

School of the Arts (SOTA) Private Music Lessons 2025-2026

The SOTA program at BCA offers private, half hour music lessons during the school day and after school for your child.

From beginner musicians to students preparing for Royal Conservatory of Music examinations, the SOTA program encourages students of all levels. Each teacher is experienced and qualified in their instruments and they are enthusiastic and caring, providing the very best in instruction. SOTA students and families are given regular feedback, performance opportunities around the school and a final recital in June!

This program provides excellence in music education as well as the convenience of having lessons during the school day and after school at a competitive rate.

Lessons are offered for the full year only, (30 lessons) and the **payment must be in place before the lessons begin**. Lesson times are chosen in consultation with teachers, to ensure that the schedule will work for the student.

We look forward to inspiring your child with confidence, while teaching them the value of musical education in their lives.

SOTA Director, Ileah Rosella

"Make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn; shout for joy before the Lord, the King." -Psalm 98:5-6

SOTA Registration Form 2025-2026

Please return the completed registration form, along with payment to the office, clearly labeled "SOTA Registration" for Ileah Rosella. Full payment is to be received by September 8th, 2025, the week before lessons begin. Families can submit payments using PAD (pre-authorized debit), cash, credit or debit card, or e-transfer to accounting@bcaschool.ca.

Lessons will begin the week of **September 15-19th, 2025**, following consultation with both teacher and parents, to determine the best time slot for weekly lessons.

Name of Student:
• Grade:
Previous Music Lessons or Experience:
Guardian's Name:
Primary Contact - Email:
• Teacher Requested (<i>Please see teacher bios below</i>): 1st choice:/ 2nd choice:/
 **If requesting Ms. Rosella, please circle yes or no if your child is available to do after school lessons between 4-6pm on Monday or Tuesdays. Yes/ N
Cost: Full year \$1,080 (30 lessons)
Instrument choices (*Please check off which instrument choice) *String instruments:
Double Bass [], Bass Guitar [], Guitar [], Violin []
*Brass instruments:
Baritone Horn [], Euphonium [], French Horn [], Trombone [], Trumpet [], Tuba []
*Other:
Drums [], Music Discovery (JK/SK Intro to Music) [], Piano [], Voice []

Make-Up Lessons - If a SOTA teacher is absent, or if there is a class field trip, the lesson will be made up by the teacher. If a student is absent, there will be no make-up lesson provided. Make-up lesson weeks are planned throughout the year to allow for this and the schedule will be posted on Edsby.

SOTA Staff

Ileah Rosella- Music Discovery, Beginner-Advanced Voice, Beginner-Intermediate Piano

Ms. Rosella has been an educator and music teacher for over 7 years. She has trained in piano and classical voice, completing her examinations through the Royal Conservatory of Music. She has received scholarships in voice and studied with the Royal Conservatory's prestigious, "Young Artist Performance Academy" (now known as "The Taylor Academy") in Toronto, ON, prior to attending Sheridan College where she received an honours degree in Musical Theatre Performance. In 2018, she graduated from York University with a Bachelor of Education. She is excited to be taking on the SOTA Director and Head of the Music Department roles this year at BCA and looks forward to working with the talented students, helping to guide and nurture their passion for the arts with a Christ-centred focus. All glory to God! **Please note, lessons may take place during school hours throughout the week or after school on Mondays/Tuesdays.



Hillary Jamieson - Beginner-Advanced Violin, Beginner-Advanced Piano Ms. Hillary is a music teacher and educator with experience in teaching church music and a passion for encouraging and enabling her students to develop a love for music. She is an accomplished violinist, an incredible soloist, and an invited guest musician, to many churches in the area. She is a certified teacher through the Royal Conservatory of Music, and also a member of the Ontario Music Teachers Guild. In addition to teaching at BCA, she also teaches at various schools and runs her own studio.



Jude Kudera - Intermediate-Advanced Piano, Beginner - Intermediate Guitar

Mr. K is the school's beloved music teacher since 2019 and needs no further introduction! He will lend his expertise and years of knowledge and experience to every student he encounters.



Natalie Katzmann- Beginner-Advanced Voice

Mrs. Katzmann is a graduate of the Glenn Gould School of the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, ON where she studied classical singing and Opera. She's been in productions such as Mozart's "The Magic Flute", Engelbert Humperdinck's "Hansel & Gretel" and Pucell's "Dido and Aeneas." Natalie also enjoys musical theatre and was in a few productions such as "Nunsense", "Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and "Cats." She also very much enjoys pop and rock music and believes having the right foundations in singing will help anyone achieve their singing goals! Her goal as a music teacher is to make her students feel comfortable and confident during lessons so that they feel comfortable and confident on stage!



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Michelle Wagman- Music Discovery, Beginner-Advanced Voice

"Miss Michelle" is a dynamic and compassionate instructor with over fifteen years of experience in teaching vocal music and theatre. She grew up singing classical music and completed all of her grades through the Royal Conservatory of Music and Conservatory Canada before attending the prestigious Sheridan Institute for their Music Theatre Performance Program. She then went on to travel the globe as a professional performer and still continues to be active in the performance industry. She has been "friends" with many Disney Princesses, a recording artist, professional voice over artist, and teaches workshops and classes all over the GTA area on singing and performing. Michelle is passionate about instilling confidence in each student she encounters and is honoured to be able to share her love of music and performing with others. **Please note: Miss Michelle is only available on Thursdays.



Michael Abbott- Beginner-Advanced Brass Instruments, Beginner-Intermediate Drums, Double Bass and Bass Guitar

Mr. Abbott is an accomplished multi-instrumentalist and educator with a passion for inspiring students of all ages. He holds a Bachelor of Music in Performance, Arranging, and Conducting from the University of Hull in the UK. His primary instrument is the trumpet, and he currently serves as Principal Trumpet for the Oakville Symphony Orchestra. In addition to his orchestral work, he is an active member of his local church's worship team in Burlington, where he contributes on drums, bass, vocals, or trumpet. He also supports the team by leading rehearsals and arranging music for both vocalists and Instrumentalists. With experience performing in a wide variety of ensembles—including big bands, competing brass bands, and orchestras—Mr. Abbott brings a rich musical background to his teaching. He is passionate about one-on-one instruction and believes in helping students develop the foundational skills needed to collaborate and make music joyfully in group settings.



