

1401 Highedge Dr. Plano, TX 75075

# WEEK 4: CAFÉ VIRTUOSO January 29, 2021

#### UPCOMING DATES:

January 30, 5pm: Café Virtuoso Broadcast – See below for information February 1: Accompanist Rehearsal #1 – See below for information February 1: Solo & Ensemble Entry Fees Due – Payable on Rycor

Good evening,

We are so excited to present to you our Café Virtuoso Concert & Fundraiser tomorrow evening! Please invite your friends and family to stream our concert from wherever they are! We will be accepting donations, as well as bids for our silent auction. All proceeds will go toward equipment replacement, clinician instruction, and scholarships. All we ask is that you do not share the link publicly on social media platforms, in order to respect copyright license laws. Links will go live at 4:45pm on Saturday, January 29, in students' Google Classrooms.

### Accompanist Rehearsal #1

Please see the attached maps and information for Monday's accompanist rehearsal for students who are participating in the Solo Contest.



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## 2020 SOLO SEASON Family & Lesson Teacher Information

#### KEY DATES:

February 1: First Piano Rehearsal February 8: Second Piano Rehearsal February 20: UIL Region Solo & Ensemble Contest February 22: Non-Competitive Ensemble Recording

#### Solo Selection

Typically, students are restricted to learning a solo from the UIL Prescribed Music List in order to compete at the Region Solo & Ensemble Contest. With increased scheduling challenges and health concerns, this year, students will not be required to select from the PML. Students may choose a solo that is appropriate to their level of proficiency, if opting not to compete.

Students will select their solos (with guidance by lesson teachers and directors) and submit for approval by **Friday**, **December 11**<sup>th</sup> via <u>http://bit.ly/20SoloEntry</u>

Students will submit their piano parts electronically or physically to Directors no later than **Monday**, **December 14**<sup>th</sup> via <u>http://bit.ly/20Piano</u>.

#### <u>Cost</u>

Families will pay \$80 to cover two (2) rehearsals and one (1) performance. Students opting to add a second performance will be charged \$100 to cover the extra performance. If students are in need of scholarship, students will submit the Scholarship Application Form to Directors by Dec. 1. Accompanist Fees will be paid online via Rycor. Scholarship Application Forms can be found at: <a href="https://www.vinesband.info/parent-accounts.html">https://www.vinesband.info/parent-accounts.html</a>

Students opting to compete must pay an Entry Fee to the Region for \$12.50. Entry Fees may be paid online via Rycor.

All payment information will be distributed in early January.

#### **Rehearsal Protocol**

On February 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, our two accompanists will be staged in the Band Hall (B102) and Ensemble Room (B107). Since these are Mondays, students will be Asynchronous, and this will allow students to schedule 20-minute rehearsals throughout the entire day as needed.

- 1. Students will complete their COVID screenings and enter the building via the SE entrance at the carpool lane. Once in their respective rehearsal spaces, students will sanitize their hands with the sanitizer provided.
- 2. Students will rehearse across the room from their accompanists behind plexiglass shields, as well as with instrument masks (if applicable).
- 3. Once rehearsal is completed, students will disinfect their stand and chair with wipes and sanitize their hands.
- 4. Students will exit via prescribed paths to prevent cross-traffic.

#### **Performance Options**

Students opting to compete for a chance to advance to State Solo Contest will enter and perform at the contest on Saturday, February 20, at Plano East Senior High School. Times will be scheduled by the Contest Host.

Students opting not to compete will meet with their accompanists on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, to record their performance for the Virtual Recital.



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