



**REGENT
PARK
SCHOOL
OF
MUSIC**

**Helping Kids Succeed
Through Music**



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Regent Park School of Music (RPSM) offers comprehensive, affordable music lessons that allow students to develop their musical skills by participating in private, group, and ensemble lessons, as well as studying music theory. Students are loaned instruments, books, and study resources, and are given the opportunity to participate in Royal Conservatory of Music exams free of charge (costs covered by RPSM).

We believe in student-led musical exploration to engage and inspire our students, which is why we offer such a diverse range of classes.



LESSONS

Weekly Programs

RPSM offers **GROUP, ENSEMBLE** and **PRIVATE LESSONS** in a variety of instruments. Our programs vary by location.

Students begin their musical journey in group lessons and may be considered for private lessons after a minimum of 3 years. Movement from group lessons into private happens at the discretion of the school and the teacher, in consultation with the student.

RPSM has three school terms:

TERM 1

September to January

TERM 2

February to June

SUMMER

July to August

Registration periods occur prior to the start of these terms in each program, where space allows. We take attendance seriously and require that students commit to their weekly lesson. To remain in the program, students must not miss more than 3 classes in a term.

RPSM's programs are subsidized and geared to family income. Fee information can be found on the last page of this book. Payment is due before the first class.

Summer Programs

RPSM offers a variety of special Summer music programs. More details can be found at www.rpmusic.org shortly before registration opens on March 21, 2017.

REGENT PARK PROGRAMS

Regent Park programs are offered in our main location at **585 DUNDAS ST. E., SUITE 220**, on the second floor of the Daniels Spectrum building. Programs are open to children and youth living anywhere in Toronto.

Group Classes

Students begin at RPSM in group classes and may be considered for private lessons after a minimum of three years.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Early Childhood Music			
Jr. and Sr. Kindergarten	Students explore music through play, dance and singing. This is an introductory course for young musicians.	SATURDAYS: Class 1: 1:30–2:30 pm (Junior Kindergarten) Class 2: 2:30–3:30 pm (Senior Kindergarten)	September to June
Group Piano			
Grades 1–12	Students learn piano technique and basic music theory at their own pace, in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class).	SATURDAYS: 9:30 am–5:00 pm (60-minute lessons) SUNDAYS: 9:00 am–5:00 pm (60-minute lessons) TUESDAYS: 4:15 pm–6:15 pm (60-minute lessons)	September to June
Group Violin			
Grades 1–3	Students learn violin technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a small group setting for one hour a week (up to 5 students in each class). They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Wednesday at 5:00 pm.	FRIDAYS: 5:00–7:00 pm (60-minute lessons) SATURDAYS: 9:00 am–12:00 pm (60-minute lessons) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> WEDNESDAYS: 5:00–6:00 pm	September to June

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Group Cello			
Grades 1-3	Students learn cello technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a small group setting for one hour a week (up to 5 students in each class). They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Wednesday at 5:00 pm.	THURSDAYS: 6:30 pm–7:30 pm (group lesson) FRIDAYS: 4:45–5:45 pm (group lesson) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> WEDNESDAYS: 5:00–6:00 pm	September to June
Group Percussion			
Grades 4-12	Students learn to play drum set and percussion instruments (i.e. keyboard percussion instruments, snare drum, hand drums and many more) at their own pace, in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class.) They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Monday at 5:00 pm.	MONDAYS: 4:00–5:00 pm (Junior group lesson) TUESDAYS: 6:00–7:00 pm (Senior group lesson; must have percussion experience) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> MONDAYS: 5:00–6:00 pm	September to June
Group Guitar			
Grades 4-12	Students learn guitar technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a small group setting for one hour a week (up to 5 students in each class). They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Tuesday at 6:00 pm.	FRIDAYS: 4:00 pm–6:00 pm (60-minute group lessons) SUNDAYS: 9:00 am–1:00 pm (60-minute group lessons) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> TUESDAYS: 6:00–7:00 pm	September to June
Group Brass (<i>trumpet, trombone, tuba, French horn, baritone horn</i>)			
Grades 4-12	Students learn brass instrument technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a small group setting for one hour a week (up to 5 students in each class). They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Sunday from 1:45–2:45 pm.	SUNDAYS: Class 1: 1:00–1:45 pm (Junior group lesson) Class 2: 2:45–3:45 pm (Senior group lesson) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> SUNDAYS: 1:45–2:45 pm	September to June



PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Group Wind (<i>flute, clarinet, saxophone</i>)			
Grades 4–12	Students learn wind instrument technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a small group setting for one hour a week (up to 5 students in each class). They are also required to come together once a week as a larger ensemble every Sunday from 1:45–2:45 pm.	SUNDAYS: Class 1: 1:00–1:45 pm (Junior group lesson) WEDNESDAYS: Class 2: 4:00–5:00 pm (Senior group lesson) Mandatory Ensemble Rehearsal <i>(for all students)</i> SUNDAYS: 1:45–2:45 pm	September to June

Ensembles

RPSM ensembles range in size from 6–40 students depending on the instrument. (Choir is the largest ensemble. The majority of ensembles remain at approximately 12 students). We encourage all students taking group or private lessons to also join an ensemble.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Recorder/Melodica Ensemble			
Grades 1–3	Students learn recorder and melodica technique and basic theory while developing the skills required to play in an ensemble.	WEDNESDAYS: 4:00–5:00 pm	September to June
Handchime/Harp Ensemble			
Grades 1–3	Students learn handchime and harp technique and begin learning basic theory while developing the skills required to play in an ensemble.	SATURDAYS: 3:30–4:30 pm	September to June
Ukulele Ensemble			
Grades 1–7	Students learn ukulele technique and begin learning basic theory while developing the skills required to play in an ensemble.	SATURDAYS: Class 1: 4:30–5:30 pm (Grades 1–3) WEDNESDAYS: Class 2: 6:00–7:00 pm (Grades 4–7)	September to June

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Choir			
Grades 1-12	Students develop vocal technique, ear training and sing as part of an ensemble.	TUESDAYS: Class 1: 4:00–5:00 pm (Grades 1–7) Class 2: 5:00–6:00 pm (Grades 8–12)	September to June
iPad Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students learn to compose music and create loops while developing their ear training and basic music theory.	FRIDAYS: Class 1: 4:00–5:00 pm (Grades 4–7) Class 2: 5:00–6:00 pm (Grades 8–12)	September to June
Turntable Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students learn DJ and turntable techniques in an ensemble (up to 5 students in each class).	THURSDAYS: Class 1: 5:00–6:00 pm (Grades 4–7) Class 2: 6:00–7:00 pm (Grades 8–12) FRIDAYS: Class 3: 6:00–7:00 pm (Grades 4–7) Class 4: 7:00–8:00 pm (Grades 8–12)	September to June
Steel Pan Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students learn to play the steel pan while working in an ensemble setting.	MONDAYS: Class 1: 6:00–7:00 pm (Beginner class) Class 2: 7:00–8:00 pm (Advanced class; must have steel pan experience)	September to June
Percussion Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students use a wide variety of percussion instruments (hand drums, bells, gongs, and more) to explore percussion techniques, improvisation and ensemble playing.	MONDAYS: 5:00–6:00 pm	September to June

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Senior Guitar Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students develop their proficiency and technique while learning the skills required to play in an ensemble. <i>*Students must have at least 1 year of experience playing guitar.</i>	TUESDAYS: 7:00–8:00 pm	September to June
Senior Strings Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students develop their proficiency and technique while learning the skills required to play in an ensemble. <i>*Students must have at least 2 years experience playing violin, viola or cello and be able to sight read.</i>	SATURDAYS: 12:30–1:30 pm	September to June
Community Band			
9–101 years old	This free program is open to students, parents, friends, and supporters of RPSM. Bring your instrument each week to make music with us! Some musical experience is recommended. Speak with the front desk to sign-up.	WEDNESDAYS: 7:00–8:00 pm	September to June

Private Lessons

Students may be considered for private lessons after a minimum of 3 years of group and ensemble study. RPSM offers private lessons in: piano, violin, viola, cello, guitar, voice, flute, saxophone, clarinet, brass, percussion, bass, and harp.

Music Theory

Students enrolled in private lessons have the option of studying in our group theory classes, based on the recommendation of their teacher. RPSM teaches a progressive music theory curriculum that applies theoretical concepts to performance and composition, while preparing students to write Royal Conservatory of Music exams.

