

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

2022



Upcoming:



WINTER SHOWCASE December 2nd - 4th

This year, we are excited to have recitals held in-house! They will be performed in the Dance Studio, located next to our upstairs location.

| 6 PM - Voice/Piano |
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| 7 PM - Voice/Piano |
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Friday 12/2

| Saturday 12/3 | Sunday 12/4 |
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| 9 AM - Piano | 10 AM - Winds |
| 10 AM - Violin | 11 AM - Winds |
| 11 AM - Violin | 12 AM - Guitar |
| 12 PM - Piano | 1 PM - Voice/Piano |
| 1 PM - Cello/Guitar | 2 PM - Voice/Piano |
| 2 PM - Violin | 3 PM - Drums |
| 3 PM - Voice/Piano | |

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Live-streams will be available on Facebook and YouTube.

4 PM - Guitar

Welcome 50 New Students!



Dante A.

Dominic A.

Jack B.

Kaylee C.

Mustafa C.

Lilly D.

Nicky D.

Evelyn D.

Gabrielle E.

Priscilla E.



Thanksgiving Break: Tues 11/22 - Friday 11/25



Congratulations Carmen, Jenna and Emilia!



50 New Students Continued:

Dylan F.

Lanique G.

James G.

Rex g.

Emmi H.

Chloe H.

Kimberlee H.

Vihaan J.

Sam J.

Shayne K.

Lillian K.

Daniel L.

Alex L.

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We are extremely excited to welcome new, amazing teachers to our Forté Family!

Greg - Acoustic, Electric & Bass Guitar



Greg started playing guitar at the age of 14 after seeing Randy Rhodes live in concert. In his young 20s he started playing in local bands and teaching in local music stores finally landing a permanent teaching position at Peeler Music where he taught for 15 years.

Greg has released two instrumental guitar CDs which have been sold worldwide on the guitar9 website. He has been a committed guitarist for Cedar Creek Church for the last 14 years and has another instrumental project in the works. Some of Greg's main influences include Eric Johnson John Petrucci and Toledo native Jeff Kollman.

As a guitar teacher, Greg is excited to teach at Forté, help his students succeed, and share his knowledge and enthusiasm for music and music education.

50 New Students Continued:

Matthew L.

Benjamin L.

Norah L.

Griffin L.

Rowen L.

Molly M.

Dave M.

Rory N.

Henry O.

Asher O.

Evelynn P.

Lily P.

Jase R.

Eric S.

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Danielle - Piano



Danielle started taking piano lessons at the age of 9 and quickly developed a passion for piano music. Her primary instrument is the piano, and she enjoys working with piano students of all ages.

Danielle strives to create positive and beneficial learning environments for her piano students. She effectively helps students achieve their individual musical goals and gain a deeper connection to music.

In 2019, Danielle completed the Associate of Fine Arts in Music degree at East Central College in Union, MO. She recently received the Bachelor of Arts in Music degree from Southeast Missouri State University in May 2022. During her undergraduate education, Danielle completed a minor in Jazz Studies and gained piano accompaniment experience in various settings such as vocal ensembles, chamber music, and jazz ensembles.

Danielle studied Classical piano music while growing up as a child and teenager, but she has a deep appreciation for numerous styles and genres of music. She has worked on various styles of music with her piano students - such as Pop, Rock, and Jazz. As a piano teacher, Danielle is passionate about helping her students succeed.

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50 New Students Continued:

Henry S.

Louie S.

Lisa S.

Alyssa S.

Brice S.

Amira T.

Isaac T.

Paityn T.

Muh'Ryah T.

Vincent W.

Grace W.

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Deja - Voice, Piano



Deja, the soprano is a Dallas, Texas native. In her youth Deja was always drawn to the world of music, she played many instruments while in grade school, and participated in many youth orchestras and bands. Entering her freshman year of college Deja received a band scholarship that allowed her to attend Prairie View A&M University, a small college near Houston, Texas. This was where Deja was inspired to join the university choir and become a voice at the beginning of her sophomore year. From that moment Deja fell in love with performing and through the university choir gained valuable experience as a musician and soloist. As a member of

PVAMU Concert Chorale Deja performed several large choral works, including Carl Orff's Carmina Burana, Duruflé's Requiem, and Leonard Bernstein's Chichester Psalms.

In 2018, she was a chorus soloist with the Victorian Symphony in their concert performance of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, and, later that year, performed on national television as a soloist with 105 Voices of History at MLK50, the 50th Commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Deja has also been a member and soloist in ensembles such as Prairie View Singers, Houston Ebony Opera Guild, and Voices of Houston. In 2019 Deja was a semifinalist in the Greater Houston NATS Vocal Competition. The following year Deja participated in a masterclass with renowned mezzo-soprano Jamie Barton where Barton deemed Deja "Made for opera!"

