

# WEB RESOURCES FOR MUSIC TEACHERS

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Hello! These links have been gathered for a broad set of teaching circumstances, from young children through the college setting, serving a variety of backgrounds, abilities, age ranges and sizes of groups. Please pick and choose those that will be helpful to your specific needs.

Additionally, the sites are either free/open source, nearly free or commonly used in classrooms in our region. While there are many wonderful on-line commercial courses, the intent behind this list is to provide sites that are usable by all who have Internet access.

Please note that the Charlottesville Symphony Society and the University of Virginia have no affiliation with any of these websites. Please approach your browsing and interactions with the websites using the same caution you would for any other Internet searches and activities. We encourage you to screen content before sharing educational materials with students, and to provide context that suits your educational goals. We cannot warranty the safety of the sites or freedom from spyware and other malware, though several UVA music faculty members have visited each site and not had any issues of their own. Please remember that some sites will work more freely, depending on your operating system. We are not in a position to offer technical support. Additionally, as the Internet is constantly changing, we are aware that the sites may no longer be active. This list is provided in June 2020 as an aid during this unprecedented time of lockdowns, social distancing and virtual learning.

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Finally, while this list is fairly thorough, there are many more resources available. If you know of a great website not listed here, please email a link to [education@cvcillesymphony.org](mailto:education@cvcillesymphony.org) and we'll happily add it to share with others.

Thank you, be safe and happy music making!

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## **CHILD-FRIENDLY WEBSITES, SPECIALIZED INSTRUMENTAL STUDY FOR EDUCATORS**

*These sites offer a variety of educational resources including: Meet the Instrument, Children's Songs, Virtual Tours of Concert Halls, Analysis of Musical Works, Instrument-specific Masterclasses, Multicultural Music, Home Activities, Games and More.*

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# GENERAL RESOURCES

## OVERALL VIRTUAL LEARNING APPROACHES/AIDS

### **BOSTON COLLEGE CENTER FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE**

Suggestions for virtual instruction in the performing arts, generated by faculty member at Wilson College

<http://cteresources.bc.edu/documentation/emergency-remote-instruction/creative-performing-arts-courses/>

### **COLLEGE MUSIC SOCIETY**

Idea-sharing and webinars under "COVID 19" drop-down menu. Location to submit and search ideas about teaching large ensemble, chamber music, & private lessons, on-line performances and music classroom instruction.

<https://www.music.org/>

### **MIDNIGHT MUSIC**

Website designed to help teachers learn how to use technology; provides webinars (new and archived) as well as blogs and podcasts; many free, 'how-to' materials

<https://midnightmusic.com.au/>

### **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION**

Webinars and virtual learning resources for teachers; many links to webinars, including Power Points and quizzes for professional development recognition

<https://nafme.org/my-classroom/virtual-learning-resources-for-music-educators/>

### **SAVE THE MUSIC**

Resources to help music teachers: distance learning, online resources, virtual concerts and tours, and advocacy and fundraising; links to many other useful sites

<https://www.savethemusic.org/grants/teacher-resources/>

# CHARLOTTESVILLE AREA RESOURCES

## **CHARLOTTESVILLE MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION**

Connect with a private music teacher.

<http://www.cvillemta.com/>

## **FRONT PORCH**

Private and group instrumental lessons; remote recording; music theory

<https://frontporchville.org/>

## **MUSIC RESOURCE CENTER**

Lessons, recording studios, beat production, rehearsal studios, dance and summer workshops (online Summer 2020) in recording, mixing, remixing and DAWs for Grades 6-12

<https://musicresourcecenter.org/>

## **VIRGINIA HUMANITIES VIRGINIA FOLKLIFE PROGRAM**

TRAIN Program – Remote arts instruction helps teachers and students connect.

<https://virginiafolklife.org/train/>

# CONNECTING AND SHARING INFORMATION

## WORKFLOW MANAGEMENT

### **BAND**

Free App that assists with scheduling and sharing notes and files; open-source alternative to Blackboard, Collab, Canvas and others that require subscription

<http://band.us/home>

### **MUSIC TEACHER'S HELPER**

Website that assists with scheduling and sharing notes and files; free trial; basic version \$6/month

Higher service, higher monthly cost

<https://musicteachershelper.com/>

## VIDEOCONFERENCING

### **GOOGLE HANGOUTS**

<https://hangouts.google.com/>

### **MESSENGER ROOMS (requires use of Google Chrome)**

<https://www.messenger.com/rooms>

### **MICROSOFT TEAMS**

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/group-chat-software>

### **SKYPE**

<https://www.skype.com/en/>

### **SPOTIFY**

Spotify just added a group listening feature. Everyone needs to have Premium for it to work.

Explanation is here: <https://techcrunch.com/2020/05/11/spotify-officially-launches-a-shared-queue-feature-called-group-session/>

Website: <https://www.spotify.com/us/>

### **ZOOM**

In Zoom, in addition to all the great features we are already getting used to, one can pick 'screen share' and then 'advanced options', and there lies a great feature to 'share audio only'. This is perfect with respect to group listening and discussion.

