

Music Elements

The Beat is What Counts~



June 2020

Newsletter

School Re-Opening

Finally! We can start to re-open and get back to some normalcy! Emails have gone out this past week for summer scheduling. We will be ready for lessons to resume starting July 6th, just in time for our summer session!

We have been planning and working on new procedures to keep everyone as safe as possible while here at our school.



Got some news that you would like to share?

Let us know if there is something you have to share in our newsletter and we will post your accomplishments so that everyone can share in the news!

Arrival to School:

- All students remain outside or in vehicle until your instructor comes down to get you.
 - No one except the student will be in the building.
 - If a parent or guardian needs to be with a child, they will go into classroom during lesson
 - Hand Sanitizer at the top of the stairs
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Cleaning:

- All lessons will have 10 minutes in between for sanitation by instructor
Teachers are to completely sanitize entire room...
Prior to the start of the day / between students / end of day
 - If you need to use the bathroom, ask the staff for the key.
 - Staff to clean office at end of day
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Payments:

- Monthly payments mailed in advance to:
Music Elements
3 Summer St - 2nd Floor
Chelmsford, Ma 01824
 - If you are not able to financially afford one complete month at a time, you can leave a
check or the exact amount of cash with the office staff.
We will not be making change at this time.
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Masks and Shields

- All Vocal students will wear a shield during lessons
- Horn students and instructors will sit 6 feet apart facing opposite directions.
Both student and instructor will each have a music stand.

TEMPLATE (I/II) COVID-19 Control plan



All businesses in the state of MA must develop a written control plan outlining how its workplace will comply with the mandatory safety standards for operation in the COVID-19 reopening period. This template may be filled out to meet that requirement. Control plans **do not** need to be submitted for approval but must be kept on premise and made available in the case of an inspection or outbreak.

All individually listed businesses must complete a control plan, even if the business is part of a larger corporation or entity.

BUSINESS INFORMATION | please provide the following information

Business name: **Music Elements** Check if part of a larger corporation

Address: **2 Summer St - 2nd Fl, Chelmsford, MA 01824**

Contact information (Owner/Manager): **Anita Connerty**

Contact information (HR representative), if applicable:

Number of workers on-site: **3**

SOCIAL DISTANCING | check the boxes to certify that you have:

- Ensured that all persons, including employees, customers, and vendors remain at least six feet apart to the greatest extent possible, both inside and outside workplaces
- Established protocols to ensure that employees can practice adequate social distancing
- Posted signage for safe social distancing
- Required face coverings or masks for all employees
- Implemented additional procedures. Please describe them here: **Students will wait outside the building until the instructor comes to get them for their lesson.**

HYGIENE PROTOCOLS | check the boxes to certify that you have:

- Provided hand washing capabilities throughout the workplace
- Ensured frequent hand washing by employees and provided adequate supplies to do so
- Provided regular sanitization of high touch areas, such as workstations, equipment, screens, doorknobs, restrooms throughout work site
- Implemented additional procedures. Please describe them here: **Classrooms will be cleaned prior to the start of lessons, in between each lesson and at end of teaching day.**

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STAFFING & OPERATIONS check the boxes to certify that you have:

- Provided training for employees regarding the social distancing and hygiene protocols
- Ensured employees who are displaying COVID-19-like symptoms do not report to work
- Established a plan for employees getting ill from COVID-19 at work, and a return-to-work plan
- Implemented additional procedures. Please describe them here: **No one except staff will be allowed in the office. Any money will be exchanged in basket on outside desk.**

CLEANING & DISINFECTING check the boxes to certify that you have:

- Established and maintained cleaning protocols specific to the business
- Ensured that when an active employee is diagnosed with COVID-19, cleaning and disinfecting is performed
- Prepared to disinfect all common surfaces at intervals appropriate to said workplace
- Implemented additional procedures. Please describe them here: **Classrooms will be cleaned prior to the start of lessons, in between each lesson and at end of teaching day.**

Welcome Back Laura

Laura Altenor



Laura's soulful musical roots began in a Haitian Baptist church at the age of 5. Starring in Off-Broadway Shows such as Sister Chantelle in *BARE*, Miss Sophia in *The Color Purple*, and stars as the lead "CECE" in a new musical called *This Is Treatment* directed by Elizabeth Addison. She sang for the Boston Symphony Hall and was a lead vocalist on the Original USA Gospel Singers European Tour and Sound of America National Tour.

