



Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters** - your weekly inspiration with ideas for Summer Music Making from Teach Music 21C.



It's the final week of lessons. Student Report Cards are done. Parent Check Ins have been completed and information gathered. I've met with Teens to discuss their activities over the past few months. Now it's time to transition into summer music making with a special theme. Read [more...](#)

Cheers,

Merlin B. Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

Music Teacher Summer Must-Haves

The summer months are a great opportunity for music teachers to try a change of pace. Here are some suggestions:

- Sleep in as often as you can,
- Put away your cellphone for whole days,
- Connect with nature often,
- Make & drink lemonade,
- Enrol in Teach Music 21C Certification.

Enjoy your summer!!

TM21C Certification

Do you feel the need for change? Is there a music teaching situation you'd like to resolve? Would you like to join a community of forward-thinking music teachers?

Teach Music 21C Certification has already helped music teachers across Alberta, British Columbia, Colorado, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Quebec, Saskatchewan, and Utah.

How much does it cost? \$99 CAD.

When is it offered? We have summer cohorts in July and August.

Why wait any longer!? Now is a great time to [register...](#)

From the Merrell Studio

My nine year old granddaughter was visiting from out of town. I suggested she give a concert. She loved the idea, so we invited family, made cookies, programs, and she gave a concert of twelve songs, including an encore duet we played together. She was so excited to play! A wonderful summer's eve impromptu concert brought the family together and made a little pianist very happy.



Certification Testimonial

Testimonial from Peter - "It should be mandatory training for all university music education training. Thank you, Dr. Thompson, for your efforts to bring us all into the 21st century!"

Change

The tone of music teaching is changing.

The best thing music teachers can do is to understand this change.

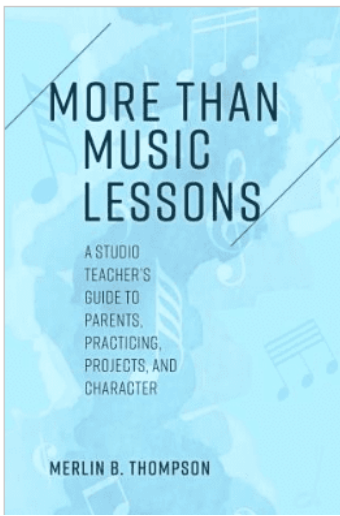
We'll help you get the skills to implement change.

"More than Music Lessons"

Teaching Tip

Making music is the perfect workout for human character.

1. Play with gratitude. Be generous.
2. Blend vulnerability with genuineness.



3. Cultivate joy and self-forgiveness. Light and shadow.

(Kindle & paperback available on [Amazon](#) & from the publisher [Rowman & Littlefield](#).)

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, June 18, 10-11 a.m. MST

Idea of the Month Webinar - "Summer Plans" - Register [here](#)

Friday, July 5 - Twenty Years From Now: What Will Your Music Students Be Doing?

Saturday, July 6 - Working with Parents: Past, Present, & Future
Online presentations for the Canada Federation of Music Teachers Conference.

Teach Music 21C Certification Summer Schedule

July Schedule: Our one-hour modules take place Monday July 8, Thursday July 11, Monday July 15, Thursday July 18, and Monday July 22.

August Schedule: Our one-hour modules take place Wednesday August 14, Thursday August 15, Friday August 16, Monday August 19, and Tuesday August 20.

[Click here](#) to register for the timeline that works for you. The summer schedule is just weeks away.

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