



CHRISTIAN FINE ARTS CONSERVATORY

Spring Term: January 7 - May 22, 2025

Why take lessons in the arts?

The individual one-on-one teaching provides specialized instruction which cannot be duplicated in a class setting. Private fine arts students will have their unique challenges diagnosed and be guided in a specific program of study designed to help them develop a technique which will increase their potential and the ability to produce and perform accurately and expressively. All teachers share the goal of helping each student develop his/her fine arts gift to prepare for a lifetime of enjoyment, worshiping God through music and personal confidence through their God given gifts.

Role of the Parent for success in private lessons: Growing as a musician or artist takes discipline and patience for both the student and the parents. Partnership between parents, instructors, and students is key to successful learning of the arts. When you, the parent, commit yourself and your child to a consistent time of practice and applying the principles learned in their lessons, opportunities are maximized.

The cost of CFAC private music lessons is \$120.00 per month for a 25-minute lesson each week, held before/after school, depending on the teacher's and student's schedule. Our lesson schedule coordinates with the official school calendar. The number of lessons per month varies according to the monthly calendar and school holidays. Monthly tuition is not altered according to the number of lessons in the month. Lessons are paid for at the beginning of each month for the full month. Each instructor will provide the student with his/her own monthly statement and Private Studio Guidelines, in coordination with the vision and principles of The Christian School at Castle Hills and The Christian Fine Arts Conservatory.

The Conservatory Fee of \$30.00 per semester is required at time of registration for all students who are taking lessons or instruction of any kind through the conservatory. For the Spring Term 2025, the fee is due by January 15, 2025. This fee covers instruments, equipment, facility management, replacement, tuning, and repairs. It is in addition to monthly tuition for lesson instruction.

All students desiring placement in our Conservatory are required to submit the online registration. We are currently receiving registrations for the Spring 2025 term.

HOW DO I REGISTER?

Step 1: Complete the [Private Lesson Registration and Consent Form](#) online. We will contact you soon.

Step 2: Pay the \$30 Conservatory Registration Fee immediately after registering online. Click here to pay the fee: [Conservatory Fee Easy Payment](#)

For more information you may contact our Conservatory Coordinator, Mrs. Carolyn Webb at 972-835-9385, cwebb@castlehills.school.

Fine Arts Director, Mrs. Susan Covarrubia, scovarrubia@castlehills.school.

For CFAC information and forms, go to castlehills.school/conservatory.

PRIVATE FINE ARTS INSTRUCTORS

Jan Carter, Guitar, djcart@satx.rr.com

Mrs. Carter is a native of SA and has been teaching private guitar for 20+ years. She graduated from the University of North Texas, where she studied music and psychology. With a heart for missions, Jan has served as a staff wife, worship leader, and ministered for years to the people of the Navajo reservation, offering marriage conferences in Guatemala and Argentina. Her favorite thing about teaching is “seeing the light bulbs come on.” Cost \$120/month. Lessons available Mon/Wed.

Teresa Comparin, Piano, teresacomparin@gmail.com

Mrs. Comparin has extensive experience in worship, classroom music and private piano. With a Bachelor’s degree from Liberty University, she is co-founder of Meek Music Productions, and Deep Calls School of Worship. Teresa has a passion to raise up generations of worshipers for Jesus. Her joy and reward in teaching music is “seeing my students progress and enjoy the learning process.” Cost \$120/month. Lessons available Tuesdays.

Christine Daly, Piano, ChristineRaeDaly@gmail.com

Mrs. Daly has a Master of Arts music degree with emphasis in piano from the University of Wyoming. In addition to teaching students of all ages and levels, she has played for church services, musicals, choirs, and programs for hospital residents. Christine is grateful to God for providing opportunities to use the gift God has given her. Cost \$120/month. Lessons available Tues/Wed/Thurs after school.

Colleen Dunn, Piano, colleendunn@gmail.com

Miss Dunn enjoys instructing elementary students to learn piano. She likes teaching because “no two days are exactly the same.” Colleen comes from a musical family and has served as a missionary in the Philippines. She specializes in teaching young children. Individual private lessons in beginning piano are available after school. Cost \$120/month. Lessons available Mon/Thurs.

Elizabeth McAlester, Piano, Voice, Songwriting emcalester@castlehills.school

Miss McAlester is a CHS alumni and went on to earn her Music Education degree from Cedarville University. She is our Choral Director and is also a member of the San Antonio Master Singers. Elizabeth is an accomplished songwriter. Her favorite thing about teaching is building relationships with the students. She offers lessons for 3rd-12th grades. Cost: \$120/month. Lessons available various weekday afternoons.

Kevin Murillo, Drums, Bass Guitar, Piano murillokev21@gmail.com

Mr. Murillo began playing drums at age 10. At 14 he became pianist/musical director of Worship at his father’s church. He has played with Christ For the Nations and the Hispanic band Generación Gracia. Kevin currently serves as Worship Pastor at Revive Ministries SA and is working on his Music Production degree. He loves to show students that they are capable of more than they can imagine. Cost: \$120/month. Lessons available Mon-Thurs.

Steph Rudi, Piano, srudi@castlehills.school

Ms. Rudi loves teaching and wants students to experience the joy of music! She is our CHS Music teacher for grades K-4. She has her Bachelor’s in vocal performance at Illinois Wesleyan University and Master’s in music education from Liberty University. Steph enjoys church choir, the SA Master Singers, and playing percussion professionally. During the summer, she works as a missionary in Middleburg, South Africa. Cost: \$120/month. Lessons available Tuesdays.

Carolyn Webb, Advanced Piano & Voice, cwebb@castlehills.school

Mrs. Webb serves as the CHS school accompanist and our CFAC Coordinator. She has years of experience as worship pianist for churches and accompanist for schools. She holds a Music Education degree from Howard Payne University and toured the U.S. and Canada as keyboardist for their Heritage Singers performing group. Carolyn has a passion to train worship keyboardists. Cost: \$120/month. Lessons available Tues/Wed/Thu.