



# Garten's Music

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## Back-to-school time? Try the classrooms at the Wichita Music Academy!

As students return to school this month, many are also heading to the classrooms at the Wichita Music Academy!

Back-to-school time is also an ideal time of year to start music lessons. The Wichita Music Academy, located at Garten's Music, offers piano, keyboard, guitar, bass, ukulele, violin, viola, brass and voice lessons.

Some students find it too difficult to choose just one, so they take multiple lessons. Kaliegh Galicia, 15, is among them. She takes piano and voice lessons.

"I like that I get to learn new techniques on how to sing better, and it's very entertaining and relaxing," Kaliegh said. "It helps me grow as a person because it opens my eyes to new things and to see things in a different way."

Her favorite musicians include Adele, Florence +

the Machine, Jason Mraz, Amy Lee of Evanescence and Lana Del Rey. The Wichita Music Academy emphasizes that music should be fun and students should work on the kind of music they want to learn.

"I've been working on 'Rolling in the Deep' by Adele," Kaliegh said. "I'm learning to play the song and sing to it at the same time."

Kaliegh has been a choir member since she was in second grade, and her goals are to learn choral music and pop music, she said.

"I'm hoping to become a madrigal at my school's choir next year," she added. "I would like to also participate in theater at my school."

Kaliegh admitted that taking piano and voice lessons can be daunting, but she was quick to point

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Kaliegh Galicia, 15, takes piano and voice lessons through the Wichita Music Academy at Garten's Music.

Sign up for lessons at the Wichita Music Academy and your registration is **FREE!**

**\$25.00 value**

**Expires Sept. 14, 2013**

Cannot be combined with any other offer; limit 1 per household.

## Parents comment on kids' success

“He enjoys playing and enjoys his lessons with Billy (Bloomquist, guitar teacher). And we are so happy with his progress.” – **Carole**, writing about her 7-year-old son

“I want to let you know how much Mady loves her voice lessons! Dave (Krasky, voice teacher) is absolutely PHENOMENAL! She looks forward to her lessons and is so excited about the music she and Dave are working on. Every week she tells me how thankful she is to have a teacher who really gets her. Many thanks.” – **Angela**, writing about her 15-year-old daughter

“We wanted her to (play music) and then it turned out she’s pretty good at it. That’s what they’re telling me. And she likes it!” – **Harvinder**, writing about her 11-year-old daughter

“I know that she really likes coming in and pulling out all of the benches and playing all of the beautiful pianos in the store. This was a wonderful experience for her! I am so thankful to everyone for making us feel so welcomed.” – **Elizabeth**, writing about her 5-year-old niece

## Welcome to new & returning students who signed up for lessons & classes!

Ruth F.  
Connie G.  
Bill H.  
Myron S.  
Janae W.  
Larry M.  
Nona M.  
Roy B.  
Ian B.  
Natalia C.  
Kaliegh G.  
Yalitz J.  
Christian G.  
Chuck E.

Bill F.  
Judie H.  
Jan K.  
Mary P.  
Roberta S.  
Nancy S.  
Laurie D.  
Leo H.  
Joe P.  
Arletta P.  
Melissa S.  
Carl B.  
Betty D.

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out that she didn’t mind.

“It’s worth it in the end,” Kaliegh remarked.

Another student who takes two types of lessons at the Wichita Music Academy is Brooklyn Harrison, 11. She is learning to play piano and guitar.

“I just want to be really good at playing,” Brooklyn said.

Brooklyn started her lessons a few months ago. Her mother, Harvinder Harrison, said Brooklyn’s teachers have remarked that she is talented.

“I think she’s doing really good,” Harrison continued. “She practices at home, and I can hear how much difference from when she started.”

Brooklyn said she likes learning new songs. Her favorite so far is “When the Saints Go Marching In.”

“She’s in middle school and she’ll be playing



Brooklyn Harrison, 11, takes piano and guitar lessons in addition to playing volleyball.

volleyball soon,” said her mother, “but she’s like, ‘No, I don’t want to quit (an instrument). I like both.’”

## Lowrey's Bob Ashworth entertains, inspires organists at Garten's

Lowrey's Bob Ashworth (at right) visited Wichita in July to entertain Lowrey organ owners at Garten's Music!

He played various organ models and highlighted the numerous music styles available. His presentation inspired the spectators to apply the amazing sounds and features of Lowrey to their favorite songs. Thanks for visiting, Bob!



# Mark your calendars!

## Upcoming classes and gatherings at Garten's Music:

### Goofin' Around Keyboard Class

#### Lowrey Magic: Red Book 4

This 10-week class is for graduates of the Lowrey Red Book 3 class.

Class begins at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3. Call now to enroll!

#### PlayTime

is an opportunity to come enjoy listening to and playing for your friends! Current and former Lowrey students are invited.

– 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13

#### NEW CLASS:

#### Lowrey Magic Green Book 1

This is a brand-new book for owners of Lowrey deluxe organs! Includes current models (Legend and Patriot) and retired models (Performer, Prestige, Sensation, Stardust, Century, Legacy and Royale). Students will learn more about some of the Lowrey features.

Class begins at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5. Call for details!

#### Senior Expo

is not at Garten's, but look for our exhibit Thursday, Sept. 26! The expo lasts from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at four locations: Botanica, Exploration Place, Old Cowtown Museum and the Wichita Art Museum.

#### L.I.F.E. in Kansas MusicMakers

Join the club and enjoy making music with us.

– 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6

#### Organ Club

includes a Name That Tune game, playing tips, new songbooks and great music!

– 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20  
(Theme: Songs of World War II)

Grandparents Day  
is celebrated Sunday, Sept. 8!  
We wish all grandparents a  
wonderful day!

# Garten's offers guitars sized for adults, kids

Garten's Music has expanded its inventory! The store now has quality guitars available for students.

Sometimes students start their lessons with guitars that aren't well-suited for beginners; perhaps the instruments don't stay in tune or their strings are difficult for little fingers to press down. So we have carefully selected some nice instruments that are student-sized and student-priced. All of them are 3/4 size. Some 1/2 size are available as well. (Of course, we'd be happy to order their full-sized counterparts for you, too!)

We are particularly pleased to announce that Ventura guitars are again available in Wichita. Ventura, a name many will recognize



from its popularity in the 1960s and 1970s, builds all sizes and styles of guitars, both acoustic and electric. The company also offers

ukuleles, mandolins, banjos and violins. Stop by Garten's Music and check out these affordable options!



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