# ABOUT THE HAMILTON MUSIC COLLECTIVE

Hamilton Music Collective (HMC) is a non-profit organization that was founded in 2008 by a group of musicians, educators and community supporters who are passionate about music and believe in its transformative power to enrich lives and empower youth.

Our mission is to invigorate the music scene in Hamilton through professional live performances, education, events, and workshops.

Our programs, including the An Instrument For Every Child (AIFEC) initiative, are designed to create music opportunities for children and youth in Hamilton's neighbourhoods with the greatest need and fewest resources.





### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Our programs are open to the public and have a fee of approximately \$12/class in order to cover the cost of instrument loans, with financial assistance available for families in need. Most classes run from October through June.

#### Visit hamiltonmusiccollective.ca/programs

to learn more about all our programs including the Musical Futures Production Program and An Instrument For Every Child.





Our classes take place at 141 Park Street North, Hamilton.

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# INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL PROGRAMS



The HMC Centre for Performance and Education

#### **JAM 101**

Jam 101 is a fun-filled class for beginners who would like to explore all styles of music and techniques without committing to a single instrument. We incorporate improvisation, free jams in a group setting, and confidence building.

Offered to: Ages 12 and under.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

#### **JAMBASSADORS**

JAMBASSADORS exposes students to the "ins and outs" of being in a band, with instruction from pro musicians. We provide rehearsal gear, and lead the bands through songs and preparing for gigs. Our bands have performed at Supercrawl and Sound of Music festival. Open to singers, drummers, guitar, bass, keys and more.

> Offered to: Ages 12 - 17 with experience on an instrument.



#### **OPEN JAM**

On the last Saturday of each month, young musicians and singers take the stage and showcase their talents. Jammers can perform on their own, with friends, or with our skilled instructors. All styles and skill levels welcome.

> Offered to: Ages 17 and under. Show up, sign up and perform!



# **STRING ENSEMBLE & ORCHESTRA**

woodwinds, brass or percussion can join one of our mid-sized ensembles. Students learn to follow a conductor and train their ears. Being a part of any ensemble gives opportunities to meet new friends and develop teamwork skills.

Offered to: Ages 8 - 15 with 2 years of experience reading music.

#### **VOCAL CLASSES**

Our vocal coach works with students on choosing songs, stage presence, choreography, and finding their own voice. Students also work on important aspects of singing including warming up, improving range and tone. Classes are split into contemporary or musical theatre streams.

> Offered to: Ages 6 - 15 for beginner to intermediate students.

> > NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## **INSTRUMENT GROUP LESSONS**

Our instructors develop skills in harmony, melody, rhythm and sightreading. They also build on techniques learned in their AIFEC lessons. Students are provided with an instrument and taught in groups of 4-6 students.

Offered to: Ages 11 - 15 with 2 years of experience on guitar, piano, or drums.

#### **SAMBA REGGAE DRUM ENSEMBLE**

Dive into the fun of ensemble drumming in the style of Batucada from Salvador, Bahia, and Brazil. Master the ability to dance and play, interpret musical cues through hand signals, and immerse yourself in the rich language of Samba Reggae.

Offered to: Ages 12 - 18.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY