



Ashley Nelson Music

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### More about Ashley as a Private Teacher

Ashley uses her range of classical & contemporary vocal/studio experience, her traditionally trained & "play-by-ear" piano methods, and her choral, small-ensemble & solo teaching expertise to help vocally and musically prepare students in grade-school, college & beyond for auditions, performances, and other challenges or opportunities that may arise.

Musicianship and technique are at the core of every lesson, but the repertoire is catered towards the student's ability, needs, goals, and interests.

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Consider lessons for the following areas:

#### Voice Lessons

Recommended Age: 13 - Adult

- Learn healthy tone production and body alignment, musicality, sight-reading/ear-training.
- Repertoire to fit your interests and vocal needs may include folk, art songs, arias, musical theater, pop, and rock.
- Lessons can assist in preparing for auditions, lead roles, solos, repertoire for district/state festivals, college prep., etc.
- Styles: traditional/classical, choral, jazz, folk, pop, rock, musical theater, belting (belting not appropriate for all voice-types and ages)
- Basic piano skills can be included upon request.
- Specific repertoire books may either be purchased independently or cost may be added to weekly payment.

## Beginner Piano/Theory Lessons

Recommended Age: 5-adult

- Learning will include “by ear” and traditional notation (traditional notation not recommended for students under age 6).
- Learn ergonomically correct hand placement/posture, musicality, music theory
- Repertoire will fit your interests and skill level. Lessons can assist in preparing for high-school performing ensembles and theory classes, college piano proficiency placement, section leader responsibilities, etc.
- Specific method/repertoire books may either be purchased independently or cost may be added to weekly payment

## Pop-Piano/Lead-Sheet/Songwriting Lessons

Recommended Age: 12 - Adult

- Learn basics of lyric and melodic writing including “hooks.”
  - Learn how to read a lead-sheet, chord progressions, music theory, and musicianship skills.
  - Learn how to perform your songs confidently.
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## Lesson and Cancellation Policy

- Lessons will be held at Ashley Nelson’s home studio in Holliston, MA.
- Lessons must be paid at the 1<sup>st</sup> lesson of each month; checks made payable to Ashley Nelson Music.
- Students are encouraged to commit to 30- or 60-minute lessons each week, not a combination. A monthly reminder will be provided.
- If a student does not show for a scheduled lesson, without 24-hour notice, the lesson fee will not be waved.
- Make-Up Lessons: Make-up lessons will be offered, or the money may be refunded or applied to a future lesson in the event of: 1) a student cancellation with at least 24-hour notice (via e-mail or phone) or 2) an emergency cancellation from Ashley. Make-up lessons will be scheduled according to mutual availability.
- Students that expect to miss three (3) or more lessons within a 4-week span due to foreseen conflict are asked to hold their lesson time with a 50% fee for the missed lessons.
- Continuing lessons may be cancelled with a month’s notice from students.
- Any student may be denied lessons at any point, for any reason; pre-paid lessons will be refunded.