

Why take private lessons?

If your child enjoys playing their instrument and wants to further their knowledge and abilities on their instrument, then private lessons may be something to consider.

During a private lesson, your child will receive one on one expert tutoring from a professional musician. They will learn skills faster, be able to get help when needed, and be introduced to solo playing—something that unfortunately cannot be done too often in the classroom setting.



Music Stores

The following businesses are reputable places with knowledgeable staff to help you purchase stringed instruments and supplies. Please call or email me if you need help in purchasing an instrument for your child.

Music Center of Hawaii

2347 S. Beretania Street, Suite #200
Honolulu, HI 96826
(808) 596-8742
Instruments, supplies, sheet music & books,
instrument repair

Cremona Violin Hawaii

765 Amana Street Suite #202
Honolulu, HI 96814
(808) 354-4491
Instruments, supplies

CK Violins

1888 Kalakaua Ave
Honolulu, HI 96815
(808) 589-1188
Instruments, supplies & instrument repair

Moanalua Middle School Orchestra

1289 Mahiole Street
Honolulu, HI 96819

Phone: (808) 305-1289
E-mail:
hwatanabe@moanaluamiddle.k12.hi.us
www.mmsorchestra.weebly.com

Private Lessons Brochure



Moanalua Middle School Orchestra
Ms. Hannah Watanabe, Director



Choosing a Private Teacher...

When selecting a private teacher for your child, you need to consider several things.

1. Taking lessons is a commitment that you and your child need to take seriously. Remember that for your child to get the most out of taking lessons, your child needs to attend lessons REGULARLY and practice regularly.
2. Think about what you are looking for in a private teacher. What are your child's goals on their instrument? What are your expectations for your child & the teacher? Are you looking for a teacher close to home?
3. The cost of lessons varies greatly. Most professional musicians charge between \$30-40 for a 30 min. lesson. The longer the lesson, the more you will have to pay. Some teachers require you to pay by the month or semester.
4. Ask to take a trial lesson or two. Before you commit to a teacher, make sure you feel he/she is the right match for your child.

Violin Private Teachers

Mr. Brent Ramos 797-9279
brent.amos@sfc.edu

Mr. Brent usually comes to teach at MMS, but until that is possible, he is doing ONLINE lessons

Ms. Sheryl Shohet 677-1168
shshohetvln@aol.com

Ms. Sheryl is offering both in-person and online lessons.

Mrs. Joan Doike (821) 219-0433

Ms. Asia Doike 391-6922

Mr. Chad Uyehara (702) 358-7936
chuyehara@gmail.com

Mrs. Helen Liu (617) 869-7644
helengliu@gmail.com

Ms. Nikki Ebisu 721-1322
nikki@violinartistry.com
Website: www.violinartistry.com

Mr. Craig Young 946-2474
cyoung@punahou.edu

Mrs. Mia Lai-Carlson 428-6305
celloyo@gmail.com

Bass Private Teachers

Mr. John Kolivas 383-3909
jkolivas@punahou.edu

Mr. Kolivas usually comes to teach at MMS, but until that is possible, he is doing lessons ONLINE.

Mr. John Gallagher 988-8787

Viola Private Teachers

Dr. David Hamano 256-1853
davidhamano@hotmail.com

Dr. Hamano usually comes to teach at MMS, but until that is possible, he is doing ONLINE lessons.

Ms. Sandra Wong 734-5800
wong_sandra@hotmail.com

Mr. Colin Belisle (617) 818-1524
colin.belisle@gmail.com

Mrs. Anna Womack awomack@hawaii.edu

Mrs. Mia Lai-Carlson 428-6305
celloyo@gmail.com

Cello Private Teachers

Mr. Jeff Hamano 230-4271

Ms. Louise Ching 521-4315

Ms. Nancy Masaki 593-9395

Mr. James Gochenouer 800-6853
jgochenouer@gmail.com

Mr. Aris Doike 387-7535
arisdoike@gmail.com

Mr. Doike usually comes to MMS to teach, but until that is possible, he is doing lessons ONLINE.