<https://zoom.us/>

# PRINT AND RECORDED RESOURCES

## SHEET MUSIC/TRANSLATIONS

### **8NOTES.COM**

Free sheet music for instruments; limited downloads per day; unlimited for \$20 per year; Improvisation, accompaniment, pieces that you can listen to with midi solo instrument part, just piano, and get sheet music; Music grouped by genre, combinations of instruments, sound files of pieces, forums, play along, repertoire lists, metronome, music theory tutorials, tests, and links to other sites; Organized by level

<https://www.8notes.com/>

### **THE ARIA DATABASE**

Aria database of texts and translations

<http://www.aria-database.com/>

### **CHORAL WIKI**

Choral Public Domain Library

<https://www.cpd.org/wiki/>

### **IMSLP**

Public domain classical music; sheet music and recordings arranged by composer and instrument

[https://imslp.org/wiki/Main\\_Page](https://imslp.org/wiki/Main_Page)

### **THE LIEDERNET ARCHIVE**

Reference archive of texts and translations of art songs and choral works

<https://www.lieder.net/>

# VIRTUAL ACCOMPANIMENT

## **8NOTES.COM**

Free sheet music for instruments, limited downloads per day. Unlimited for \$20 per year. Improvisation, accompaniment, pieces that you can listen to with midi solo instrument part, just piano, and get sheet music. Music grouped by genre, combinations of instruments, sound files of pieces, forums, play along, repertoire lists, metronome, music theory tutorials, tests, and links to other sites. Organized by level

<https://www.8notes.com/>

## **APPCOMPANIST**

Voice only App for mobile devices, thousands of piano accompaniments (beautiful sound) for musical theater and classical vocal repertoire. Free to download App; free trial requires subscription with several options; no institution-level subscription (\$10-15/month, depending on libraries selected)

<https://www.appcompanionist.com/>

## **FINDBACH 4D PIANO ACCOMPANIMENTS**

Live piano uses a pedal or space bar to vary the tempo of the accompaniment (\$19.99/year). Additional tools: studio sharing, games and puzzles for ear training and more; great graphics

<https://www.findbach.com/>

## **KUNSTDERFUGE**

Midi sound files; lots of repertoire

<http://www.kunsterfuge.com/>

## **MUSIC MINUS ONE**

Hal Leonard publications for purchase; hard copy of music with CD accompaniments or links to accompaniments; largely instrumental. (\$20-25 per volume or work)

<https://www.halleonard.com/search/search.action?seriesfeature=MMONE&dt=item#products>

## **PIANO-ACCOMPANIMENTS.COM**

Live piano sound; great resource for purchase; Download accompaniments as mp3 files; prices listed in Euros, but can still purchase with US\$; not all instruments; about \$10 per work

<https://www.piano-accompaniments.com/>

## **PIANO ACCOMPANIMENTS TRACKS**

Live piano sound; similar to above, but prices listed in US\$; slightly more expensive, but still many good options with different repertoire, including some of the instruments missing from Piano

Accompaniments; various tempi available; about \$3-5 per movement

<https://pianoaccompanimentstracks.com/>

## **SMART MUSIC**

Access online practice tools, repertoire, and accompaniments. instrumental/band focus; provides feedback, sight reading practice; paid subscription (\$80/year for teacher, \$40/year per student); ability to notate music/exercises for students

<https://www.smartmusic.com/>

**VIRTUALLY VOCAL**

Accompaniment for voice only and vocal practice tools; \$15/month for teacher, \$10/month for student

<https://www.virtuallyvocal.com/>

**YOUTUBE**

Accompaniments for a variety of works; readily available, but non-customizable for many instruments

<https://www.youtube.com/>



# NOTATION

## **FINALE**

Music notation software; free trial; purchase options; educational discount: \$350 for professionals, \$99 for students; Windows and Mac

<https://www.finalemusic.com/>

## **FLAT.IO**

Basic version free; subscription and purchase options; educational version; additional pedagogical tools; collaborative perspective

<https://flat.io/>

## **MUESCORE**

Free music notation software download; open source; fairly full-featured; works on Windows, Mac, Linux

<https://musescore.org/en>

## **NOTEFLIGHT**

Music notation software with playback; free version; Noteflight learn version and subscription options; strong pedagogical and collaborative emphasis

<https://www.noteflight.com/>

## **SIBELIUS**

Music notation software; free download for Sibelius 1st (limited); paid subscription; educational discount: \$9.99 per month or \$149 perpetual license; Windows and Mac

<https://www.avid.com/sibelius>

# NUTS AND BOLTS – LESSONS AND ACTIVITIES

## **EAR TRAINING**

### **EAR BEATER**

Free tutorials and exercises; intervals, chords; builds on skills; shows score; keeps track; free online; no download, but also a separate App

<https://www.earbeater.com/online-ear-training/#/>

### **FINDBACH 4D**

Interactive games and puzzles that help students approach music in fun ways; ear training; build a virtual piano and more; excellent graphics; login required; virtual piano accompaniment; subscription

<https://www.findbach.com/>

### **GOOD-EAR.COM**

Free ear training website and links to other great sites for guitar, piano and jazz; must allow cookies for site to function properly

<http://www.good-ear.com/>

### **MUSICTHEORY.NET**

Open source; interactive; learn to read music; ear training; free online with additional practice through purchased Apple App called Tenuto (\$3.99)

<https://www.musictheory.net/>

### **MUSICAL U**

Written and video tutorials, ear training and solfege exercises and games

<https://www.musical-u.com/learn/what-are-some-good-online-games-for-learning-solfege/>

### **THE ROYAL CONSERVATORY**

Tutorials and exercises; comprehensive instructional help; requires subscription \$4.99/mo.

