

WHITEFISH MONTANA



ENHANCING LIVES AND OUR  
COMMUNITY THROUGH MUSIC  
SINCE 1997

MONTANA'S ONLY NON-PROFIT  
COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL

PROVIDING MUSIC LESSONS  
FOR ALL AGES

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NVMS was founded in 1997 by two dedicated, generous, community visionaries, Betsy Kohnstamm and Betty Lou Wambeke with a mission to improve lives and the community through music.

For over 20 years, Montana's only non-profit, community music school has touched and changed thousands of lives through music lessons, classes, camps, and concerts. NVMS collaborates with public and private schools and many community organizations to fulfill its mission.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

To enrich our community through music education, appreciation, and performance.

#### VISION STATEMENT

At NVMS, we seek...

- To provide quality musical instruction to students of all ages.
- To be a leader in music instruction and excellence.
- To seek innovative ways to make music education a part of everyday lives through performance.

#### THE POWER OF MUSIC

Music enriches our lives. Research has proven incredible benefits result from early exposure to music. As one example, students who study music in high school score higher on SAT tests.

The earlier talents are developed, the greater the opportunity for success and personal gratification.

Adults as well often experience increased mental acuity through the study of music.

And for us all there is the simple joy that music can bring to our lives.



## PRIVATE LESSONS & GROUP CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

### PRIVATE LESSONS

Are offered for the following instruments: Piano, Violin, Viola, Cello, Voice, Guitar, Electric Bass, Mandolin, Banjo, Fiddle, Ukulele, Harp, and Flute.

Private lessons are offered weekly for a half-hour or longer if desired. All students, children, teens, and adults have the opportunity to participate in recitals, concerts, and ensembles. Both Suzuki and traditional teaching methods are available on piano and violin. Discounts are available for multiple family members.

### MUSIC TOGETHER

Group classes introduce children from birth to age five to musical concepts and provide weekly follow-up activities for parents and caregivers.

### MUSIC LINGUA - SPANISH

These group classes introduce birth to eight year olds to foreign language using music, movement, storytelling, drama, and art to present thematic concepts and key vocabulary.

### MUSIC THEORY AND APPRECIATION

These classes teach reading, writing, truly hearing and appreciating the elements of music. The student is not required to play an instrument to take these classes.

### MUSIC TECHNOLOGY

This is a collaborative class with the Whitefish School District and Flathead Valley Community College for the music tech beginner. This class will teach composition through digital applications on ipads and mobile devices.

### FREE OPEN ACOUSTIC JAM

This informal group meets weekly and is open to the public. Learn to play in a group setting and have fun! Open to all levels and ages.

### NORTH VALLEY GLEE CLUB

Our children's choir is for ages 7 - 12, FREE of charge. The choir learns and performs a wide selection of repertoire.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Most scholarships are available based upon the income eligibility guidelines of the National School Free Lunch Program, however more scholarships are available. Please contact the school for more information.

### SUMMERS AT NVMS

Summer at NVMS brings the opportunity to participate in a variety of summer camps as well as continuing private study. Refer to **this website** for more details on camp offerings.

### CAMP FESTIVAL AMADEUS

In July/August, Camp Festival Amadeus gives 7th to 12th grade students the opportunity to learn chamber music from internationally acclaimed musicians.

### NVMS ONLINE

#### **Who's teaching at NVMS**

Please visit our web site for our current list of music professionals, their experience and their area of expertise teaching at NVMS.

#### **Sponsorship and support.**

View the complete list of Corporate Partners and Sponsors who provide valuable support to NVMS. Learn how you can help and support the Power of Music in the Flathead Valley.

#### **Monthly Tuition Rates and Fees**

See all current class tuition fees and scholarship information.

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TEACHING MUSIC

THE NORTH VALLEY  
MUSIC SCHOOL  
TAKES PRIDE IN ITS  
HIGHLY TRAINED AND  
EXPERIENCED  
TEACHERS.



OUR FACULTY IS  
COMPRISED OF MUSIC  
EDUCATORS AND  
PRACTICING  
PROFESSIONALS.

MUSIC IS THEIR PASSION.  
TEACHING IS THEIR JOY.

