

## 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 at competitive prices to make music lessons accessible to everyone. Fees include an instrument loan. Financial assistance is available for families in need. Most classes run from October through June.

Visit [hamiltonmusiccollective.ca/programs](https://hamiltonmusiccollective.ca/programs) to learn more about all our programs including the Musical Futures Production Program and An Instrument For Every Child.

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## INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL PROGRAMS

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## 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

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

Students with experience on strings, 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.

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## ALSO CHECK OUT OUR MUSIC PRODUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

- Beat Making
- Intro to Recording
- Intro to DJing and Turntables
- Song Writing

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## MUSICAL FUTURES PRODUCTION PROGRAM

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## SONGWRITING

Participants explore lyric writing, the art of composition, and personal expression through music. Students have the opportunity to record their original song at the end of the class to share with friends and family.

**Offered to: Ages 12 - 17.**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## BEATS BY U!

Students learn to combine loops and samples to create original music and beats in our music production lab and recording studio. Our instructors teach Ableton Live and use a variety of gear including keyboard controllers, Launchpads, and groove boxes. Explore electronic music, pop, hip-hop, dance music, and more.

**Offered to: Ages 12 - 17  
for beginner or advanced students.**

## BEATS JR

A special tech class for younger students to explore different styles of music including DJ culture, remixing, and programming music. Students get to experiment with iPads, microphones, and keyboard controllers in a playful environment.

**Offered to: Ages 7 - 11.**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## MUSIC FOR VIDEO GAMES

Explore the fun of soundtracks that accompany your favourite video games. Learn to write new music and design unique digital sounds in our music production lab.

**Offered to: Ages 10+**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## INTRO TO DJING & TURNTABLES

Get your hands on the decks and let the party begin! Explore the art of scratching, beat matching, mixing, and building a record collection. Students use a combination of hardware and software to begin their DJ journey.

**Offered to: Ages 10+**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## INTRO TO RECORDING

Students learn the basics of using microphones, mixing, mastering, and creating original music in our recording studio. Our instructors show how to record different instruments and styles of music, and combine it into a finished song for release.

**Offered to: Ages 12+**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

## SOUNDHAUS STUDIOS

Our upgraded in-house professional recording studio and music production lab. Equipped with 10 Mac workstations for students to work on individual projects, and flexibility to record a variety of instruments in an acoustically treated space. Handled by a state-of-the-art M2 Mac Studio, Dynaudio Lyd 48 monitors and 18S subwoofer, and SSL Control Surfaces

