

#### **March 2020**

#### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music."

-Albert Einstein-

#### A NOTE FROM DEAN AND LEANNE

#### Hello Valued Students & Families,

We are looking forward to our upcoming performance and festival season, and can't wait to watch our students flourish as they prepare to perform. As a studio, we work hard to ensure that someone from our team is at every single festival performance to support our Crescendo students, even when your teacher may not be available to be there! We are so excited to see your amazing performances, and we wish you all the best in your final weeks of preparation!

As a music school that encourages performances and sees a definite value in performing, we try to offer a variety of opportunities throughout the year. As an alternative to the festival, we are looking forward to our upcoming 6th annual Crescendo Video Showcase. Showcase provides an opportunity for students to sign up and perform a prepared piece in the comfort of our studio. We will video this performance, and the video will be sent on to our highly decorated adjudicators to receive comprehensive and valuable feedback. Our top video showcase performances will be awarded and recognized at our year-end recitals. We invite you to perform one or more songs at our April Video Showcase. Any style of music is welcome and we provide lots of flexibility regarding the types of performance and music that is presented!

As you may know, we have now been operating out of two locations for a month now. We thank you for your ongoing patience as we learn and grow through our Sherwood Park Music Sioux Road location. We have been thrilled to be able to meet many amazing teachers, staff, and customer families. As always, we welcome any feedback or questions you may have! Please do not hesitate to email us at office@crescendomusicstudios.ca.

Warm Regards,

Dean & Leanne Cummings Phone: 780-570-5699 www.crescendomusicstudios.ca

#### WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESCENDO?

March 6th B Natural Open Stage at SoundLab Studios. Head to SoundLab Studios for a night of live music and open mic. 7:30-10:30PM.

March 20th Crescendo Mic Night! We will be having a mic night at SoundLab Studios on Friday, March 20th. Please join us from 5-9PM for some wonderful live entertainment from our students, staff, and WeJam band! Snacks and beverages available for purchase. Students, if you want to perform, please talk to your teacher to sign up.



March 30th - April 5th Crescendo will have no regular lessons during Spring Break. We are OPEN for lessons Saturday, March 29th. There will be two camps running during the week of Spring Break as seen below. Have a wonderful Spring Break! Regular lessons resume April 6th.



#### TIPS AND INSIGHTS FOR OUR STUDENTS

#### How to Help Your Child Prepare for a Performance

"I enjoy reading about the lives of musicans, and find many similarities in their ideas of preparation and their utter devotion to this great eternal language: music." – Jessye Norman, Opera Singer "Tis the season of performing! Students around our studio are preparing pieces for upcoming events like exams, festivals, showcases, coffee house nights, and our spring recital! Previously, we have written on the subject of "the benefit of performing". Performing allows students to set goals, conquer



challenges, and grow exponentially as musicians. While all of this remains true, there is a huge part of the performance aspect that we haven't delved into: PREPARATION.

Preparing for an upcoming performance can...

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