Please give your teacher 24-hour notice if you need to cancel a lesson.** At that time, we can schedule a make-up lesson.

If you can't give 24-hour notice, still let us know if you need to cancel. Unfortunately, with less than 24-hours, I can't guarantee a make-up lesson, and refunds are not available.

**“Let us know if you're not going to make it to a lesson. That way we won't worry.”**

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## Welcome New Students!

I'm so excited to introduce to you, three new students:

Lydia Tobias is the 4<sup>th</sup> child in her family to begin lessons here with Miss Kristi. She is already doing very well and having fun!

Gina Galligan is 6 yrs. old and is already proficient at finding middle C. She loves to run to the "magic doorknob" and see how quickly she can find the correct hand position. She is little sister to Catherine Galligan, who is a High School student here at Baybrook Associates Music Studio.

Finally, we have Griffin Galligan joining the studio. Let me just warn you, he's got a tremendous memory and given the opportunity, he'll beat you at the musical memory game almost every time! Griffin is 6 years old and brother to Gina and Catherine.

Maybe it is time for a younger brother or sister from your family to begin lessons. If you would like to start lessons, just let Miss Kristi know and we'll get your new young one on the schedule! Siblings of current students always come to the head of the waiting list!

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