

East End Performing Arts

2021-22 Private Lesson Policies & Procedures

Private Students:

1. Lessons will take place in person **OR** online. You will pick **one option**. It is possible that should you wish to change, especially from online to in person, that request may be able to be accommodated for the start of the next 8 week session.
2. You are expected to be punctual for your lesson. If you are more than 10 minutes late, you forfeit your lesson. 3 lates or no-shows within an academic year are grounds for removal from EEPA.
3. Each student may make up ONE lesson per eight week session, subject to instructor availability.
4. If an in person student encounters [any of the following situations, the lesson will be moved online](#) for a period of time decided by the instructor. The same will apply to Jamie. If the student/instructor:
 - Has traveled outside of the greater Pittsburgh area for any reason
 - Has had a direct contact with a person diagnosed with Covid-19
 - Is exhibiting any signs of illness.
 - If the instructor, student, or anyone in the household, is under quarantine/isolation, the lesson(s) will take place online for the duration of that order.
5. [Only students will be permitted inside the residence, and will be admitted at the time of their lesson.](#) Other family members may wait in the car, in the picnic bench area of the upper lot, or on Jamie's patio. You may not wait inside the apartment.

6. Attendance at the Master Class (in the final week of each session) for your age group is mandatory. The dates for the year have been provided to you.

Sanitary Precautions and Practices

1. Students will wash hands with water or hand sanitizer at the beginning and end of each session.
2. **In person voice students - The internal lung pressure created by singing produces more aerosol particles than speaking or other instruments, particles shown to spread virus particles that are small in size, such as Covid-19. For your protection, and those of others in the studio, it is suggested that you wear the following for your lessons:**
 - **A KN95 or N95 mask**
 - **A 2 ply surgical mask (a disposable mask) with a reusable, cloth mask over top.**

This recommendation is based on studies from the University of Arizona Aerosol Lab study and articles from the Journal of Singing, both studies/publications geared towards musicians and their unique needs.

3. As I did pre-pandemic, the keyboard, bench and music stands will be wiped down with appropriate disinfectant between students.
 4. An air purifier and fan(s) will run in the studio to promote air exchange
 5. The instructor will maintain a distance of at least 3 feet from the student in piano or theory lessons, and at least 6 feet in voice lessons.
5. In person lessons will not be scheduled back-to-back, to aid in social distancing.