<https://www.rcmusic.com/learning/digital-learning/ear-training>

### **RHYTHM TRAINER**

Free program to learn and practice rhythm; two types of exercises: A Mode, where you click on the rhythm you hear, or B Mode, where you see a rhythm and choose the sound that matches; At the end of your session, you can email your results to anyone (for example, your teacher) who can then see how you are doing. Free basic modes; and can purchase exercises at higher level of difficulty

<https://www.therhythmtrainer.com/>

# THEORY AND COMPOSITION

## **8NOTES.COM**

Free sheet music for instruments; limited downloads per day; unlimited for \$20 per year; improvisation, accompaniment, pieces that you can listen to with midi solo instrument part, just piano, and get sheet music. Music is grouped by genre, combinations of instruments, sound files of pieces, forums, play along, repertoire lists, metronome, music theory tutorials, tests, and links to other sites. Organized by level.

<https://www.8notes.com/>

## **ABLETON - LEARNING MUSIC**

Learn to write music without following strict Western music compositional methods.

<https://learningmusic.ableton.com/>

## **THE ART OF COMPOSING**

Composition lessons (video and text) from basics to specific styles, such as Sonata Form and Counterpoint

<https://www.artofcomposing.com/>

## **BERKLEE SHARES**

Wide variety of online degrees, music courses and resources; some free, some cost

Overview: <https://online.berklee.edu/>

Free Resources: <https://online.berklee.edu/free-music-course-resources>

## **COURSERA.ORG**

University of Edinburgh open source music theory course; links to music courses from other universities.

<https://www.coursera.org/learn/edinburgh-music-theory>

## **DOLMETSCH MUSIC THEORY & HISTORY**

Open source teaching resources, lesson plans; 44 lesson outlines; topics open when clicking each number at top of site. Also, free, blank manuscript paper in various arrangements; articles about the science of sound, music history, composers, etc.; fingering charts for recorder and recorder lessons; links to many other great sites under "Resources," "Useful Links" and "Related Sites" about early music, recorder playing, Intensive Language and Music programs; free sheet music for many instruments and instrument combinations; instrument selection aids and instruction on individual instruments; West African music, music processing, and more!

<https://www.dolmetsch.com/theoryintro.htm>

## **HAPPY NOTE**

Learn to read treble and bass clef for free; videos explanations and videos of famous pieces with short films (humorous) such as Charlie Chaplin, cartoons and more; games require downloading; also includes many music performance videos

<https://happynote.com/music/>

### **MUSIC LEARNING COMMUNITY.COM**

This website contains hundreds of learning games of varying levels, all carefully planned to gain mastery of the elements of music theory, ear training and rhythmic skills in an exciting, challenging environment. Music learning community, free trial, studio, family and school subscriptions

[www.musiclearningcommunity.com](http://www.musiclearningcommunity.com)

### **THE MUSIC THEORY ACADEMY**

Free music theory, composition and piano lessons; videos and written lessons, as well as lesson plans

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/>

### **MUSICTHEORY.NET**

Open source; interactive; learn to read music; ear training; free online with additional practice through purchased Apple App called Tenuto (\$3.99)

<https://www.musictheory.net/>

### **MUSIC THEORY FOR SONGWRITERS**

Free music theory lessons to read

<https://www.mugglinworks.com/chordmaps/>

### **MUSIC THEORY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY CLASSROOM**

Free, four-semester, on-line college-level music theory textbook; open source

<http://musictheory.pugetsound.edu/mt21c/MusicTheory.html>

### **ONE MINUTE MUSIC LESSON.COM**

Open source; Learn to read music and basic concepts taught through short videos and written text

<https://oneminutemusiclesson.com/>

### **OPEN MUSIC THEORY**

Open source; online music theory courses/textbook for college students

<http://openmusictheory.com/>

### **SKILLSHARE**

Videos offering a variety of music courses and modules in theory, composition, songwriting, learning to play guitar, music technology and production

<https://www.skillshare.com/browse/music>

### **TEORIA.COM**

Open source; interactive website that offers basic lessons/tutorials to learn to read music, interactive exercises and ear training

<https://www.teoria.com/index.php>

**THETA MUSIC**

Courses guide ear training and help build a strong foundation in music theory. Lower levels free, upper levels cost by the month or year, individual, teacher/class, teacher/school; modules, games, activities, combination of fun and task-specific games; also offers a mobile App

<https://trainer.thetamusic.com/en/content/music-games>

**THE TONAL CENTRE**

Tutorials explaining tonality; examines alternative tonalities in addition to the traditional approaches; less comprehensive than other sites

<http://www.tonalcentre.org/index.html>

**TONE SAVVY**

(Formerly eMusicTheory.com) open source; music theory and ear training tutorials, practice exercises and quizzes; free for teachers if schools are closed

<https://tonesavvy.com/emusictheory/>

**YALE MUSIC THEORY COURSE**

23 YouTube video lectures, each about 45-50 minutes in length

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL9LXrs9vCXK56qyK4qcqwHrbf0em\\_81r](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL9LXrs9vCXK56qyK4qcqwHrbf0em_81r)

# MUSIC HISTORY

## **THE AMERICAN MUSICOLOGICAL SOCIETY PEDAGOGY STUDY GROUP (AMS PSG)**

Fosters dialogue and research on issues relating to teaching and learning music history.

