

BERKSHIRE MUSIC SCHOOL

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MISSION

It is the mission of the Berkshire Music School to foster the love and pursuit of music for all ages through quality music education activities, community collaborations, and performance opportunities.

HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

The Berkshire Music School offers:

- Activities to include private and group lessons, ensembles, workshops and classes
- Collaborations with area cultural organizations, social service agencies and senior centers/residences
- Performances such as in house recitals, concerts and master classes, in addition to offsite performances and residencies
- Gifted and experienced musicians and educators as faculty

CONTACT

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HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

PROGRAMS

- Private & Group Lessons: Those interested in studying with a professional musician can sign up over the phone. Music instruction is offered in more than 20 instruments (listed online).
- Lessons for College Credit: BMS offers lessons for credit at Berkshire Community College (Pittsfield). High school, college, and adult students who desire college credit can register as BCC students, paying tuition at BMS with waived tuition from the college. Private lessons earn one or two credits, depending upon the level at which the instruction is occurring, per semester.
- <u>Classes & Workshops</u>: Berkshire Music School has a number of classes and workshops, including but not limited to Guitar & Ukulele Clubs and the Teen's Singing Workshop, *Finding Your Voice*.
- <u>Ensembles</u>: A number of ensemble programs are offered for all ages and designed to cater to different level of interest and/or experience. Current offerings include the Jazz Ensemble, Adult and Youth Chamber Ensembles, a Flute Choir, String Groups, and a Keyboard Class. Professionally coached ensembles meet weekly; sessions begin in September, January and during special summer offerings. Public performances follow each session.
- o <u>Summer at Berkshire Music School</u>: BMS offers a variety of summer music camps and private or group lesson for all ages.

* Additional programming is listed online.

EVENTS

- Music@theTAFT: A professional concert series.
- o Community & Special Occasion: Berkshire Music School has 35 talented and experienced faculty members who love to perform. They have classical, jazz, and cabaret styles for weddings, parties, meetings, and house concerts. Call or email outreach@berkshiremusicschool.org to book an event complete with top quality live music.
- * Additional events are listed online.

RESOURCES

- <u>Financial Aid and Scholarships</u>: Financial / work-study aid is available for students with proven financial need.
- Outreach: Berkshire Music School offers a number of outreach programs, including performances and workshops by professional faculty members such as in school assemblies, after school cultural enrichment programs and artists in residence. BMS is happy to work with anyone interested in bringing music into the classroom by seeking funding support through granting agencies and local businesses.