

(CP) Learning to Read Music

Learning to read music can be exciting and open many doors for you to meet other people, start learning new things and have lots of fun.

This class will provide you with a head start in learning to read music. There will be 5 weeks during this session. We will cover a brief orientation outlining different learning styles involved in learning to read music, how music impacts the brain and body and music reading fundamentals. Orientation on the many types of instrument families, different voices, and classes will also be provided.

Class will involve lectures, discussions, demonstrations, screen-sharing music learning sites, questions & answers, exercises and of course homework.
(exercises & homework will be short and easy to help with memory retention)

Week 1

Lesson 1

Introductions with all students

Class orientation - schedule, structure of the class, safety/health issues, equipment requirements, Q&A's.

Learning Styles orientation and how they are involved in learning to read music.

Description of how music impacts the Brain and Body

Description of different types of musical instruments and voices

Description of different types of music classes at Olli

Note names, staves, clefs (Treble & Bass)

Provide homework exercises

Week 2

Discuss Questions & Answers about Lesson 1

Review of Lesson 1

Lesson 2 - types of notes, rests, bar lines, flats & sharps

Provide homework exercises

Week 3

Discuss Questions & Answers about Lesson 1 & 2

Review of Lesson 1 & 2

Lesson 3 - time signatures, different rhythms, major scale patterns, major key signatures

Provide homework exercises

Week 4

Discuss Questions & Answers about Lesson 1, 2, & 3

Review of Lesson 1, 2, & 3

Lesson 4 - Circle of Fifths, intervals, & introduction of minor scales

Provide homework exercises

Week 5

Discuss Questions & Answers about Lesson 1, 2, 3 & 4

Review of Lesson 1, 2, 3 & 4

Lesson 4 - analyze simple children's songs to identify notes, types of notes, rests, bar lines, time signatures, different rhythms, & key signatures

Summarize basic Learning to Read Music concepts, musical instrument families, voices & classes.