

What is Kids' Jam?

Learning music is fun in a community of music-making families. Kids' Jam, designed for children ages 5-7 and their parents/caregivers, provides a natural extension to the Music Together curriculum. Our drum circle of African djembes focuses the children for singing, solfege, hand signs, and verbal and written rhythm patterns. These help the child achieve or solidify basic music competency, completing their readiness for formal instrument instruction later on. Fun - and often quite boisterous - singing games, a core part of key music educators' curriculum for this age group, keep these active kids moving for a good part of the class while broadening their musical experience and reinforcing basic skills. The curriculum is based on the teachings of music educators Kodaly, Gordon, and Dalcroze.

Kids' Jam Repertoire

The new Kids' Jam repertoire is drawn from traditional songs and songs composed by Lui specifically for the program. The collections feature songs about the natural world and celebrate seasonal changes. The recordings of the songs, made under the capable hand of brilliant multi-instrumentalist / producer Anand Nayak (of Rani Arbo and daisy mayhem fame), are getting rave reviews from current Kids' Jam families.

A Family Activity

Parent involvement is an important element in a child's music learning process. Older or younger siblings may be incorporated into the class, on an individual basis. Kids' Jam is ideal for Home Schooling families. If you have younger children as well, ask about our Tuesday and Wednesday morning Home Schoolers' Family Jam classes.

FALL 2009 Classes

RISE UP CENTER, SHELburne FALLS
Family Jam Tuesdays 12 noon
BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY, ASHFIELD
Wednesdays 4:00 pm/Family Jam 11:00 am
MEEKINS LIBRARY, WILLIAMSburg
Thursdays 4:00 pm

Tuition for Fall session is \$160, siblings \$100. Full payment with registration unless other arrangements are made. Ask about payment plan or scholarship aid if needed. Tuition is refundable before registration deadline, minus \$10 cancellation fee. After Sept 24, credit will be applied to a future session. Registration will be confirmed by phone or email.

Tuition includes:

- * 10 classes, 50 minutes each
- * Professionally recorded CDs (2)
- * Songbook with lyrics, melody, chords, singing game instructions, chord and Curwen hand sign charts.

KIDS' JAM Ashfield/Williamsburg /Shelburne Falls REGISTRATION FORM

Registration deadline Sept 24. Register early to ensure placement in class. After September 24 add \$10 late fee.

Parent name _____

Address _____

Town/State _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Child's name _____

Date of birth _____

2nd Child's name _____

Date of birth _____

1st choice time _____

2nd choice time _____

1st child registration \$ 160

Sibling(s) @ \$100 _____

Registration Fee @ \$10
(1st time only) _____

Donation to scholarship fund
(optional) _____

Late fee \$10 (after 9/24 only) _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Mail w/ check to Lui Collins, PO Box 4005, Ashfield, MA 01330, or register online at www.luicollins.com. Questions? Call 628-0197 or email lui@luicollins.com

About Kids' Jam Creator and Teacher Lui Collins

Kids' Jam creator Lui Collins began making music as a child, and went on to study piano, violin, French horn, guitar and banjo. She studied Music Theory and Composition at the University of Connecticut. She has been performing and recording professionally for over 35 years, and has 8 solo CDs to her credit. Ms. Collins trained with Music Together of Princeton in 2002 and founded Hilltown Music Together the following spring. In 2005 she was awarded Music Together Certification I status for outstanding achievement in teaching, musicianship, program philosophy, and parent education.

Creating Kids' Jam has given Lui a way to bring together her skills from a lifetime of musical study and performance. From music theory and composition to vocal and multi-instrumental skills, from her deep knowledge of traditional American music to her teaching experience, she incorporates it all to create something unique which she brings to her community of music-making families.

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Music and Movement
for ages 5-7 and their
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Homeschoolers' classes w/ younger
siblings now available

10-week FALL session
Oct 8 - Dec 17

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