Join Us for A Super Collaboration!



Alison Barr – Intro to Piano Carol Cybulska – Intro to Singing Sunday, December 20, 2020, on Zoom Piano at 3:00 p.m. Voice at 4:15 p.m.

Intro to piano:**

Join us for a jam-packed and informative intro to playing the piano.

What do you already know?

Being at the piano - Hand position, posture, relaxation

Playing with two hands – Reading bass and treble clefs simultaneously

Playing while singing – How to accompany yourself with simple chords

Getting started on a favorite piece – Piano Man

**Students in piano class will need a piano or keyboard with strong internet in the same room, and a camera aimed on upper body, keyboard and hands....

Intro to singing:

Come and enjoy a fun-filled hour of learning about your own unique voice.

No slouching, please! - Posture
Where do I breathe? - Discovering your natural breath
Stretch out those vocal folds! - Importance of vocal exercises
Diction, please! - The lips, the teeth, the tip of the tongue
Putting it all together - Singing a simple song
Now do it all sitting down - Singing while playing piano

Teacher Bios

Alison Barr, piano teacher

Ms. Barr is a seasoned and inspired teacher with forty-five years of experience in myriad settings. She currently operates an in-home independent studio in Hanover, MA, where she teaches thirty students of all ages and levels. She is proud to have been named "Teacher of the Year" by the Massachusetts Music Teachers Association. Her teaching specializations include middle school, high school and avocational adult students. Ms. Barr has been called upon by her colleagues to share her journey from in-person to virtual piano instruction, and now teaches students from Manhattan, New Zealand, Lebanon and the D.C. area, as well as her local students. Ms. Barr is a board member and faculty member of American Voices YES Academy, an organization that brings cultural education and diplomacy to recently peaceful areas all over the world. She is active in Music Teachers National Association, Massachusetts Music Teachers Association and South Shore Music Teachers Association.

Carol Cybulska, voice teacher

Ms. Cybulska has been singing since early childhood and sang professionally for almost 20 years in Europe, where she moved after college. While working as a language teacher and then translator, she studied voice at conservatories in Germany and Switzerland. For many years she toured and recorded as a solo artist and with several ensembles. After returning to the US, she began the most rewarding part of her career: teaching voice at her home studio in Kingston and in after-school private lesson programs and summer vocal workshops. She has taught hundreds of students over the last 20 years, ranging in age from 10 to 70, and helped numerous students successfully prepare for district festivals, school musicals, concerts and college entrance auditions. Although classically trained, her approach to teaching singing is non-judgmental. She welcomes all singing styles and genres in her studio and works to help students develop techniques for different types of singing.