

# HAMILTON PIANO STUDIO CALENDAR

## 2025 - 2026

## IMPORTANT DATES

### AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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### SEPTEMBER

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### Aug - Sept Events

Instruction Begins	8/11
Labor Day	9/1
Honors Piano Classes	9/2 - 9/4
Adult Honors Piano	9/4

### OCTOBER

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### NOVEMBER

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### Oct - Nov Events

Community Performance	10/3
Makeup Weeks	10/27 - 11/14
Performance Workshop	11/11
Recital	11/14
Thanksgiving Break	11/24 - 11/28

### DECEMBER

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### JANUARY

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### Dec - Jan Events

Community Performance	12/12
Christmas Break	12/22 - 1/9
Merry Christmas!	12/25
Instruction Resumes	1/12

### FEBRUARY

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### MARCH

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### Feb - Mar Events

Presidents Day	2/16
Honors Piano	2/17 - 2/19
Adult Jitters Nite	2/20
Makeup Weeks	3/2 - 3/13
Spring Break	3/30 - 4/3

### APRIL

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### MAY

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### Apr - May Events

Spring Break	3/30 - 4/3
HPS Music Festival	4/10 - 4/11
CMEA Music Festival	4/25
Memorial Day	5/25

### JUNE

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### JULY

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### June - July Events

Makeup Weeks	6/8 - 6/26
Performance Workshop	6/16
Recital	6/19
Adult Jitters Nite	6/26
Summer break begins	6/29

Fall Trimester 8/11 - 11/14

Winter Trimester 11/17 - 3/13

Spring Trimester 3/16 - 6/26

Instruction Days
  Special Events
  Make-up Weeks
  Non-Instruction Days
  Community Performance

# EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

## **C. M. E. A. MUSIC FESTIVAL**

*In-person for K-12 students.*

Typically held in early May, the California Music Educator's Association Solo & Ensemble Festival is a well-dressed event where students present music to an adjudicator for a formal evaluation. Students are expected to be well prepared, introduce self and piece, and present one piece to be evaluated by an adjudicator. Standards include: tone, technique, musicianship, interpretation, etc. Details are subject to change and are made by the C.M.E.A.

## **COMMUNITY PERFORMANCES**

*In-person & virtual options for students of all ages and levels.*

Join us in brightening our community with these local performances that are scheduled throughout the year. Our in-person community performances are held in cafes, art galleries, retirement communities, and the like. We also encourage our students to contribute a recording to our Virtual Community Performance which we share with assisted living homes who are not able to have in-person visitors. (Upload to <https://HamiltonPianoStudio.com/videos>). This is just one way we can give back and bring a little love to those who may be lonely. Pieces do NOT need to be memorized but should be mastered.

## **H. P. S. MUSIC FESTIVAL**

*Virtual and in-person options for students of all ages and levels.*

Held in the spring, the Hamilton Piano Music Festival is a well-dressed event where students present music to an adjudicator for a formal evaluation. Students are expected to be well prepared, introduce self and piece(s), and present one or two pieces to be evaluated by our staff based on universal music standards including: tone, technique, interpretation, musical effect, stage presence, etc. earning a rating of *Superior Plus, Superior, Excellent, Good/Average, Fair, or Needs improvement.*

## **HONORS PIANO CLASSES**

*For students ages 6+, all levels*

Honors Piano classes are fun & educational classes designed for students ages 6 - adult that are offered throughout the year. Rene & John choose stimulating topics that "tempt the tummy" of musicians of all levels.

## **JITTERS NITE**

*In-person event for adults*

This event is for our adult students who are invited to enjoy an evening of music, food, and fun. Students and teachers are welcome to share a piece (or excerpt) or to simply enjoy an evening out with other music lovers.

## **MAKE-UP WEEKS**

*In-person & virtual options for all students*

Sometimes "life" happens and a lesson (or two) has to be skipped. To help, we have reserved make-up lessons for you at the end of each trimester on the same day and time as your regular appointment. *You may attend these lessons even if you were able to attend all of your other instruction days. We'll assume you'd like to meet unless you let us know otherwise.*

## **PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP**

*For students of all ages and levels.*

This fun and practical workshop has been specifically designed to teach students performance technique, how to manage performance anxiety, and classical concert etiquette. Each workshop is thoughtfully structured as a low-anxiety teaching environment. (To be clear, this is a "no audience" event.) Students may opt to attend the workshop and not perform. Participation in a Performance Workshop is a prerequisite for performing in our recital.

## **RECITAL**

*For students of all ages and levels.*

These exciting events are the highlight of our year and are offered in the Fall and Spring trimesters! Our recitals are "well-dressed" events welcoming an audience of family and friends. Please Note: Participation in an entire Performance Workshop is a prerequisite for performing in the recital.