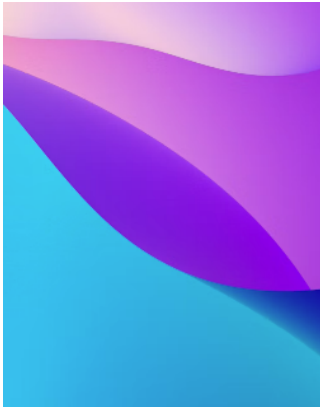




Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters**: where reflection deepens practice, curiosity fuels growth, and every lesson counts.



Can you believe June is already here!? Where has the time gone? I really appreciate this time of year as an opportunity to look back and see what's happened over the past few months. All the big goals have come and gone. Now we can just relax and settle into some new repertoire. This is not a "growth" time of the year. It's time for "rest". Later this month, I'll remind parents of our Check In meeting. For now, I'm just organizing my thoughts and would like to share my reflections on a few students. Read [more...](#) Wishing you continued inspiration in your teaching,

Merlin Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

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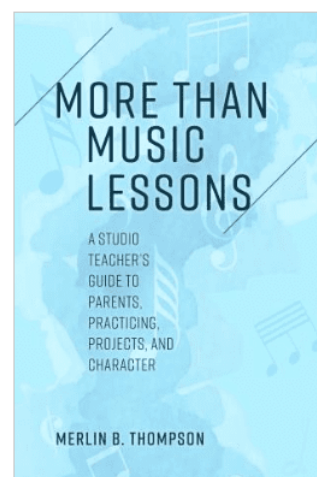
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- July 17 - 10-11 a.m. MST
- July 18 - 10-12 a.m. MST

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- July 26 - Beginner Piano Teacher Workshop (Calgary)

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- August session - Suzuki Enrichment Workshop (online 10 hours)

- August 9 - Beginner Piano Teacher Workshop (Calgary)

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Upcoming Dates

June 12: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

"Teaching June Lessons with Summer and September in Mind"

Sponsored by Long & McQuade.

June 19: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

Idea of the Month Webinar with Merlin B. Thompson

Questions, Thoughts

Do you have questions?

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How about chatting with Merlin Thompson?

SEND me a message at
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