Links to the following sites can be found on the AMS PSG site:

Style guide for writing about music

Resources for Teaching about Music of the Harlem Renaissance

Syllabi for teaching American music

Digital Resources in Musicology

Harvard's Online Resources

Alex Ross: The Rest is Noise & Listen to This

Mary Natvig on Teaching Music History

Musical Instrument Museum online

Dial M for Musicology

The Avid Listener

When in Musicology

Online Courses in 14th c. Notation

EdX Courses in Music

Khan Academy: Music

MIT Open CourseWare in Music

Yale Open Courses Listening to Music

Also pedagogical journals and print resources that include topics such as course design, primary sources and archives, resources by genre & musical period, teaching and learning centers in higher ed, and video and audio resources

<http://www.teachingmusichistory.com/resources/>

## **THE CLASSICAL MUSIC NAVIGATOR**

Glossary of classical terms and the biographies of more than 400 classical composers; helpful links within site lists countries and composers together

<http://people.wku.edu/charles.smith/music/index2.htm>

## **CLASSICAL.NET**

Index of classical music links, reviews, descriptions of pieces and composers, including those specific to certain countries; substantial database of composer timelines; dates, lists of composers' births and deaths

<http://www.classical.net/>

## **CLASSICAL WORKS**

Learn the history of various music periods. Musical history timeline, starting with ancient times; good layout for quick access to specific time period with short descriptions

<http://www.classicalworks.com/his.pages/timeline.html>

## **THE CURRENT**

Timeline: History-Making Black Music; good information; brief descriptions; article written by a white journalist who attempts to create a narrative for Black Excellence through popular music

Note: caution to teachers and parents about language and images in some of the music video links on this page

<https://www.thecurrent.org/feature/2019/02/13/a-timeline-of-historymaking-black-music>

## **DOLMETSCH MUSIC THEORY & HISTORY**

Open source; teaching resources, lesson plans; 44 lesson outlines; topics open when clicking each number at top of site; also, free blank manuscript paper in various arrangements; history lessons are numbers: 2, 25, 27, 30,35-44; articles about the science of sound, music history, composers, etc.; fingering charts for recorder plus recorder lessons; links to many other great sites under "Resources" "Useful Links" and "Related Sites" about early music, recorder playing, Intensive Language & Music programs, free sheet music for many instruments and instrument combinations, instrument selection aids and instruction on individual instruments, West African Music, music processing, and more!

<https://www.dolmetsch.com/theoryintro.htm>

## **LIBRARY OF CONGRESS**

Article about African American Song

<https://www.loc.gov/item/ihas.200197451>

## **THE MUSIC THEORY ACADEMY**

Links to standard eras of Western musical history; Each page contains brief written descriptions and aural examples.

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/periods-of-music/medieval-music/>

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/periods-of-music/renaissance-music/>

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/periods-of-music/baroque-music/>

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/periods-of-music/classical-music/>

<https://www.musictheoryacademy.com/periods-of-music/romantic-period-music/>

## **NAfME - African American History in the Music Classroom**

Links to videos and further information

<https://nafme.org/african-american-history-music-classroom/>

## **NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSIC**

The website states: *The NMAAM is set to open its doors Labor Day Weekend 2020 in Nashville, Tennessee. Once completed, NMAAM will be the only museum dedicated to preserving and celebrating the many music genres created, influenced, and inspired by African Americans. The museum's expertly curated collections will share the story of the American soundtrack by integrating history and interactive technology to bring the musical heroes of the past into the present.*

NOTE: This site seems as if it will open up more as the museum opens in Fall 2020.

<https://nmaam.org/>

## **NATIVE AMERICAN MUSIC RESOURCES**

Links to many sites across the Internet that focus on Native American Music

<https://www.musicoutfitters.com/nativeamerican.htm>

### **OAKLAND LIBRARY**

Overview of history of African American music; includes links to videos, lists of reference books and archives for further research

<https://oaklandlibrary.org/blogs/library-community/african-americans-music-history>

### **ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME**

Free materials that connect with the museum's educational programs online and in person; lesson plans and videos; unique way of searching for activities by topic

<https://www.rockhall.com/education>

### **SMITHSONIAN MUSIC**

The website states: *The Smithsonian's combined musical resources constitute the world's largest museum of music. Music is an integral part of the Smithsonian's connective tissue, spanning a remarkable number and diversity of collections, programs, and exhibitions. If you listen closely, the Smithsonian is not as quiet as you might think!*

Links to Folkways recordings, Object of the Day, resources for educators, videos covering a range of Western and non-Western topics, Music Collections Spotlights, and Musical Stories; historical, cultural and scientific connections throughout the site

<https://music.si.edu/>

### **SMITHSONIAN: Roots of African American Music**

Short synopsis and images of instruments plus other links

<https://music.si.edu/spotlight/african-american-music/roots-of-african-american-music>

### **SMITHSONIAN: African American Music Influence on American Music**

Article with information and images

<https://music.si.edu/story/musical-crossroads>

### **YOUTUBE: African American History - Key Moments through Music**

Short video with good information

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Q2t8utmanc>

### **YOUTUBE: KATY AMBROSE DOCTORAL DISSERTATION**

Topic: History of African and Creole American Horn Players in America from 1700 to 2000

Easy to follow, dissertation defense video traces the use of French horn in the lives of musicians of African and Creole descent, including the lives of enslaved persons, the advent of the Black band tradition during the War of 1812 and the Civil War, minstrelsy and its offshoots during the Postbellum period, and culminating with accounts of jazz horn players and racist audition practices of the early- to mid-20th century

<https://youtu.be/oEPVpIDCrq0>

### **ADDITIONAL NOTE: YOUTUBE**

In general, links to aural and video examples of the works one studies through the above sites

<https://www.youtube.com/>



# JAZZ

## **JAZZ GUITAR ONLINE**

Open source; Learn to play jazz guitar through tutorials and exercises that include theory modules. Resources include information about purchasing guitars, amps, and training books.

