



Daly Music Academy

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Growing Minds, Having Fun!

Welcome to **Daly Music Academy**. You are about to enter on a fun, musical journey!

We are pleased to announce that we have expanded our studios to Stratford and Listowel in addition to our Kitchener home studio location.

Typically, lessons are held weekly.

We start with the basic mechanics and principles of playing the piano, or holding the violin and bow, and the actions/movements to play it with good tone and intonation (string players). You will be able to play some simple tunes within the first few lessons. Over the weeks you will learn the building blocks of music including scales, arpeggios, rhythmic and melodic studies, and pieces that will foster good playing technique. Music theory is integrated logically over time. You will also learn patience and gain a keen eye and ear for detail, all the while shaping your inner desire to play and create beautiful music! As your playing and knowledge grows, so too will your horizons and opportunities expand.

Practicing on a daily basis is highly recommended. The more quality practice you put in, the quicker your progress will be. We will strongly encourage you to keep up with the practicing as it is the foundation for which the enjoyment of playing the instrument and music is based. For the younger student, parental interaction is requested in keeping your son/daughter organized and in assisting the student with their practicing.

We can also prepare students for grade examinations through the Royal Conservatory of Music; music festival competitions (e.g. Kiwanis); auditions; masterclasses; recitals; and any other performance opportunities you wish to participate in.

Kids Programs: 6-12 yrs

Teen Programs: 13-17 yrs

Adult Programs: 18+ *You are never too old to learn!*

Classical Rock Orchestra Camp! Check out this rockin' summer camp (one week in July):

www.classicalrockorchestracamp.com. Also, we are starting a Classical Rock Orchestra that will be running from September to June. See above website for more information.

4 Packages to Choose From

1. Vivaldi: One 30-min. lesson per week. \$30. Includes:

- Home Practice Schedule Sheets, Worksheets: Exercises, Scales, Studies, Theory
- Recitals
- Fun!

2. Mozart: One 45-min. lesson per week. \$45. Includes:

- Home Practice Schedule Sheets, Worksheets: Exercises, Scales, Studies, Theory
- Recitals
- Music Festival / Competition preparation
- Audition preparation
- Fun!

3. Beethoven: One 60-min. lesson per week. \$60. Includes:

- Home Practice Schedule Sheets, Worksheets: Exercises, Scales, Studies, Theory
- Recitals
- Music Festival / Competition preparation
- Audition preparation
- Exam preparation
- Fun!

4. Paganini: Two 60-min. lessons per week. \$100. Includes:

- Home Practice Schedule Sheets, Worksheets: Exercises, Scales, Studies, Theory
- Recitals
- Music Festival / Competition preparation
- Audition preparation
- Exam preparation
- MasterClasses
- Class Recitals / Showcases
- Fun!

Lesson Fees for: Violin (acoustic & electric), Viola, Piano, Theory

- Fees to be paid monthly, at the beginning of the month, via cheque, e-transfer or cash.
- Please make cheques payable to: **"Daly Live Music & Entertainment"**

Cancellation:

- We require at least 24hrs notice for cancellation unless due to sudden illness or family emergencies only.
- We require the cancelled lesson to be rebooked within the week unless due to illness or other extenuating circumstances.
- Otherwise, cancelled lessons will be charged.

Requirements & Recommendations - Violin:

- Violin outfit. We do sell and rent them:
 - Sell: you can buy a decent starter outfit for \$250 (or more) + tax
 - Rent: our rental rates are \$30 + tax per month
- Shoulder pad. A shoulder pad is a must to help support the instrument. We could start out using a sponge, or purchase a fitted shoulder rest.
- Music stand (for home practice)
- Music:
 - We will provide some work sheets, scales, exercises
 - For beginners, you will need to purchase the following books:
Suzuki Violin School – Books 1 & 2
RCM Violin Technique, Etudes and Musicianship: Levels P – 2
RCM Violin Technique, Etudes and Musicianship: Levels 3 – 4
 - Music can be purchased at:
Long & McQuade (Waterloo, Stratford, etc.). Call them first to make sure they have it in stock! Music can be purchased at:
 - On-line:
<https://shop.rcmusic.com/products/violin-technique-etudes-musicianship-prep-2-2021>
www.amazon.ca
- 3-Ring binder. Simple one, not a fancy one with zippers, etc. It needs to be able to sit easily on the music stand, open and close with ease.
- 6 dividers for the 3-ring binder. Please label: Notes, Exercises, Studies, Scales, Pieces, Theory.
NOTE: see printing instructions at the end of this welcome letter.
- Pencils & eraser (for home)

- Metronome / tuner. This would be very helpful to have. You can get a free app for your smart phone.

Requirements & Recommendations - Piano:

- Piano or Keyboard?
We highly recommend a piano over a keyboard, except for very young and small children. There are also full and semi-weighted keyboards out there that simulate the feel (action) of a real piano. The bottom line is to have an instrument available for yourself, or your child, to practice on that fits within your budget.
- Music:
 - We will provide some worksheets, scales, exercises
 - Otherwise, you will need to purchase the necessary Repertoire and Exercise books as you or your son/daughter progresses
- 3-Ring binder. Simple one, not a fancy one with zippers, etc. It needs to be able to sit easily on the music stand, open and close with ease.
- Pencils & eraser (for home)
- Metronome: This would be very helpful to have! (Note: we do sell these items)

PLEASE talk to us before purchasing any instruments and/or accessories as we can help you make the best decision for you and provide the needed items at competitive pricing.

Note: We do rent stringed instruments and also do minor repairs. We also sell instruments, shoulder pads, music stands, metronomes/tuners, strings, accessories, etc.

We look forward to helping you grow in your musical endeavors!
Feel free to contact us at any time for more information and lesson bookings.

Sincerely,

Ross Daly & Angela Cox-Daly
Music Directors & Teachers

The 3-Ring Binder:

I have attached some documents to be printed out and put into the 3-ring binder please. They are to be inserted in the sections as follows:

- **Notes:**
 - This will be for lined paper, note handouts, etc. It would be great if you could also get a 5" x 8" lined paper note book
 - Posture & Bow Hold – Suzuki
- **Exercises:**
 - ABC's of Violin (this can be printed back-to-back)
 - Violin Finger Patterns
 - Violin Finger Pattern #1
 - One-String Finger Exercises
 - Schradieck #1 (this is a 2-page doc. Please punch the holes so you see the 2 pages left & right sides in the binder)
 - Sevcik – Violin Exercises on the A-string
- **Studies:**
- **Scales:** Violin Scales & Arpeggios (this is a 2-page doc. Please punch the holes so you see the 2 pages left & right sides in the binder)
- **Pieces:** Twinkle – Variations (this can be printed back-to-back)
- **Theory:** Theory For Violin