

Gateway Musical Kids (GMK) Program (for age 3 – 7 years)

Why Music training is the ideal brain training for young Children

Numerous studies by Neuroscientists have found that playing a musical instrument is equivalent to a full-body workout of the brain https://www.ted.com/talks/anita collins how playing an instrument bene fits-your-brain/transcript?language=en While people at all ages can benefit from music playing, music training affects brain structures more strongly on young children. When training begins before age 7, neural systems are created that last a lifetime.

Studies showed that comparing between children who have musical training in their early childhood and undergo training for a sustained length of time and their non-musical peers, the former group have the following advantages:

- · Have enhanced verbal memory and better reading comprehensive skills
- Tend to have superior cognitive abilities in reasoning, forming working memory, planning and executive, and problem solving
- Tend to learn and perform better in mathematics
- Show better grasp of second language acquisition skills

Music Training under Gateway Musical Kids (GMK) Program

The Gateway Musical Kids (GMK) Program is a well-structured and quality music program specially designed by the <u>Gateway Music Academy</u> for children aged between 3 and 7 years which focuses in helping your child to:

- Develop strong musical skills through training organized in progressive learning modules: Beats & Rhythms; Pitch and eartraining; Basic Music Theory; Basic Instrument hands-on practice in the 4 main instrumental groups [piano, winds(recorder), strings(violin) and Percussion (drums)] and participation in individual and group performance
- Benefit from the fun-filled classroom musical activities which are also geared towards developing communication skills and social skills like cooperation, self-discipline as well as building up their self-esteem and self-confidence
- Find enjoyment in music and music playing, and be motivated towards a sustained interest in playing a musical instrument
- Be ready to move on confidently, after completion of the GMK program, to pursue the higher level of musical training to prepare for certification of music proficiency by bodies such as the ABRSM

Program Details

Children aged between 5 to 6 years old may enroll in the GMK program. They will attend 20 weekly lessons per semester for 3 semesters, that is a total of 60 lessons to complete the entire program. There will be a vacation break in between semesters. The whole program may be completed in about one and a half years. The duration of each lesson is 50 minutes.

Children aged between 3 to 4 years may enroll in the GMK (Junior) program. They will attend 20 weekly lessons per semester for 4 semesters. That is a total of 80 lessons to complete the entire GMK program which will take about 2 years with vacation breaks in between semesters. The duration for each lesson is 50 minutes.

Lessons will be conducted in the specially equipped GMK Studio with a cosy class size of 4-6 children. They will be taught by highly qualified teachers who have passion for teaching young children.

Any enquiries on course schedule, fees and enrolment may now be made via our contact

Telephone 81001816 or Email to admin@gatewaymusic.sg

Open House on Saturday, 28 Dec 2019

Gateway Music invites you to its

Open House

Date: Saturday, 28 Dec 2019

Time: 11 am to 4 pm (Open House Hours)
Venue: Gateway Music Education Hub

#01-19 Crown Centre

557 Bukit Timah Road, S269694

To register your participation and FREE hands-on session for Your child (15-min slot every half an hour):

Call **8100 1816** or

Email admin@gatewaymusic.sg

Admission is FREE and on a first-come-first-served basis



Music training is the best gift you can give to your child. Enrol your child in our quality GMK program and you will do your child a whole world of good.