Moving forward Deja hopes to share her love of music with a vast and diverse audience and share her knowledge with aspiring young singers. From January 2021 to April 2022, she taught as a voice and beginner piano teacher at Vivaldi Music Academy in Houston, Texas, and just recently began teaching at Forté Music School in Toledo, Ohio.

In December of 2021, Deja earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Vocal Performance from Prairie View A&M University, and she is continuing her education at Bowling Green State University pursuing a master's degree in Music Voice Performance.

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Soloman - Voice, Piano



Being born and raised in Philadelphia, Solomon has been around so much music and creativity that has shaped him into the teacher he is today.

Solomon has been performing in All City Choirs since he was in middle school. That led to his attendance at The Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush, where his main focus was the voice. During his time there, he excelled in multiple different areas of music.

Now Solomon is attending the University of Toledo as a Vocal Jazz Education major with hopes of attending grad school to further his love for music. When teaching Solomon tries to have his students tap into their love for music because he believes that if you are truly passionate about your art then only at that point you can succeed.

Forté is Filling up! Here are the remaining teacher openings!

Monday:

Amy L (flute) - 1 Opening

Chavar (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Chelsea (voice/piano)- 1 Opening

Dana (violin) - 2 Openings

Daniel (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

David (guitar/voice/piano) - 1 Opening Jim A (Cello) - 2 Openings

Jim A (cello) - 2 Operlings

Jim S. (voice/piano) – 2 Openings

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Julia (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Katherine (piano) - 3 Openings

Kevin S. (winds/piano) - 1 Opening

Melissa (violin) - 2 Openings

Ron (guitar/banjo) – 2 Openings

Scott (drums) – 2 Openings

Solomon (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Sy (piano) - SOLD OUT

Tuesday:

Bogdan (violin/viola) - SOLD OUT Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Chloe (voice/guitar) - 1 Opening

Connor (guitar) - 2 Openings

Danielle (piano) - 1 Opening

Evelyn (violin) - 1 Opening

Gracie (violin) - 3 Openings

Greg (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Jim A. (cello) - 3 Openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) – 3 Openings

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Julia (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Tuesday Continued:

Katherine (brass, piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin S. (winds) - SOLD OUT

Melanie (piano) - SOLD OUT

Melissa (violin) - SOLD OUT

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - 1 Opening

Ron (guitar/banjo) - 2 Openings

Sy (piano) - SOLD OUT

Taylor (piano) - SOLD OUT

Wednesday:

Cam (guitar/piano) - 2 Openings

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

David (guitar/voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Evelyn (violin) - 2 Openings

Jim A. (cello) - 3 Openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Julia (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Katherine (brass, piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin P. (piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin S. (winds) - SOLD OUT

Melanie (piano) - 1 Opening

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - 2 Openings

Ron (guitar/banjo) - 2 Openings

Sam (drums) - 1 Opening

Sy (piano) - 1 Opening

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Tajj (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Thomas (classical guitar) - 3 Openings

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Thursday:

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Dana (violin) - 2 Openings

Danielle (piano) - 3 Openings

David (guitar/voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Evelyn (violin) - 1 Opening

Greg (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Jim A. (cello) - 2 Openings

Jim S. (voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Katherine (piano) - SOLD OUT

Kevin S. (winds) - 1 Opening

Lucas (voice/guitar/uke) - SOLD OUT

Marjorie (piano) - SOLD OUT

Orlando (piano) - 3 Openings

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - 1 Opening

Ron (guitar/banjo) - 1 Opening

Scott (drums) - 2 Openings

Sy (piano) - 3 Openings

Friday:

Bogdan (violin) - SOLD OUT

Brandon (voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Dan (guitar) - 1 Opening

Greg (guitar) - 2 Openings

Jane (trumpet/piano) - 2 Openings

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Julia (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Melissa (violin) - SOLD OUT

Nolan (piano) - SOLD OUT

Orlando (piano) - 2 Openings

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Randy (violin) - 2 Openings

Saturday:

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Danielle (piano) - 2 Openings

Darius (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

David (guitar/voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Deja (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Grace (saxophone, clarinet) - 3 Openings

Jim A. (cello) - 2 Openings

Jordan (drums) - SOLD OUT

Joslynn (voice/piano) - 3 Openings

Nolan (piano) - 2 Openings

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Ron (guitar/banjo) - 2 Openings

Sunday:

Ayanna (violin) - 2 Openings

Cam (guitar/piano) - 1 Opening

Chavar (guitar) - 1 Opening

Chelsea (voice/piano) - SOLD OUT

Daniel (piano) - 2 Openings

Darius (voice/piano) - 1 Opening

Jim A. (cello) - 1 Opening

Joslynn (voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Kevin P. (piano) - 3 Openings

Orlando (piano) - 1 Opening

Peter (guitar) - SOLD OUT

Sara (voice/piano) - 2 Openings

Scott (drums) - SOLD OUT

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Thomas (classical guitar) - 1 Opening