

EARLY CHILDHOOD MUSIC CLASSES

Music exerts a profound impact in the lives of young children — they happily tune in, listening wide-eyed and moving to the beat.



Hoff-Barthelson's programs for young children are grounded in Dalcroze Eurhythmics—a method of teaching that pairs music and movement to catalyze the development of children's minds and bodies. Even the very youngest children develop focus, spatial awareness, gross motor skills, social skills, and the ability to work with others—all while having fun!

Research has long demonstrated the value of movement-based learning. Noted Swiss musician and educator Émile Jaques-Dalcroze (1865-1950) understood that the use of movement facilitates musical understanding and encourages musicality. His methods form the foundation of high-quality early childhood music education programs world-wide.

Home to both a thriving early childhood music program and a Teacher Training and Certification program endorsed by the Institut Jaques-Dalcroze, Hoff-Barthelson is one of the foremost centers of early childhood music education in the United States.

**Rates below are per 15 week semester. Enrollment is ongoing throughout the year.
Tuition is pro-rated based upon time of enrollment.**

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASSES

Hoff-Barthelson offers weekly classes based in Dalcroze Eurhythmics for preschoolers. Exercises and games in class involve singing, moving and improvising, and using small percussion instruments to promote keen inner hearing and rhythmic sensitivity. Attractive, colorful materials, including balls, hoops, and colorful scarves inspire a variety of activities and appeal to the imagination.

Our young students are guided and encouraged by their teachers to develop many skills involved in music-making. In parent-child classes, a joyful bond grows between the children and their adult caregivers as they sing together, listen, and move with the music.

PARENT/CHILD CLASSES:

Learning in the Lap (3 – 12 months; must be 3 months by September 1)

One 30 minute class per week - \$445

Monday: 11:00 am

In Learning in the Lap, designed for young ears just learning to

listen, certified music teachers awaken babies' senses through gentle singing and live instrumental performance. Babies and their parents/caregivers sing and move together, deepening their bonds and making friends with others. Classes conclude with a musical "Petting Zoo" during which babies explore a variety of colorful and engaging instruments.

The Guppies (12 – 24 months; must be 12 months by September 1)

One 30 minute class per week - \$445

Monday: 10:15 am

Thursday: 10:15 am

As children begin to explore the world around them, The Guppies opens up the world of music using songs and musical games to develop focus in a nurturing, fun-filled way. Children, supported by parents/caregivers, move to the music and develop their curiosity as they delve into new concepts of sound and song.

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Tunes for Twos

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Monday: 9:30 am

Thursday: 10:50 am and 12:30 pm

Perfect for two-year olds, who love to learn through movement, Tunes for Twos features songs and musical games that foster vocabulary development and a growing repertoire of small and large motor movements, socialization skills, and the ability to follow instructions. Twos also begin to explore a variety of instruments. Parents/caregivers learn songs and activities to enjoy with their children at home.

Seasons of Song (For Threes)

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Monday: 1:15 pm

In Seasons of Song, three-year olds explore musical concepts through songs, movement, musical games, playing instruments, and *Chalk Talk*. Children develop vocal and aural skills, and enjoy singing in a group. The class is thematically structured around nature and the changing seasons. Includes a song packet so families can continue the music-making at home.

Available for parents and children together as well as in "drop off" format for children who enjoy attending music class independently.

"Chalk Talk" introduces the children to music notation: the teacher makes sounds with the chalk while notating rhythm patterns on the board—the chalk "talks"—so that the children hear rhythms while they observe the notation.

CHILD ONLY CLASSES

Seasons of Song (For Threes)

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Thursday, 1:15 pm

See description above.

My Musical World (For Fours)

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Monday, 2:45 pm

Four-year olds learn music from countries and cultures around the world while developing music and language skills through singing, playing instruments, movement, and *Chalk Talk*. *Chalk Talk* familiarizes children with basic music notation; eventually, when students begin instrumental study, the written notes are old friends.

Listening and Learning in Action (For Fives and Kindergarten)

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Tuesday, 3:30 pm

Saturday, 9:30 am

Because kindergartners, who happily learn rhythm through movement, are also fascinated by visual symbols, this class prominently features *Chalk Talk*. Children clap and play rhythms on percussion instruments while the teacher notates them on the board. Aural skills are developed through singing accompanied by hand movements that show the motion and contours of the melody. Recommended for children who are taking instrumental lessons, or are preparing to do so.

