



## **School of the Arts (SOTA) Private Music Lessons 2018-2019**

The SOTA program at BCA offers private, half hour music lessons during the school day for your child. Lesson times are chosen in consultation with parents and teachers. From beginning musicians to student's preparations for Royal Conservatory of Music examinations, the SOTA program encourages all students through qualified, caring and enthusiastic teachers, regular feedback, performance opportunities around the school, and a final grand recital in June!

This program provides excellence in music education, as well as the convenience of having lessons during the school day at a competitive, affordable rate. We schedule lessons around class trips or school closures.

Lessons are offered for the full year or half year. If you have questions about the program please email [sota@onlyatbccs.com](mailto:sota@onlyatbccs.com)

We look forward to journeying with your child in the wonderful world of music!

SOTA Staff,

Sarah Shelley  
Troy Harmer  
Hillary Jamieson  
Victoria Cox



## SOTA Registration Form 2018-2019

Please return the completed registration form along with payment to the office, clearly labeled "**SOTA Registration**". **Full payment is to be received by September 15, 2018** before lessons begin. Families can submit payments using PAD (pre-authorized debit) cash, credit or debit card.

Students signing up for the full year are placed first. Lessons will begin the third week of school following consultation with both teacher and parents to determine the best time slot for weekly lessons.

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Music Lessons or Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Daytime Phone Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument desired \_\_\_\_\_

### Please check one:

1. Full year \$750.00 (30 lessons) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Half year 375.00 (15 lessons) \_\_\_\_\_

### Instrument choices

Piano

Voice

Violin

Drums

Electric guitar  
Clarinet

Bass Guitar  
Theory

Flute

Saxophone

**Make Up Lessons** – If a SOTA teacher is absent or if there is a class field trip the lesson will be made up by the teacher. If a student is absent there will be no make-up lesson provided.

### About the SOTA Staff

**Troy Harmer – Teaches Drums and Guitar.** Troy has been a loved SOTA instructor for the past 10 years. He is an experienced and well know musician who is busy playing all over the Hamilton area in a great local blues band called *Bluze Cruze*. He teaches from the perspective that it is important not only to teach theory and rhythm, but to give his students the experience of playing with other musicians as well. He regularly accompanies his students for recitals, and ensures that their comfort level and confidence with the abilities grows through hands on practical experiences and songs they know from their own lives.



**Victoria Cox –Teaches Saxophone, Clarinet, Bari Sax and Piano.** A talented musician emerging from Hamilton Ontario Canada, Victoria has performed at many known venues and festivals across Canada and in USA. Currently teaching private lessons full time for saxophone, piano, flute and clarinet while gigging with her bands *My Son The Hurricane*, *The Basically Basie Big Band*, *Skirt Check*, and Toronto cover band *BackTrack* on the weekends. Having performed previously with many top acts including Sam Moore of Sam and Dave, Tom Bowes from Tower of Power, Greg Sullivan from Blood Sweat and Tears, Darcy Hepner and many others. After graduating Mohawk College's Music Performance Program, and also having studied at Acadia University for Bachelor of Music, Victoria set her goals to teach and perform to make her living. With over 7 years teaching experience at many prestigious music schools in the GTA, she has worked with children and adults of all ages each with varying levels of musical ability.



**Sarah Shelley- Teaches Voice, Flute, and Piano.** Sarah Shelley is currently completing her Doctor of Musical Arts degree the University of Toronto for Classical Voice Performance. Prior to doctoral studies, Sarah completed her MMus in the UK at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama and her BMus in Performance at the University of Toronto. In addition to teaching at BCA, Sarah runs a private music studio and directs the Resonance Choir for children with special needs through the Ron Joyce Children's Health Centre. Sarah is a kind and dynamic teacher who specializes in voice (classical, musical theatre, and pop). She also teaches piano, flute, and music theory. Sarah is a teacher listed with the Royal Conservatory of Music. Her students can complete exams in voice, piano, flute, and theory.



**Hillary Jamieson- Teaches Violin, Piano and Voice.** Hillary Jamieson: Teaches Violin, Piano and Voice. Hillary is a music teacher and educator with experience in teaching church music and a passion for encouraging and enabling her students to develop a love for music. She is an accomplished violinist, an incredible soloist, and an invited guest musician to many churches in the area. She is a certified teacher through the Royal Conservatory of Music and also a member of the Ontario Music Teachers Guild. In addition to teaching at BCA, she also teaches at various schools and runs her own studio as well as being a worship leader at Community Church in Waterdown.