<https://www.jazzguitar.be/>

## **NATIONAL JAZZ WORKSHOP**

Free educational materials including play-alongs recordings and pdf descriptions of theory and technique on a variety of instruments; jazz focused

<https://nationaljazzworkshop.org/freestuff.php>

# **CHILD-FRIENDLY WEBSITES, SPECIALIZED INSTRUMENTAL STUDY, AND FOR EDUCATORS**

## **ORCHESTRA AND ARTS ORGANIZATION EDUCATION PAGES**

### **BOSTON SYMPHONY**

Lesson plans, demonstrations, introduction to instruments and virtual lessons with BSO members  
<https://www.bso.org/brands/bso/at-home/bso-homeschool.aspx>

### **BBC - *THE YOUNG PERSON'S GUIDE TO THE ORCHESTRA***

Introduction to the orchestral instruments; Learn the history of Britten's Young Person's Guide, study the score and study the physics behind orchestral instruments.

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/topics/The\\_Young\\_Person%27s\\_Guide\\_to\\_the\\_Orchestra](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/topics/The_Young_Person%27s_Guide_to_the_Orchestra)

### **CARNEGIE HALL EDUCATION WING**

Overview of Carnegie's educational programs

<https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education>

### **CARNEGIE PROGRAMMING FOR KIDS**

Carnegie's Programs for Kids, including resources for teachers, activities for families, the Music Educators Toolbox, the Perelman American Roots and the Great Music Teaching Framework

<https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/Educators>

### **CARNEGIE CLASSROOM RESOURCES**

Classroom resources, videos and professional development opportunities

<https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/Educators/Resources>

### **CARNEGIE'S WEILL MUSIC INSTITUTE**

Music education and social impact programs and resources

<https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/About-the-Weill-Music-Institute>

### **CARNEGIE RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES**

Parents can listen to and compose lullabies; singing and other activities for parents to do with babies' Musical Explorers Curriculum for children in grades K-2 using world music to teach basic musical concepts; Listen to Britten's *The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra*; coloring pages; animated tour of Carnegie Hall and more

[https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/Resources-for-Families?utm\\_source=wordfly&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=wmi-wmiinaction-05-15-2020&utm\\_content=version\\_A&sourceCode=34099](https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/Resources-for-Families?utm_source=wordfly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=wmi-wmiinaction-05-15-2020&utm_content=version_A&sourceCode=34099)

### **CINCINNATI SYMPHONY**

Tour the Cincinnati Symphony's Music Hall - including a scavenger hunt - from outside to audience, stage and backstage. Click on circles by specific seats to see a view of orchestra/auditorium from the instrument chair. Music featuring that instrument accompanies each location. Eighth note icon clicks tell which pieces you're hearing.; filmed with 360-degree camera, allowing user to look all around from each location.

<https://www.thinglink.com/video/1193562205191143426>

### **DALLAS SYMPHONY**

Interactive site (meet instruments, composers and basics of music) plus activities, lesson plans for teachers and Flat Beethoven

<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids>

### **FROM THE TOP**

Listen to performances by excellent young musicians; Apply to the competition if you're interested!

<http://www.fromthetop.com/>

### **KENNEDY CENTER ARTS EDGE**

Lesson plans and how-tos for teachers; articles, videos and tips for students; collections grouped by specific media with some overlap, such as classical music and ballet; and media units on a variety of topics with associated lesson plans

<http://artsedge.kennedy-center.org/educators.aspx>

### **LEAGUE OF AMERICAN ORCHESTRAS**

Web streams, rich archival recordings and educational resources from more than 100 orchestras, venues, and soloists who are members and friends of the League; The site grows daily!

[www.symphonyspot.org](http://www.symphonyspot.org)

### **LONDON SYMPHONY**

Watch the London Symphony perform with a variety of close-up camera angles; several standard orchestral works to choose from, and a variety of orchestral angles to choose from within each piece.

<https://play.lso.co.uk/>

### **NASHVILLE SYMPHONY**

Virtual resources for parents and teachers; videos about how to make instruments at home, meet different instruments of the orchestra, learn the basics of conducting; lessons plans targeting specific age groups; links to other music educational websites for children

<https://www.nashvillesymphony.org/education/resources/at-home-resources/>

### **NASHVILLE SYMPHONY YOUTUBE CHANNEL**

TONS of great videos for a range of ages, young to the young at heart, for the learner in us all!

