



Our wonderful instrumental teachers will offer special summer lessons this year.

We know children are especially at a loose end with all the free time they've had since March. Multiple short lessons each week offer structure, skill development, supervised practice, and enhanced discipline. 3 x 15 minute lessons per week at the special rate of £40 or 2 x 20 minute lessons at £35. Ask your teacher or contact me for information.

🎵 STUDENTS ONLINE RECITALS IN JULY 🎵

After the very successful April recitals, our amazing hard-working students would like to share an online zoom performance with you this summer. The link will be available from your teacher.

Instrumental Students Recital Saturday July 11 at 13:00

Voice Students Recital Saturday July 11 at 14:30

QuaraTones CONTINUES



The Hap'ning Place **QuaraTones Choir** sings uplifting show and popular tunes in half hour rehearsals. We're working on a recorded performance like the ones you've seen with other virtual choirs.

Zoom rehearsals are Monday evenings 7:00-7:30 or Thursday afternoons 1:00-1:30

QuaraTones Mondays July 6, 13, 20 £21

QuaraTones Thursdays July 2, 9, 16, 23 £28

🎤 SINGERS DAILY WARM UP 🎤

For the last several months we have offered our singers a happy daily 15 minute weekday vocal warm-up from 1-1:15. This will continue Mondays - Fridays through July and the rate for the four weeks June 29-July 24 is £40. If you would like to join these online zoom warm ups, please let me know.

🎵 THE HAP'ning PLACE CONCERT SERIES ONLINE IN JULY 🎵

Performers from The Hap'ning Place will offer their live solo concerts online in July. I'll be sending out a link to the Facebook page @hapningplacemusic and YouTube channel.

Depending on the ever-changing situation and information we receive, they will then perform outside the Hornsey church tower in August and/or September where an audience can easily have social distance in the fresh air.

ONLINE LESSONS

The Hap'ning Place is continuing to teach lessons online throughout the summer.

Although school holidays begin July 25, **The Hap'ning Place will continue to offer lessons throughout the month of August.** The teachers will have various times off but you can arrange lessons throughout the summer with your teacher.

CHIOS SINGING HOLIDAY AND CHIOS MUSIC FESTIVAL CONCERTS CANCELED

With deep regret and for obvious reasons, the annual Hap'ning Place Singing Holiday and participation in the Chios, Greece Music Festival has been cancelled for August 2020. We are planning to return to the beautiful island of Chios August 1-8, 2021

UPDATE ON LIVE LESSONS IN THE HAP'ning PLACE STUDIOS

I've been researching it endlessly and current advice from our musicians unions is that it is unfortunately not safe to teach group or individual lessons until we know more about immunity and preventing the illness. I know some other private teachers are risking it, but it is definitely not advisable, nor is it safe for you.

The reason the virus aerosols are so dangerous is that it can be inhaled directly into the lungs and the 'host' won't realize they are ill. A person can be pre-symptomatic and extremely contagious. Simply through speech, clearing the throat, or a sneeze the virus can be propelled from the lungs into the room and infect other people. In an enclosed room, the likelihood of infection multiplies.

Watch the short YouTube interview with Professor Prather who studies aerosols. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PU8Hf_5-oLc&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR0Y6CfMUiwip29MxfPBzwJ_ejGB6PgYFksZ_2PGR95poY20iofJu9P-tog

Wind instruments (including voice) can project the virus more than 3 meters and the aerosols can then stay suspended and float for many hours- (days?) in a room.

Pianos would be very difficult to sanitize between each lesson and of course ensemble classes are not possible. Any non - wind instrumental lessons would need to be conducted in masks and at 2 meter distance.

We can't wait to have you back at the studio make joyful noises with your music and chatter, but we'd be devastated if any of you were to get ill.

The online lessons are going extremely well thanks to our wonderful team of teachers and their dedicated students!

I'll continue to monitor the information available and I'll be in touch with any changes.

We'll stay calm and carry on making music!

Enjoy ☀️ this unique summer! Stay well, and looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

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