

LAAPANOTES



Christmas Concerts are Coming - Reserve Your Spot!



It's hard to believe, but Christmas is coming, and so are our 2018 Christmas Productions! We wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with a little more information on what you can expect at our concerts.

Participation in this year's Christmas Recital is open to all students at LAAPA. It's quick and easy to Sign-Up as follows:

Music - <https://laapa.com/xmas>

Dance Show - Registration/Auditions Closed Sign up by November 12 for guaranteed placement in the concerts!

- 1.) All music students are invited to perform at the concerts! Even if you just began studying this past September - chances are that you can work with your instructor to perform even a brief piece with the underlying goal of providing you with a positive introduction to the stage!
- 2.) Our concerts are held in professional auditoriums with full audio / lighting support. Vocalists - you may want to practice holding a pretend microphone in your lessons to simulate your actual on stage performance. If you'd prefer not to hold anything, the other option is leaving the microphone on the stand.
- 3.) For pianists - you will be performing on a full sized grand piano at the concerts. The piano should feel very similar to our pianos at Laapa. If you require any special sounds (electronic keyboard) - you will need to discuss this with your instructor and possibly bring your

keyboard to use at the concert.

4.) For guitarists - we provide a Fender amp (with plenty of optional effects) and a direct connection to the auditorium's sound system, so there is no need to bring your amplifiers. If you want to dial in some effects, you are welcome to bring a pedal - but please be sure to bring whatever extra patch cables you may need to connect it.

5.) For bass players - we will have a bass amp setup on stage for monitoring.

6.) For drummers - we will have a Yamaha custom acoustic drum set on stage similar to the ones many of you use in your lessons. There is no need to bring any drum equipment (other than your sticks).

7.) All violin, guitar, brass, and woodwind students - please be sure to arrive early to have your instruments tuned by one of the staff members!

8.) Dance students should arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to showtime to review the floorplan with their instructor.

9.) There are no tickets to purchase for our Christmas Music Concerts. In lieu of tickets, we ask for donations to a charity that we've been supporting for several years now through the Teresian Sisters. More information on this mission is available at <https://laapa.com/mission>. Tickets for our Dance Christmas Show are available for purchase at the Front Desk.

10.) When you arrive at the concert, be sure to pick up a program in the auditorium lobby. You may then proceed to the front of the auditorium for pictures and/or to see one of our staff members who will be seating the students in the order of the program. Seating for parents and guests is all on a first come, first served basis.

11.) Each concert will typically last up to 1 1/2 hours. We recommend that you budget a full 2 hours to be on the safe side. We ask that you be prepared to remain for the full concert. Students who leave early will miss out on our group photographs which get sent to the local newspapers and hung in our schools and published on our website.

We look forward to seeing you all on stage!

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IMPORTANT DATES:

November 21-24

Thanksgiving Holiday

December 8, 15, 16, 22

Christmas Performances

See laapa.com for more info

CONTACT US:



E-mail your news, comments, etc. to us: contact@laapa.com.

"Providing students of all ages with the education, inspiration, & motivation conducive to a lifetime appreciation for the performing arts since 1978."

REGISTER NOW FOR FALL PROGRAMS!

It's Easy to Get Started in Music Lessons and Dance Classes this Fall! Call us Today to Reserve your Time.

Covington - (985) 590-4545

Mandeville - (985) 674-2992

River Ridge - (504) 738-3050

Welcome to Our New Students who began lessons in October!

Adalai R.
Adrian L.
Ainslee B.
Alecsander C.
Alex L.
Ann K.

(Thanks Chris T.)

Aubrie C.
Aurora H.
Bailey H.
Bethany G.
Blake D.
Brice H.
Cadence T.
Calvin S.
Carmen V.
Carrietta Y.
Celia R.

Colton V.
Demariae P.
Dennis A.
Dominic R.
Ella S.
Elliana T.
Emerson S.

Eric J.
Evan L.

(Thanks to Andres G.)

Evelyn R.
Ezra S.
Felicity M.
Frank S.
Gabriel N.