Getting to Know You: Exploring the Instruments

(For Fours, Fives and Kindergarten)

One 40 minute class per week - \$475

Tuesday, 2:45 pm

Saturday, 8:45 am

Much in demand, Getting to Know You brings professional musicians into the classroom to introduce children to instruments in the wind, string, and percussion families through sight, sound and stories. Children also explore Dalcroze Eurhythmics to develop their musical skills. Highly recommended as preparation for private instruction.

Little Pipers Recorder Classes (For Kindergarten)

Beginners: One 30 minute class per week - \$638

Thursday, 4:30 pm

Intermediate: One 45 minute class per week - \$700

TBA

Children love to play recorder; it is perfect for the young hand, and ideal as an early wind instrument. Group lessons in recorder introduce young children to the joy of making music with others, while teaching basic musical concepts and note reading. Children learn at first by ear, then to read independently. Excellent preparation for further instrumental study.

Suzuki Pre-Twinklers (Violin for Older Threes and Fours)

One 40 minute class per week - \$550 (Parent/Child)

Monday, 2:00 pm

Thursday, 2:00 pm

This class, for three- and four-year olds and their grown-ups, serves as an introduction to instrumental study and features singing, movement activities, and *Chalk Talk*. Students begin the year with foam violins (Foamalins) and graduate to child-size violins, taking their first steps in violin position and playing. Rhythm and pitch patterns drawn from the first Suzuki songs are introduced as well.

Suzuki Pre-Flute (Flute/Fife for Kindergarten)

One 40 minute class per week - \$550

Monday, 3:45 pm

This class introduces young students to the flute (Yamaha fifes provided). Students learn the fundamentals of flute embouchure formation, breathing and tonguing (articulation) techniques, as well as note-reading and rhythm. Students will perform songs and tunes accompanied by piano.

For additional information contact
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2017-18 Early Childhood Music Classes Registration Form Today's Date: _____

Child's Full Name:		Date of Birth:	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
Address:	Primary Phone:		
	Secondary Phone:		
Parent #1 Name:	Parent #2 Name:		
Parent #1 Cell:	Parent #2 Cell:		
Parent #1 E-mail:	Parent #2 E-mail:		
Parent #1 Employer:	Parent #2 Employer:		
Position/Title:	Position/Title:		
Best E-mail and Phone for IMPORTANT School Communications:			
Child's School:		Grade:	
Schedule and Hours:			
Allergies:			
Emergency Contact:	Phone:		
Physician:	Phone:		
Student Ethnicity: (Optional – used for government grant applications)			

I would to enroll my child in: *(please refer to Early Childhood Music Class Schedule)*

1 st choice:	Day:	Time:
2 nd choice:	Day:	Time:
Tuition per semester:	Deposit Amount:	Check #:
I will wait to receive confirmation from the school before I bring my child to class. Please initial here:		

Tuition charges are per semester. Students receive 15 classes per semester and 30 classes per year. The school requires a \$100 deposit against tuition plus a \$30 non-refundable registration fee. Hoff-Barthelson accepts checks and cash only. Tuition is payable at the beginning of each semester. Past due payments are charged a monthly late fee of 1%. The school offers a payment plan option at an interest rate of 1% monthly.

Please check one: Full Semester Payment Payment Plan

Person responsible for payment: _____

Statements reflecting fall semester tuition will be mailed on September 1st and payment is due, in full, at that time. Spring semester tuition will be billed on January 2nd, payment due, in full, upon receipt. Please note that no student will be enrolled or scheduled for classes and lessons until the prior semester's tuition has been paid in full.

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Failure to meet financial obligations will result in class attendance suspension or termination, without removing financial liability for monies due. Payments which are 30 days overdue will be considered delinquent, and a 1% interest rate will be added for each month of additional billing. If you are unable to meet the financial obligations within a semester, please notify the Bursar's office immediately. There is a \$50 fee for returned checks.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

In the event of inclement weather or weather related concerns:

- Check the School's web site (www.hbms.org)
- Call the School (914-723-1169) and listen to outgoing message
- Visit Hoff-Barthelson's Facebook Page
- Watch the scroll on News 12
- Check www.lohud.com

Assuming the weather hasn't knocked out our electricity – you will get an email as well!