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulaA\\_mZJ2whkO1lw45fHbQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulaA_mZJ2whkO1lw45fHbQ)

### **NEW HAVEN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Interactive instrument selection guide includes beat test, pitch sensitivity test, pitch determination test, instrument preference request and instrument sound “taste test”; all aids for both qualitative and quantitative instrument selection

<https://sites.google.com/view/instrument-selection/home?authuser=0>

NOTE: The New Haven Symphony Orchestra Instrument Selection website was constructed in Google Sites. Contact the Education Director of the NHSO as described on the site below to receive full access to the site, as well as to receive permission to recreate it as part of your own site. This option will allow you to upload your own videos for your students to see, and to customize it in other ways. Additionally, you can request a Google document from the NHSO Education Director that will tally the tests your students take as part of the instrument selection process.

<https://sites.google.com/view/instrument-selection/for-teachers?authuser=0>

### **NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC WEBSITE FOR CHILDREN**

Interactive site; meet orchestra; learn about behind the scenes; activities and games; make instruments; compose; study composers

<http://www.nyphilkids.org>

### **NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY**

Virtual learning link with password included on website; lesson plans, teacher guides, videos on topics such as an intro to orchestra, rhythm, dynamics, melody and other elements of music

<https://www.ncsymphony.org/education/>

### **ORKIDSTRA ONLINE**

Las Vegas Philharmonic - interactive site introducing children to instruments, including fingering charts, demo of instruments; play whole sections at once to hear joint sound, etc.

<https://xd.adobe.com/view/7665f653-846a-4bf3-6d08-7e500b3a3a79-0054/?fullscreen&hints=off>

### **PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA**

Archival recordings

<https://www.philorch.org/virtual>

### **PHILADELPHIA VIRTUAL MUSIC PHESTIVAL PHAMILY SERIES**

Friday's at Noon through Facebook for school-age children; introduction to instruments/families and masterclasses for high school students

<https://www.facebook.com/PhiladelphiaVirtualMusicPhestival/>

### **PLANO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Encore Youth Music website includes interactive games for children, resources for parents, educational materials for teachers, meet the instruments, melody, conducting, music history, form in music, the orchestra and instrument of the month; Earn a musical instrument Fun Patch.

<http://encoreyouthmusic.com/>

**SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY WEBSITE FOR KIDS**

Interactive site; meet the orchestra, conduct and compose

<http://www.sfskids.org/>

**SEATTLE SYMPHONY**

Weekly streaming sessions

Family Streaming

<https://seattlesymphony.org/watch-listen/beyondthestage/family-streaming>

Tiny Clips for Tiny Tots

<https://www.seattlesymphony.org/families-learning/schools/tiny-tots>

Morning Notes, Meet the Instruments, etc.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcrKaQFy2TImAad1hyxu\\_8w](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcrKaQFy2TImAad1hyxu_8w)

**ADDITIONAL NOTE: ORCHESTRAS**

Many professional orchestras worldwide are making archived recordings of performances available through their websites. If you have a favorite orchestra, please visit that organization's website to see what is available.

# OPERA

## WALL STREET JOURNAL - INTRODUCING KIDS TO OPERA

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-staying-inside-guide-arias-for-all-ages-11590523849>

### Links from WSJ Article:

METROPOLITAN OPERA - Free Student Streams from the MET:

<https://www.metopera.org/discover/education/free-student-streams/home/>

Glimmerglass youth chorus

<https://glimmerglass.org/series/youth-opera/>

The Scarlet Ibis

<https://www.facebook.com/hereartscenter/videos/2931419650283006>

Royal Opera House

<https://learning-platform.roh.org.uk/create-and-learn/>

LA Opera at Home

<https://www.laopera.org/community/opera-family-time/>

Lincoln Center at Home

<http://lincolncenter.org/lincoln-center-at-home>

Chicago Opera Theater

<https://www.chicagooperatheater.org/opera-at-home/home/>

Lyric Opera of Chicago

<https://www.lyricopera.org/kidscorner>

Kids Meet an Opera Singer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95RLviccrQc>

Toreador

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1dIWmrRstc>

Cookie Song

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gaF7kT5Moc0>

Habanera

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZFmNJjv1LM>

# INTERACTIVE WEBSITES FOR CHILDREN AND RESOURCES FOR MUSIC EDUCATORS, PARENTS AND FAMILIES

## **AAA STATE OF PLAY: The Wide World of Music**

Interactive guide to 100 Musical Instruments, Western and Non-Western.

<https://www.aaastateofplay.com/the-wide-world-of-music-a-guide-to-100-musical-instruments-interactive/>

## **ALOHA MELE**

Chinese, Japanese, Pilipino, Hawaiian, Malaysian and Korean songs, recordings, games and music materials; links to other sites

<https://www.alohamele.org/>

## **CHILDREN'S MUSIC NETWORK**

Connects artists, teachers and activists to create and share high quality, relevant children's music, recordings and lyrics in the Song Library. Pass It On link shares information through articles and sample curriculum; virtual instrument museum visit; how to teach music from a variety of Native American cultures; and MUCH more

<https://childrensmusic.org/>

## **CLASSICS FOR KIDS®**

Cincinnati-based classical music station for kids: weekly quizzes, composer information, games, listening, ideas for parents, ideas for teachers, activity sheets, composition games, etc.; composer, instrument note and rhythm games

<http://www.classicsforkids.com>

## **CORNERSTONE CONFESSIONS**

Ultimate List of Online Music Games created by parent who homeschools her children; grouped by instruments, composers, ear training, composition, symbols, vocabulary, and more; Flash is required for many of the games.

