

PROSPECTUS

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Musical Background

In 1996 I gained a BA (hons) degree in Music at Anglia Polytechnic University, Cambridge. During this degree, a third of which was performance-related, I became involved in a variety of piano recitals and competitions, played violin in the university orchestra and sang soprano in the choir.

The following year I completed a Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) for Secondary School Music at Christchurch College, Canterbury. I then went on to teach classroom music from Year 7 through to 'A' Level at Broomfield School, Southgate, London and March Community College, near Peterborough. Extra-curricular activities involved running the school orchestra, a keyboard club, a junior and senior choir, performing and assisting in school productions and group composition work for Art's Festivals.

After teaching classroom music for two years I started private piano tuition from home working through the Oxford School of Music initially then freelance and I also taught piano part-time at Standlake Primary School. I have now been teaching the piano to both adults and children for sixteen years.

Many of my students take the Associated Board exams in both Classical and Jazz piano as well as Music Theory. I have also run several piano workshops at Abingdon Music Centre and entered students in both Oxford and Abingdon Music Festivals. Currently I teach piano at Long Furlong and St. Michael's Primary Schools and Harwell Recreational Society.

Lessons

My teaching is essentially reading-based but also incorporates improvisation and composition. A wide variety of musical styles are taught including classical, jazz and pop. ABRSM exams and festivals may be entered. There are also opportunities to perform at the RecSoc Live Lounge night's and summer festivals.

Terms and conditions

The first lesson is introductory and free. An agreement is then signed and fees are payable **eight weeks in advance**. BACS payment is preferred but cheques are also accepted. If the student wishes to stop having lessons **4 weeks notice of termination** is required. If a lesson needs to be **cancelled I require at least 48 hours notice**. Students will be asked to pay for any necessary equipment, sheet music, exam fees etc. as needed. Students should bring their music books, any theory books and a note book to each lesson.

Fees

£17.50 for a half hour lesson, **£35** for an hour lesson.

Group lessons are **£37** for 45 minutes (max 4 students)