

COVID-19 POLICIES

for In-Person/On-Site Lessons

Please note that these policies are subject to change.

Safety Procedures

All of our physical locations (2077a Danforth Avenue; 2489 Bloor Street West; 88 Laird Drive) are open for in-person lessons. We will be following safety precautions including social distancing and the use of face masks to ensure the safety of everyone in our buildings. These precautions include but are not limited to the following:

Screening to Enter our Buildings:

Everyone is expected to self-screen for COVID-19 prior to entering the building by asking the following questions:

1. Are you experiencing any of the following new or worsening symptoms:
 - a. Fever and/or chills (37.8°C/100°F or higher)
 - b. Cough or barking cough (croup)
 - c. Shortness of breath (out of breath, unable to breathe deeply)
 - d. Sore throat
 - e. Difficulty swallowing
 - f. Runny or stuffy/congested nose
 - g. Decrease or loss of taste or smell
 - h. Pink eye/conjunctivitis
 - i. Headache
 - j. Digestive issues (nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain, etc.)
 - k. Muscle aches/joint pain
 - l. Extreme tiredness
 - m. Falling down often (for older people)
2. Have you or someone you have been in close contact with had a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
3. Have you or someone you have been in close contact with travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days?

If you answer YES to any of the above questions, please follow provincial health guidelines and do NOT attend any in-person activities at The Lane School of Music

Anyone who attends an in-person lesson or enters our buildings while exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be sent home. If you have to miss a lesson due to quarantine, symptoms, or exposure, please notify your teacher directly. If you notify your teacher with MORE than 24-hours' notice, you have the option to switch to online lessons until you are able to return to in-person lessons.

Sanitizing Procedures:

- Doorknobs, piano keys, and other surfaces will be wiped down regularly
- Hand sanitizer will be readily available
- Our ventilation system has been upgraded and filters will be changed regularly
- When possible, windows and exterior doors will be open to increase air circulation
- Air purifiers have been placed throughout the building

In-Person Procedures (General):

- Everyone entering our buildings must wear a mask or face shield (children under 2 exempt)
 - If you have a health condition that prevents you from wearing a mask, please let us know by emailing staff at your location (see below for email addresses)
- Continue observing social distancing (minimum 6 feet apart)
- Select studios are equipped with plexiglass shields (primarily for wind, brass, and voice lessons)
- All studios are equipped with air purifiers
- Piano teachers will demonstrate on keyboards while students use acoustic pianos
- All studio surfaces will be sanitized between each lesson

Additional Procedures for In-Person Group Classes:

- Students must remain in their designated spot in the studio; spots will be marked on the floor
- Group class capacities have been reduced as follows:
 - Classes with NO parent attendance: max. 8 students
 - Classes with SOME parent attendance: max. 6 students (parents must request permission to attend from teacher)
 - Classes with REQUIRED parent attendance (e.g. toddler classes): max. 6 students
- Parents in attendance must remain with their child in their designated spot in studio

Waiting Areas:

- All individuals in our waiting areas must be masked at all times (children under 2 are exempt)
- Food is not permitted in the waiting area
- Family members of students who are not attending a lesson (i.e. siblings, etc.) are discouraged from accompanying students to lessons
- Parents of young children may accompany their child to their lesson to assist

Vaccination Policy:

- All of our regular in-person teachers have received the COVID-19 vaccine
- Individuals attending in-person lessons are not required to be vaccinated, but all individuals who are able to get vaccinated are strongly encouraged to do so
- Vaccine information: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-vaccine-safety>
- Vaccination appointments: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know!

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