<https://cornerstoneconfessions.com/2012/08/the-ultimate-list-of-online-music.html>

## **COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME**

Resources for schools: lesson plans, curriculum, activity sheets, song writing, music lessons for individual instruments and school groups, virtual museum tours, videos, biographies, and more. Activities are geared for various age groups. Elementary, middle and high school

<https://countrymusichalloffame.org/education/>

## **CYBRARY MAN**

Links to educational websites; many diverse music educational websites

<https://cybraryman.com/music.html>

**DARIA MUSIC**

Family friendly means to introduce young kids to world music

<http://www.dariamusic.com/>

**DATADRAGON.COM**

Interactive music tutorials; Learn about and listen to different instruments, reading music, musical genres. Links to additional sites are the features of this site.

<https://datadragon.com/education/>

**DOLMETSCH MUSIC THEORY & HISTORY**

Open source; teaching resources and lesson plans; 44 lesson outlines; Topics open when clicking each number at top of site.; free, blank manuscript paper in various arrangements; articles about the science of sound, music history, composers, etc.; fingering charts for recorder and recorder lessons; links to many other great sites under "Resources," "Useful Links" and "Related Sites"; about early music, recorder playing, Intensive Language and Music programs; free sheet music for many instruments and instrument combinations; instrument selection aids and instruction on individual instruments, West African Music, music processing, and more!

<https://www.dolmetsch.com/theoryintro.htm>

**EUROPEAN MUSIC EDUCATORS WEBSITE**

Many links to other great sites!; grouped by assessments (free); professional band, orchestra and choral sites that offer sections for children; music theory, history and ear training

<http://www.emeamusic.org/music-education-websites.html>

**FINDBACH 4D**

Interactive games and puzzles that help students approach music in fun ways; ear training; build a virtual piano and more; excellent graphics; login required; virtual piano accompaniment - subscription

<https://www.findbach.com/>

**FRAU MUSIC USA**

Ideas for teaching music online; family focus rather than specific grade-level approach; subscription to lessons, materials and activities

<https://fraumusik.com/>

**FUNBRAIN.COM**

A simple game of reading music and clicking the correct note on the keyboard; many games related to other subjects.

<http://www.funbrain.com/notes/index.html>

**HAPPY NOTE**

Learn to read treble and bass clef for free; videos explanations, and videos of famous pieces with short films (humorous) such as Charlie Chaplin, cartoons, and more; Games require downloading; also includes many music performance videos

<https://happynote.com/music/>



### **THE HOMEWORK SPOT**

Links to many other sites offering classical music instruction; pages dedicated to links for middle and high school students

<http://www.homeworkspot.com/theme/classicalmusic.htm>

<http://www.homeworkspot.com/middle/finearts/music.htm>

<http://www.homeworkspot.com/high/finearts/music.htm>

### **INTERACTIVE SITES FOR MUSIC EDUCATION**

Games, composing, virtual instruments; Many links are currently inactive (June 2020), as they are run by Adobe Flash, but site states they are in the process of being updated)

<http://interactivesites.weebly.com/music.html>

### **K12 MUSIC RESOURCES**

Free site created and maintained by public school teacher Cynthia Mazurkiewicz Shirk of Mankato, Minnesota; This site is a collection of links, categorized by subject area: band, vocal/choral, orchestra, classroom music teachers, music research, general resources and much more.; super helpful list of music-related sites accessed from here under each subject above, from fingering charts to free lessons, recruitment tools, performances, and websites for major organizations that provide educational materials and experiences for youth

<https://sites.google.com/site/k12musicresources/>

### **KAHOOT!**

App to create flash cards, fun study tools, trivia games, etc.; Inject fun into an event. Create your own quizzes and access database of quizzes.; varied cost levels: free to monthly fees, based on level of service

<https://kahoot.com/home/mobile-app/>

### **KIDDLE**

African American Music Facts for Kids; Black music history timeline; brief overview and a few images

[https://kids.kiddle.co/African-American\\_music#1920s](https://kids.kiddle.co/African-American_music#1920s)

### **MAKING MUSIC FUN.NET**

Many free music resources for elementary music classroom teachers, private music instructors and homeschool parents for the purpose of building children up in positive ways and enriching their lives with an appreciation for music and learning; some free, some cost; child centered sheet music, music theory practice, meet the composer facts and videos, music skill practice, coloring sheets that teach reading music, etc.

<http://www.makingmusicfun.net/>

### **MAMA LISA'S WORLD**

Links to songs and rhymes from around the world, brief explanations, lyrics and video recordings; arranged by continent and country; related books available for purchase

<https://www.mamalisa.com/?t=eh>

### **MORTON SUBOTNIK'S CREATING MUSIC**

Elementary-age students can enjoy exploring, creating and manipulating music; composition, games and puzzles; requires Flash

<http://www.creatingmusic.com/>

### **MULTICULTURAL MUSIC EDU**

Introduction to music of many cultures, scholarly articles describing the reason behind the need for well-rounded approaches to music exposure, list of recordings and books, and links to other valuable sites  
<https://multiculturalmusiceducation.weebly.com/>

### **MUSIC K-8 FOR KIDS**

Games and coloring pages for kids; music streaming; Flash required for many of the pages on the site  
<https://www.musick8kids.com/welcome.php>

