Mission of SCCMS

The mission of The Salem College Community Music School is to serve students of all ages, interests and diverse backgrounds by providing excellence in music education. We seek to assist students in realizing their goals and dreams of music-making.

We believe that every person has musical abilities that can be developed. Our programs are geared toward both hobby and professional musicians.

Lastly, we want to contribute to the larger cultural community by providing artistic, educational and recreational programs.

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Salem College Community Music School provides inspired and excellent teaching for music students in middle school. Students who pursue music at this age might be doing it for the sheer enjoyment of playing, or are exploring a future career in music. Either way, students need extraordinary instruction to achieve their potential. Private and group lessons are available in piano, organ, voice, guitar, strings, woodwinds, brass and harp.

Shirley Recital Hall, where most student recitals take place, is one of the finest intimate auditoriums in the city and is known for its beauty and superb acoustics. It has two magnificent Steinway Concert Grand pianos; a 3-manual Flentrop concert organ, and a 2-manual Dowd Harpsichord. There are 17 piano practice rooms and three organ practice rooms for students who come to their lessons a little early or have some time following their lessons. Students may use the practice rooms that are not reserved or being used by college music majors. SCCMS has a comfortable lounge and information center, which makes it a good place to relax or work.

Lesson Formats

Private Instruction
Individual Applied Lessons are the traditional format for many music lessons. The individual attention each student receives allows for an optimal learning environment each and every week. Students are able to progress at their own individual level, and all effort is made to accommodate unique learning styles and preferences.

Duo and Trio Lessons
Salem College Community Music School is proud to offer this extraordinary lesson format, which is particularly appealing for voice, band and orchestral students already enrolled in a school music program. In this format, students of a similar level are grouped together. Lessons consist of chamber music, skill acquisition and music theory. Lessons can be tailored to accommodate individual and ensemble goals. Talk with one of our instructors about this option.

Group Instruction
The Group Class format is a great way to begin one’s music-making journey! Classes are small (4-8 students) so that the instructor can provide both group and individual attention. Students enjoy working together to create ensembles and are motivated by the group interaction that occurs each week. Please call 721-2620 for the days/times of these classes.

Over 90% of our faculty have graduate degrees in music—none are college students.

Showcase recitals (requires audition)

Faculty with extensive teaching and performance experiences.

Monthly Recitals

Master Classes

Many students compete in local, state, and national competitions and festivals

Fill out and return this sheet and we will contact you for a FREE interview/assessment.

Parent Name
Child Name
Birthdate of child
Address
Phone Number
Instrument interested in
Music Background
Other information