



## February 2023



### Mark Your Calendar!

**President's Day - Mon., February 20th**  
MLC IS OPEN FOR ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED LESSONS

**New Recital Dates!**  
Our 2023 Spring Recitals are Fri. thru Sun., June 23-25.

Participating students will be notified of their assigned recital section's day and time by May 20th.

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**Help us Grow on Social Media by Following  
Music Learning Center  
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It's easy! Just click on the link below.  
Weekly we post carefully selected content about music education and MLC events.

Please join Us!



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## Noteworthy Student Accomplishments



**Congratulations** to

MLC students Matthew Uy (piano) and Joey Velasco (violin), who performed with the Ridgefield High School Chamber Ensemble on January 11th.

Matthew studies with MLC piano instructor Antonette Cornelius; Joey studies with our violin instructor Anthony Mancuso.

Matthew was featured in the ensemble's performance of J.S. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto #5, 1st Movement, which can be seen here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zu0rDZWsHe4>

Don't miss Mathew's difficult extended solo passage at 7:35, near the end of the piece.

**Congratulations to these talented young men and the entire RHS Chamber Ensemble!**



We continue our **celebration** of **noteworthy student accomplishments** in our spring newsletters!

Please **notify your instructor or the office** if you would like to submit an item for inclusion.



## IMPORTANT WEATHER REMINDER!

On snowy days, check our Danbury Studio's **HOMEPAGE** or call (203) 748-1444 to see if all lessons will be held Online that day instead of in person. You may find more information about our Weather Policies & Procedures **HERE**.

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**MORE NOTES & REMINDERS**

- **Makeup Lesson Scheduling** - Login to your Lesson Management System account. Use the login link below for the studio where you take your lessons:  
[DANBURY STUDIO - RIDGEFIELD STUDIO](#)
  - If you are eligible to schedule a makeup, then the "Schedule a Makeup" link will appear on your dashboard.
  - Additional information about student absences and makeup lesson eligibility is included in our [MLC Policies](#).
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## WE'VE ADDED A NEW PERFORMING GROUP!

There is still time to let us know if you are interested in joining one of the groups we will be forming this spring!

Consider enhancing your lessons by participating in a Rock or Jazz Band, a Chamber Ensemble, and our new group, the **Guitar Ensemble**.

Please [Email the MLC office](#) for more information.

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## Parents Ask .....

**"My child is progressing so well....should we consider increasing the length of their weekly lessons?"**

As a music student becomes more advanced a longer weekly lesson can increase their rate of progress. During each lesson a more advanced student will be playing or singing longer pieces and more of them. That is when it can become difficult for the teacher to hear and evaluate each one fully in the allotted time.

As students progress they are also more capable of handling and benefiting from additional time spent on theory, sight reading and repertoire review. 30 minute lessons can provide an adequate amount of time for beginning and early intermediate level students, but *many of our intermediate and advanced students take 45 or 60 minute lessons each week.*

We encourage you to **Speak with your teacher** about the benefits that a longer weekly lesson might offer.

If you want to see what scheduling options are available for a longer lesson, you can do that from your Lesson Management System account. Just log into your dashboard and click "**Change Time or Teacher.**" From there you can filter and view the available days, times and rates for longer lessons. Please let the office know if you have any questions or need assistance.

## Questions or comments?



We would love to hear from you. [Send Us a Note](#)

Thank you for being a part of the Music Learning Center!

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