

How can I find out more info?

I will be visiting your class in September and will pass around a sign-up sheet. **First, please write your name down on the sign-up sheet** if you are interested in learning more. **Second, attend the first few band, strings or choir classes to find out more.** There will be PA announcements to tell you when to come to the music room. **Third,** If you decide to give it a try, keep coming to class. I will get in touch with you and your parents about next steps such as how to get an instrument.

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Music Office:

We're located in near the side-door by the big ramp. Come by any time to talk!

Who's Involved?

Music is for everyone!

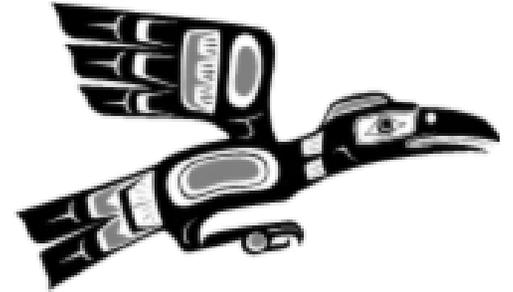
There are a lot of students from Rockheights in the Music Program, in grades 6-8 from all divisions. They come together from diverse backgrounds to make music! Everyone is welcome to try music classes. Beginner classes start in grade 6, and you don't need any experience to get involved. There are no fees for these classes, and **no student will be denied an opportunity to be a part of the music program because of costs.**

Risa McDonell, Music Teacher

I started teaching in 2002 in secondary schools in North Vancouver. I also played flute and conducted semi-professionally in the Lower Mainland, primarily with West Coast Symphony



Orchestra. I am really enjoying teaching at Rockheights. I am looking forward to getting to know you!



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Music Program

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What's The Music Program Like?

The best way to find out, is to try it!

Everyone at Rockheights gets to learn about music during their Music Exploratory classes. For students who want an extra special experience, you can also take classes in:

Beginning Band 6

Intermediate Band 7 & 8

Jazz Band 7 & 8

Choir 6, 7 and 8

Beginning Orchestral Strings 6, 7 & 8

Intermediate Orchestral Strings 7 & 8

When do classes take place?

Some music classes take place **at lunch or after school**. Other classes take place **during the school day** – this is called *pull-out*. You will leave your regular classroom to come to the music room for these classes. Students enjoy the break from their regular classroom to do something different with different people. A copy of this year's music program timetable is on our website at:

www.rockheightsmusic.com

“Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.” – Berthold Auerbach

Do I need to have an instrument?

Each student uses their own instrument. There are lots of ways to get one, including borrowing one from the school for little to no cost, or renting one from a music retailer. Information will be handed out in class about how to get an instrument. **No student will be denied an opportunity to be a part of the music program because of costs.**



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Why should I study music?

- ✓ Have cool experiences!
- ✓ Make friends and mentors!
- ✓ Explore your talent and identity!
- ✓ Challenge your mind and body!
- ✓ Create powerful and awesome music!

Concerts, Festivals and Travel

Typically there are three major performances each year where every student gets a chance to perform live. Our music program usually gets to travel to music festivals, to attend concerts and sometimes on overnight trips to places such as Camp Pringle. These extra-curricular trips are optional, but many students feel they are a highlight of being in the program.

