

**SLATER MUSIC ACADEMY
PRIVATE LESSON STUDIO POLICIES
WINTER/SPRING TERM 2012**

Thank you for your interest in music lessons at Slater Music Academy! We are confident we offer the finest music instruction available in the area, and we thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Winter/Spring Term 2012 consists of 17 private lessons taken between January 16 and June 3. Base tuition rates are \$15- \$23 per half-hour session. Lessons are also available in 45-minute or one-hour segments. A four private-lesson trial package is available for new students for \$80. Students may enroll at any time during the term; tuition is pro-rated for the lessons remaining. Students receive a \$1.00 per half-hour lesson discount if they pay for all lessons at the beginning of the term or at enrollment. A convenient four-payment installment plan is available. (Note: this is a pre-pay plan ONLY. Please see the Winter/Spring 2012 Registration and Payment Form for details.) There is a \$10 registration fee per family, per year, assessed at the first lesson of the year.

DAYTIME DISCOUNT PROGRAM: Private piano, voice, guitar, mandolin, banjo, dulcimer, ukulele and music theory lessons are available at significant discounts for homeschooling families, preschoolers, or other students who can schedule lessons prior to 2:30 Monday through Friday at our Fort Thomas location

PRIVATE LESSON FACULTY:

- *Rae Jean Auterson, piano/voice, combination lessons
- *Mark Haap, guitar/bass guitar/miscellaneous string instruments
- Evelina Konaniah, piano
- Miao Li, Suzuki/traditional method violin
- Joshua Nemith, piano
- *Mary Ann Powers, voice
- Rich Seil, Suzuki/traditional method piano
- *Rebecca Slater, piano/voice, combination lessons (also teaches at St. Pius X and Summit Country Day School)
- *Eric Sutton, guitar
- Wan Zhao, violin

*Instructors participating in the Daytime Discount Program

NEW STUDENTS: Please contact the Academy to select an instructor or register for a class. You may read bios of all our instructors on our website. After you select an instructor, the instructor will call you or email you within a few days to schedule your lessons. Instructors keep and maintain their own teaching schedules. Detailed pricing information is available on the Winter-Spring 2012 Registration and Payment Form.

MATERIALS FEES: There is an additional fee for books, other materials and supplies. Materials fees are non-refundable. Some instructors will purchase supplies for their

students and request reimbursement; others prefer for their students to purchase the materials directly.

PAYMENT METHODS: Slater Music Academy accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover, checks, money orders and cash. We do not keep cash on site; please bring exact change. There is a \$30 returned check fee.

WITHDRAWALS: Students may withdraw at the end of any term. Tuition refunds are only given if students move out of the area. Materials and registration fees are non-refundable.

ATTENDANCE POLICY: Please choose lesson times very carefully, as only two excused makeup lessons are allowed during the term! Lessons missed for non-emergencies (family vacation, soccer games, and other changes in schedule) will be made up only at the discretion of the instructor. Please notify your instructor at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled lesson time whenever possible if you must miss a lesson. Students arriving late for lessons will use only the remaining time left in the lesson. To cancel or to discuss scheduling issues, **please contact your instructor directly, do not phone or email the Academy.**

Instructors are not obligated to make up any missed lessons if the students have made no effort to contact them prior to missing the lessons.

GENERAL POLICY: Children under the age of six must be accompanied by a responsible caretaker in the waiting areas. Smoking is prohibited inside the building.

If you refer a student to Slater Music Academy, you will receive a coupon for \$10.00 off nine or more future lessons or classes. The coupon is valid for any programs at Slater Music Academy. Tell your referred friends to enter your name in the space provided on the registration form, and within a few weeks you will receive your coupon.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES: Mark your calendars!

- OFMC Junior Festival (for second or third year students, all instruments/voice) is Saturday, March 3, 2012 at Xavier University in the morning; Honors Recital is in the early afternoon.
- Spring Evaluations for Junior Music Experience (pianists only) are Saturday, April 28, at various locations throughout Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky.
- Spring recitals (for all students) are Saturday, May 19 at 1:00 p.m. at Willis Music in Florence, Kentucky, and Sunday, May 20 at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. in Milligan Hall at St. Pius X Church in Edgewood, Kentucky.