WITHDRAWAL AND REFUNDS

Withdrawal from Prep Classes and request for tuition refund must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director. Tuition is fully refunded if the School receives notification of student withdrawal before the first class. Notification after the first week (before second class) will result in charges for the first class and a 50% refund of the deposit. For withdrawal prior to the sixth class, the student receives a refund for the remaining classes of the semester minus a two-class surcharge. There are no refunds for withdrawal after six classes, and the student is responsible for the balance of the semester's tuition. In the case of moving or prolonged illness, refunds are pro-rated on an individual basis, minus the two-class surcharge.

MEDIA/PHOTO RELEASE:

From time to time, Hoff-Barthelson Music School may use your child's name, photo, voice, work, statements, and other information supplied by him/her in a variety of school publications and media, including but not limited to: all forms of social media; newsletters; brochures; catalogs; promotional/advertising materials; news items appearing in local media; and websites including streaming video and audio recordings, without compensation to you or your child. You have a right to withhold your permission for such use. By checking the box below, you state your objection to your child's name, photo, voice, work, statements and other information supplied by him/her being used by Hoff-Barthelson Music School.

I DO NOT authorize the Music School to use photographs of this student for use in school publicity.

I have read the conditions of enrollment and enclose a **\$30 non-refundable registration fee and a \$100 deposit (total \$130)**, subject to those conditions.

Signature:

Date:

The Friends of Hoff-Barthelson Volunteer Form

(For your convenience, this form is also available in an on-line version on our website, www.hbms.org)

The Friends of Hoff-Barthelson are parents and community members who, together, function as the School's Parent Association. Community spirit is an essential part of HBMS, both in its role as an educational organization and as a community arts institution. The Friends support the School's mission through community-building events and fundraising activities focused on ensuring a broad and enriching musical education for HBMS students as well as opportunities for education, communication and connection among students, parents, families, faculty, and members of the community and the public.

The Friends host events throughout the year to further the educational, community-building and fundraising goals of HBMS. The main events for 2017-18 are listed below. Of course, a community is only as strong as the people who comprise and support it. We welcome your help! Please sign up to volunteer for one (or more) of our activities. Your participation is what makes HBMS the warm and welcoming community that it is. Thank you!

Parent's Name _____

Student's Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please help us with the following events. *Camaraderie guaranteed!*

Faculty and Staff Dinner, Sunday, September 10: a festive dinner to welcome faculty and staff at the opening of the school year. (Parent volunteers for set-up and/or clean-up are welcome to sit with the faculty and staff and enjoy the dinner as well.)

Help coordinate volunteers, etc. Cook/provide food or drink Set up, serve and/or cleanup

Welcome Day, Saturday, September 16: the Friends welcome students and families with snacks and drinks in the School lobby and provide an opportunity to socialize. HB merchandise is available for purchase.

Help coordinate volunteers, etc. Staff a table

Holiday Music Festival, December 2-3: our flagship event! A weekend-long celebration and fundraiser to kick off the holiday season featuring student performances, international cuisine, a silent auction, raffle, holiday boutiques, and more.

- Help manage the event (lend your ideas, vision and organizational skills)
- Help coordinate volunteers (we need lots of volunteers and cool heads to organize them!)
- Help coordinate food room (food/dessert donations, and organize serving of food/dessert at event)
- Help coordinate raffle (solicit prize donations, sale of raffle tickets, etc.)
- Help coordinate Silent Auction (organize volunteers, solicit donations, etc.)
- Deck the halls! (hang holiday decorations): *Wednesday, November 22, at 9:30am*
- Contribute food, desserts and/or drinks
- Staff a table (for food, raffle, or ticket sales)
- Undecided? Check here and we'll help find a role for you!

Philharmonic Masterclass and Recital Event, Date TBD: an inspiring event for students and families alike; student chamber groups are coached by members of the NY Philharmonic in afternoon master classes. The Friends host a dinner for the students and NY Philharmonic musicians, and a dessert reception following an evening chamber concert by the NY Philharmonic. Not to be missed!

Help organize volunteers and food contributions, etc. Cook/provide food or drink Set-up, serve or/and clean-up

Get involved! Please let us know if you would like to get involved in the bigger-picture planning of Friends events—we welcome your ideas regarding other kinds of events and programs you would like to see at HBMS, and your input and expertise to help realize those goals.

Please feel free to contact the Friends via email to friends@hbms.org. You can also contact Terry Joshi, Friends Liaison, at 723-1169 or at joshi@hbms.org. Our website includes a full listing of Friends events and more information about the Friends. Thank you for your support!