Jack T.
Jack B.
Jae'lah J.
Jaelyn J.

Jax A.
Jayda S.
Joan I.

Kaitlyn T.

(Thanks Angela W.)

Kay On W.
Kennedy S.
Kevin Y.

(Thanks Matthew Y.)

Kingston M.
Kyle R.
Kynslee N.
Lily C.
Lyla S.

Macie C.
Maggie M.
Mariela M.
Maryclaire A.
Meghan S.
Mia T.

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Student News

River Ridge School of Music & Dance student, **Alanah Ehrlich**, recently tried out and was selected as a member of the 2018 Acapop!'s official talent roster! Way to go, Alanah! Alanah takes voice lessons and is pictured right with her instructor Ms. Kadi.

Mandeville School of Music & Dance student, Akshara Mahesh, recently auditioned for the Greater New Orleans Youth Orchestra. She will be joining together with about 100 other talented youth and performing all over the Greater New Orleans area. Akshara has been a part of LAAPA since 2015. She takes violin lessons with Ms. Carol. Great job, Akshara!



A HUGE congratulations to 6 of LAAPA's northshore students for being selected to sing in the Junior category at 30 by Ninety's Broadway Singing Competition. Mandeville School of Music students: **Patrick Cullen, Delaney Grau, Addison Fitzmorris, Allie Grace Greene, Gracyn Dunavant**, and Covington School of Music student **Mia Tillman**. Your hard work with Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Alexandra is paying off. Great job!

Pictured above is Mandeville School of Music & Dance's Thursday Ballet I class. Mrs. Mary's little dancers had a ball at Bring a Friend / Wear Your Costume week. Thank you to all of our students, friends, and parents for bringing such joy to our schools!

**Have News to Share? E-mail your news to studentnews@laapa.com!
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Happy November Birthdays!

(Students): Adalai R. (8), Addison F. (10), Adrian H. (15), Adrian E. (8), AJ D. (12), Alex S. (9), Alex G. (15), Alexandra M. (11), Alivia S. (16), Amelia K. (10), Amelia R. (4), Andrea S. (16), Andrew F. (11), Angelina F. (14), Anne H. (5), Antoinette P. (34), Arran C. (9), Asaely C. (14), Aster L. (9), Aurora H. (7), Benjamin D. (10), Blake M. (14), Bria B. (5), Callie B. (9), Carolyn H. (68), Carson T. (11), Claire S. (14), Cristian A. (12), Damia G. (3), Daniel M. (42), David M. (13), Denise B. (59), Destiny L. (11), Diane B. (67), Dianne R. (79), Dominic H. (7), Elise S. (7), Elle H. (9), Emma W. (8), Eylah S. (5), Faris E. (12), Frankie D. (13), Giancarlo M. (10), Grace W. (15), Jace K. (10), Jack V. (18), Jacob C. (7), Jacques B. (8), Jahnj W. (9), James E. (8), Jayden Rose M. (5), Jon D. (7), Kaitlyn B. (15), Kathleen G. (11), Kimberly A. (14), Kyle R. (22), Lailah D. (6), Lana L. (14), Luca B. (12), Luca S. (9), Lucas H. (8), Lucy C. (9), Lyla H. (4), Madelyn B. (9), Mallorie C. (7), Mani V. (9), Maria A. (7), Maro Luc H. (9), Mary D. (10), Matt H. (26), Matthew R. (14), Max C. (20), Max O. (7), Meredith H. (7), Michael S. (35), Miguel D. (16), Nathan C. (9), Nithya R. (16), Noah A. (11), Olivia S. (6), Owen T. (5), Paige F. (40), Paul B. (5), Penny W. (11), Phoebe S. (9), Rafaela N. (8), Rayne K. (9), Reece H. (11), Rex O. (6), Rhys Q. (8), Rick G. (43), Ryan T. (8), Sally A. (38), Sarah C. (13), Shaan P. (6), Shea S. (16), Sienna M. (11), Stephen M. (6), Tatum C. (15), Thanvi S. (10), Tristan H. (9), Valerie M. (17), Zacha S. (5), Zoey H. (7)

(Faculty): Chris H., Jane Ann F., Ryan T.