### **MUSIC LEARNING COMMUNITY.COM**

This website contains hundreds of learning games of varying levels, all carefully planned to gain mastery of the elements of music theory, ear training and rhythmic skills in an exciting, challenging environment. Music learning community; free trial; studio, family and school subscriptions  
[www.musiclearningcommunity.com](http://www.musiclearningcommunity.com)

### **MUSIC TECH TEACHER**

Lessons/modules, quizzes, worksheets designed and used by teacher who taught in Birmingham, AL schools for more than 25 years; Topics include theory, composer biographies, music technology, composition and more.  
<http://www.musictechteacher.com/>

### **MUSICAL INSTRUMENT MUSEUMS ONLINE**

Pictures and information about instruments, sortable by instrument maker, museum, and instrument family; great images, but not much printed information  
<https://mimo-international.com/MIMO/>

### **MUSICAL MADNESS**

Inexpensive resources for teachers/parents, including games and clip art; low fee to download  
<https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Browse/Search:music%20madness>

### **NIH/NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES**

Songs for children: lyrics and recordings; lyrics and accompaniment tracks; great if you already know the melody  
<https://kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/songs/index.htm>

### **THE PIANO EDUCATION PAGE**

This site is 'Just for Kids'— Talk to other kids about piano, listen to the Taz-man, jump to other cool places, time travel to meet a famous composer or pianist, get a great tip to help with lessons, get help with writing piano or music reports or even ask a question! Links to other parts of the PEP and to many other sites.  
<https://www.pianoeducation.org/pnokids.html>

### **PBS KIDS MUSIC**

Interactive composition game(s) - world orchestra game that is music related  
<https://pbskids.org/games/music/>

### **PUTUMAYO KIDS**

Links to resources (albums, activity books) and other websites focused on world music; CDs for purchase; user friendly

<https://www.putumayo.com/kids-music>

### **QUAVER MUSIC**

Interactive exercises, materials, lesson plans, etc. for all ages, grade school through college; pre-K - 8th music curriculum, activities, lessons; also supplements college-level teacher-training programs; free preview, various priced options

<https://www.quavermusic.com/info/>

### **QUIA MUSIC**

Musical games cover a variety of topics including vocabulary, reading music, instrument identification and more.; one and two-person games; flashcards, word search, matching, concentration, Jeopardy!-style, etc.; some free; 30-day free trial; paid for more access

<https://www.quia.com/shared/music/>

### **SMART MUSIC**

Access online practice tools, repertoire and accompaniments. provides feedback, sight reading practice, and ability to notate music/exercises for students; FREE 30-day trial, \$40 for year subscription; solos, ensembles, method books, metronome, tuner, recordings, videos, etc.

<http://www.smartmusic.com/>

### **SMITHSONIAN: Ella Jenkins**

Ella Jenkins video recordings of songs for children

<https://ellajenkins.com/photos-videos.html>

### **SONGS FOR TEACHING**

Links to recordings and lyrics for children's songs from around the world

<https://www.songsforteaching.com/diversitymulticulturalism.htm>

### **SPHINX KIDS**

Interactive site, games, videos, explanations. (Spinoff from Sphinx Classical Connections Program); Many links require Flash or Shockwave.

<http://www.sphinxkids.org/>

### **SONGS TO SING IN THE CAR WITH KIDS**

Lyrics to songs; Some may require a youTube search for the recording. Others on various topics include new lyrics set to familiar tunes.

<http://www.titlemax.com/songs-to-sing-in-the-car-for-kids/>

### **THETA MUSIC**

Courses guide ear training and help build a strong foundation in music theory. Lower levels are free, upper levels cost by the month or year, individual, teacher/class, teacher/school. Modules, activities, combination of fun and task-specific games; also offers a mobile App

<https://trainer.thetamusic.com/en/content/music-games>

**WART GAMES**

Modules, interactive games, links to many other child-friendly interactive music site

<https://www.wartgames.com/themes/music.html>

**WE ARE TEACHERS**

Links to arts activities and lessons, and to culturally diverse music activities offered by Carnegie Hall; Both activities and lessons are from many other subject areas.

<https://www.weareteachers.com/culturally-diverse-music/>

**YELLOW CAT**

Piano instruction and free music-related puzzle games; links to learning piano, how-to and materials

<https://yellowcat.lpages.co/yellow-cat-pub-temp-landing-page/>

**ZING INSTRUMENTS**

Music instruction for some specific instruments: guitar, ukelele, drums, banjo, violin, vocal, keyboards; make instruments at home and basic music theory; articles and videos

<https://zinginstruments.com/>

# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

## INSTRUMENT AND REED CLEANING

### **NFHS,NAfME, MANN RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INSTRUMENT CLEANING**

<https://nfhs.org/articles/covid-19-instrument-cleaning-guidelines/?fbclid=IwAR1eXgmnztaxBJ3drZ9Jqzha5Cdvt8EUcdl88G8vBTleAfH>

### **CDC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BUILDING CLEANING**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>

### **HODGE PRODUCTS BLOG FOR REED CLEANING**

[https://blog.hodgeproductsinc.com/covid-19-reed-sanitizing/?redirect\\_mongo\\_id=5ece9e79d028b163a77d1cc3&utm\\_source=Springbot&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=5ece9e79d028b163a77d1cc4](https://blog.hodgeproductsinc.com/covid-19-reed-sanitizing/?redirect_mongo_id=5ece9e79d028b163a77d1cc3&utm_source=Springbot&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=5ece9e79d028b163a77d1cc4)