Youth Committee

Students in high school are invited to join RPSM's Youth Committee. The Youth Committee meets on a regular basis to plan and support a variety of events and initiatives at RPSM. For more information, please speak with the front desk or email programs@rpmusic.org.



SATELLITE PROGRAMMING

RPSM currently offers weekly programs in two satellite neighbourhoods across the city: **Jane and Finch** and **Parkdale**.

For more information, please call 416.364.8900.

We take attendance seriously and require that students commit to their weekly lesson.

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JANE & FINCH LOCATIONS

Firgrove Public School (270 Firgrove Cr.)

Priority is given to students attending Firgrove P.S.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Group Piano			
Grades 3-5	Students learn piano technique and basic music theory at their own pace, in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class). Priority for this program is given to students attending Firgrove P.S.	MONDAYS: 3:20-6:20 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June
Steel Pan Ensemble			
Grades 3-5	Students learn steel pan technique and music theory in an ensemble setting. Priority for this program is given to students attending Firgrove P.S.	MONDAYS: 11:40 am-12:30 pm	October to June

Monsignor Fraser College (45 Norfinch Dr.)

Programs at Monsignor Fraser College are open to all students living in the neighborhood.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Ukulele			
Grades 1-3	Students learn ukulele technique and begin learning basic theory while developing the skills required to play in an ensemble.	SATURDAYS: 9:00-10:00 am	October to June
Choir			
Grades 1-12	Students develop vocal technique, ear training and sing as part of an ensemble.	WEDNESDAYS: Class 1: 4:00-5:00 pm (Grades 1-5) Class 2: 5:00-6:00 pm (Grades 6-12)	October to June
Percussion Ensemble			
Grades 1-12	Students use a wide variety of percussion instruments (hand drums, bells, gongs, and more) to explore percussion techniques, improvisation, and ensemble playing.	SATURDAYS: Class 1: 3:00-4:00 pm (Grades 1-3) Class 2: 4:00-5:00 pm (Grades 4-12)	October to June
Group Guitar			
Grades 4-12	Students learn guitar technique and basic music theory while learning at their own pace in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class).	SATURDAYS: 10:00-12:00 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June
Rock Band			
Grades 4-12	Students learn to play in a band, on piano, guitar, drums, bass guitar, and vocals.	SATURDAYS: Class 1: 12:00-1:00 pm (Grades 4-7) Class 2: 1:00-2:00 pm (Grades 8-12)	October to June
Steel Pan Ensemble			
Grades 4-12	Students learn steel pan technique and music theory in an ensemble setting.	SATURDAYS: 2:00-3:00 pm	October to June

Oakdale Park Middle School (315 Grandravine Dr.)

Priority is given to students attending Oakdale Park M.S.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Group Guitar			
Grades 6-8	Students learn guitar technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class). Priority for this program is given to students attending Oakdale Park M.S.	TUESDAYS: 3:00-6:00 pm (60-minute lessons) WEDNESDAYS: 3:00-7:00 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June
Group Piano			
Grades 6-8	Students learn guitar technique and basic music theory at their own pace in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class). Priority for this program is given to students attending Oakdale Park M.S.	THURSDAYS: 3:00-6:00 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June

Topcliff Public School (65 Topcliff Ave.)

Priority is given to students attending Topcliff P.S.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Group Piano			
Grades 3-5	Students learn piano technique and basic music theory at their own pace, in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class). Priority for this program is given to students attending Topcliff P.S.	WEDNESDAYS: 3:20-5:20 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June

Various Locations

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY & TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Pianimators!			
All grades	This free drop-in program lets students make music alongside professional musicians in a flexible setting. Geared to each student's individual goals and interests, activities include: improvisation, instrumental instruction (piano, guitar, ukulele, percussion, strings, and more), vocal instruction, music theory, song-writing, jamming, and exploring various musical genres.	Various days and times (please call our office for more details).	September to June



PARKDALE LOCATION

Queen Victoria Public School (100 Close Ave.)

Priority is given to students attending Queen Victoria P.S.