Student of the Month - Calliana Duke



Mandeville School of Music & Dance student, **Calliana Duke**, takes piano lessons here at LAAPA! We recently had a chance to speak with her and learn a little more about her lessons and interests!

How long have you been taking lessons at LAAPA?

"I've been taking lessons at LAAPA for about a year and a half. I am currently taking piano lessons with Dr. Vera."

What are some of your interest/hobbies outside of music?

"I enjoy dancing, robotics, writing, and baking."

What does music mean to you?

"I grew up with music. I am always singing. I express myself through music. It makes my day!"

What is your favorite part of the lesson each week?

"I like everything - singing, playing the piano. The whole thing!"

What has been your overall experience at LAAPA?

"Lessons at LAAPA have been really fun! I've learned a lot and everyone is really nice!"

(Parent) What made you choose LAAPA?

"We chose LAAPA because of the reputation and reviews."

Student Shout Outs!

"The dance program is wonderful! We take hip hop, musical theatre and the dance strength and conditioning classes. The instructors are engaging and knowledgeable. Mrs. Mary, the dance chair, is amazing and always finding new opportunities for learning and performing."

~ **Sayyad Family**

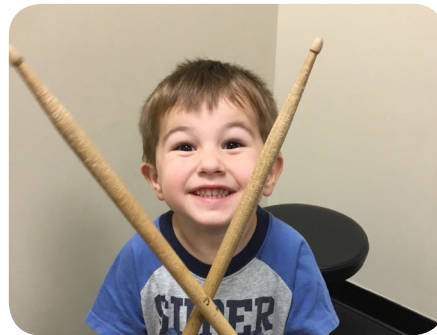
"Mr. Kameron is the PERFECT teacher for her! His personality is bubbly, vibrant and kind and he makes her lessons so fun for her! She WANTS to practice, she WANTS to come to her lessons and for a 5 year old to consistently want to do these things is a blessing!"

~ **Whitman Family**

Welcome to Our Newest Students (continued)

Mia T., Mia W. (Thanks to Julia C.), Michael B., Nevaeh A. (Thanks to Koi C.), Oliver F., Patrick M., Paxton T., Presley S., Rain H., Reese D., Sean W., Sofia D., Stephanie D. (Thanks to Grace T.), Travon S., Tyler H., Victoria W., Vivian A., Wyatt A., Zoe K.

There's Still Time to Get Started this Fall!



Now that things are calming down with school and various other schedules, it's the perfect time to give us a call about getting your music and dance lessons scheduled! While the majority of our instructors are at capacity during the most popular times, we have been keeping up with the demand and have hired several new instructors just this past month and they are outstanding educators!



We offer the most comprehensive selection of programs under one roof including **MUSIC LESSONS** in **piano, voice, violin, viola, cello, guitar, electric guitar, banjo, ukulele, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, tuba, french horn, preschool music, theory, composition, jazz band, rock band** and **DANCE CLASSES** in **ballet, hip-hop, tap, musical theatre, tumbling, parent & tot, and more!** Give us a call today at the school campus nearest you!

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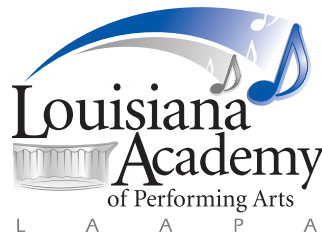
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(pictured above) Mandeville student, Lyla Hoffman, dressed up and brought her friend Max to her piano lesson with Dr. Vera!

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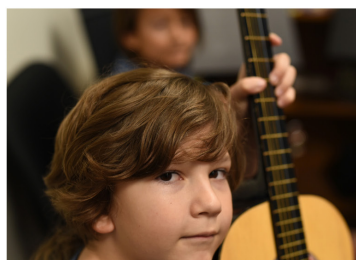
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