

Online Learning Plan: Suzuki Viola Performance Classes

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About VAM Online Learning Plans

In the unprecedented and unpredictable times of COVID-19, Vancouver Academy of Music's first priority is the health and safety of its community. VAM will continue to monitor the ever-evolving situation closely in all its stages and follow the advice of public health authorities.

During the course of the current public health crisis, VAM is anticipating the need to intermittently close its facilities, partially and/or fully, until the provincial authorities declare the final stage of BC's restart plan. Our series of Online Learning Plans aim to inform our students and families that VAM is prepared for a variety of scenarios moving forward. Tailored individually to each program, each Plan outlines the scope and content of remote instruction, to be employed at any time that it is not safe to offer in-person instruction.

Online Learning Plan for Suzuki Viola Performance Classes

The online adaptation for Suzuki Viola Performance classes continues to focus on Dr. Suzuki's emphasis on learning to play music together to create a sense of community. Remote online instruction will be available to those who have internet connection, a device such as a computer or tablet, a webcam and microphone.

Using Zoom as the delivery platform, classes maintain the importance of parental help, but the role parents play may decrease as their children mature. Classes will involve exploration and review of common repertoire, activities for learning musical form, music theory, music history, viola techniques, ear training skills, and strengthening of relationships between students and parents.

Despite the online format, students are given opportunities to engage in solo performances, take on leadership roles, and to learn effective communication skills.