PROGRAM NAME			
AGE RANGE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	DAY AND TIME (Subject to change)	PROGRAM LENGTH
Steel Pan/Bucket Drumming			
Grades 1-3	Students learn rudimentary percussion techniques on steel pan and bucket drums, in an ensemble setting.	THURSDAYS: 3:45-4:45 pm	October to June
Ukulele Ensemble			
Grades 1-3	Students learn ukulele technique and begin learning basic theory while developing the skills required to play in an ensemble.	THURSDAYS: 3:45-4:45 pm	October to June
Choir			
Grades 1-8	Students develop vocal technique, ear training and sing as part of an ensemble.	WEDNESDAYS: 3:45-4:45 pm	October to June
Group Piano			
Grades 3-8	Students learn piano technique and basic music theory at their own pace, in a group setting (up to 5 students in each class).	SATURDAYS: 10:00 am-5:00 pm (60-minute lessons)	October to June
Nonsense Orchestra			
Grades 4-8	Students have a unique chance to experiment in conducting, composing, improvising and performing on various musical instruments.	THURSDAYS: 4:45-5:45 pm	October to June

FEE STRUCTURE

REGENT PARK PROGRAMS

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FEE CATEGORY	GROSS FAMILY INCOME**	NUMBER DEPENDENTS	PRIVATE LESSON FEE (PER 30 MIN.)	GROUP LESSON FEE (PER LESSON)
A	<\$20,000	n/a	\$2	\$1
B	\$20,000–\$39,999	n/a	\$8	\$4
C	\$40,000–\$49,999	2 or more	\$8	\$4
D	\$40,000–\$49,999	1	\$12	\$7
E	\$50,000–\$59,999	2 or more	\$12	\$7
F	\$50,000–\$59,999	1	\$16	\$10
G	\$60,000–\$69,999	2 or more	\$16	\$10
H	\$60,000–\$69,999	1	\$20	\$13

ENSEMBLE	GROSS FAMILY INCOME**	PRICE PER YEAR
All ensembles	Less than \$70,000	\$40

SATELLITE LOCATION PROGRAMS

(Jane & Finch and Parkdale Locations, pages 10–14)

PROGRAM	GROSS FAMILY INCOME**	PRICE PER YEAR
All group programs and ensembles	Less than \$70,000	\$40
Private lessons	See private lesson fee structure for Regent Park location	

* We are currently only accepting students with an annual family income of less than \$70,000. This fee structure is in place to ensure that RPSM can provide affordable music education and opportunities to families who would not otherwise be able to afford such activities.

** Upon enrolment, all families must present proof of total family income.

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1

(September 2016–January 31, 2017)

Aug 22	REGISTRATION OPENS FOR TERM 1 (Regent Park)
Sept 6	REGISTRATION OPENS FOR TERM 1 (Parkdale and Jane-Finch)
Sept 12	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 (Regent Park)
Oct 3	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 (Parkdale and Jane-Finch)
Oct 10	Thanksgiving Day (no lessons)
Oct 27	Halloween Recital (Regent Park only)
Dec 21	Holiday Recital (Regent Park only)
Dec 22–Jan 8	Winter Break (no lessons)
Jan 9	Lessons resume (all locations)
Jan 11	REGISTRATION OPENS FOR TERM 2 (all locations)
Jan 31	Last day of Term 1

TERM 2

(February 1–June 24, 2017)

Feb 1	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 (all locations)
Feb 10	Valentine's Recital (Regent Park only)
Feb 20	Family Day (no lessons)
Mar 13–19	March Break (no lessons)
Mar 21	REGISTRATION OPENS FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS (all locations)
Apr 4	Spring Recital (Regent Park only)
Apr 14	Good Friday (no lessons)
Apr 16	Easter Sunday (no lessons)
May 22	Victoria Day (no lessons)
June 23	Last day of Term 2
June 24	End of year Celebration (all students invited)

SUMMER TERM 2017

(July 10–August 20, 2017)

July 10	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM
Aug 7	Civic Holiday (no lessons)
Aug 20	Last day of Summer Term

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGENT PARK & JANE-FINCH REGISTRATION

Online registration opens on August 22, 2016 for Term 1 and on January 11, 2017 for Term 2. Programs are subject to availability.

To register, please visit www.rpmusic.org or drop into our office at **585 Dundas St. East, suite 220** during one of our registration periods. For more information, please call **416.364.8900**.

PARKDALE REGISTRATION

Registration periods are in September for our Term 1 and January for our Term 2. Programs are subject to availability.

Priority is given to students who attend Queen Victoria P.S. Forms will be distributed to classes and available in the school office. For more information, please call **416.364.8900**.