Laura has new music out as an R&B artist under the name, Ellore L.A. Her music uses her life story to inspire people and spread self-love. She studied Music Education at Umass Lowell and during college she began teaching voice at Music Elements. She taught voice and piano for 5 years to over 150 students. The summer of 2018, she got a role on a TV Pilot called "Class N Session" which she filmed that summer. From the work she did, she received an offer to be a production coordinator for Quincy Jones Global Network and decided to move to Los Angeles. Since moving to Los Angeles, she was the Musical Director for, "For Colored Girls", the Delores Van Cartier in "Sister Act the Musical", and casted in two feature films. She worked on the set of HBO's "Insecure" and the show "This is Us"!

Laura is excited to be back teaching at Music Elements! Until our school is safely allowed to open, Laura is teaching all of the voice and piano lessons online.

Yoga with Martha



Breath. Stand tall. Move freely. And sing.

This video is the first in a series in which we explore the benefits of yoga for singing. In this video, we are focusing on the upper body and simple standing postures that help to deepen the breath. Submit pictures of you practicing to marobertson@methuen.k12.ma.us to share the learning and the fun!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ggePOzoMWqQ>

Have you heard of this?

Singing Ringing Tree

This work of art is constructed from varying lengths of pipe. As the winds pass over the pipes, it creates an eerie sound. The original towers 3 metres over the East Lancashire landscape in England. In March 2017 a sister singing ringing tree was constructed outside of Austin, Texas in the United States.





Look what's happening in June.....

Virtual Concerts

June 3

CLASSICAL

Bergen International Festival: Closing Concert with Oslo Philharmonic and Leif Ove Andsnes

Time: 12 p.m. ET

Link: [FIB](#)

June 4

COUNTRY / AMERICANA

Miss Tess and Amanda Anne Platt

Time: 9 p.m. ET

Link: [Signature Sounds](#)

EXPERIMENTAL

Fridman Gallery Solos: Abigail Levine

Time: 9 p.m. ET

Link: [Fridman Gallery](#)





June 5

CLASSICAL

Lang Lang Foundation Play It Forward: Steven (Ruochong) Cui

Time: 12 p.m. ET

Link: [Instagram](#)

June 6

MULTI-GENRE

Dear Class of 2020: Beyoncé, BTS, Alicia Keys, Lady Gaga and more

Time: 3 p.m. ET

Link: [YouTube](#)

June 7

THEATER

Virtual Tony Awards

Time: 6 p.m. ET

Link: [Tony Awards](#) / [Broadway on Demand](#)

FOLK

Anna Tivel

Time: 8 p.m. ET

Link: [Signature Sounds](#)





June 11

COUNTRY / AMERICANA

Picture Show: A Tribute to John Prine

Time: TBA

Link: [YouTube](#) / [Facebook](#)

EXPERIMENTAL

Fridman Gallery Solos: C. Lavender

Time: 6 p.m. ET

Link: [Fridman Gallery](#)

June 15

CLASSICAL

The Violin Channel Live

- Violinist Callum Smart: 1 p.m. ET

Link: [YouTube](#) / [Facebook](#)

June 20

K-POP

KCON:TACT 2020 Summer

Time: 12 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. ET

Link: [YouTube](#)

Note: KCON has not yet announced a detailed lineup or schedule. Check the festival's [website](#) for more details.



June 21

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June 22

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June 23

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June Birthdays

- Caleb F, a student of John's
- Vinodini K, a student of Tyler's
- Vardhini K, a student of Elena's
- Devon G, a student of Alex's
- Hailey G, a student of Alex's
- Andrew B, a student of Justin's
- Mason P, a student of John's
- Maya S, a student of Cayla's
- Alyssa D, a student of Alex's
- Aaron C, a student of Marko's

Happy Birthday from Everyone at
Music Elements

Famous Musicians who also share Birthdays in June

- Prince, June 7, 1958
- Kanye West, June 8, 1977
- Cyndi Lauper, June 22, 1953
- Blake Shelton, June 18, 1976
- Paula Abdul, June 19, 1962
- Lionel Richie, June 20, 1949
- Barry Manilow, June 17, 1943
- Uncle Kracker, June 6, 1974
- Mark Wahlberg, June 5, 1971
- Johnny Depp, June 9, 1963
- Drake Bell, June 27, 1986



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INSTAGRAM

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Music Elements has T-shirts for sale! They can be purchased at the music school for \$15.00 each.



If you don't find your name in this month's newsletter, we will try to catch you next month. Be sure to share with your instructor about your activities.

Happy Summer!

**Anita, Dylan, John, Cayla, Peter,
Alex, Marko, Jake, Elena,
Martha, Tyler, Justin and Olivia**

