



Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters** - your timely collection of practical strategies and inspirational insights from Teach Music 21C.



Over the past 12 months, it's been amazing to watch the ideas behind Teach Music 21C develop into a real life community of active music teachers. Comprised of experienced and novice music teachers, the TM21C community stands out for their enthusiasm to broaden their teaching skillset, their willingness to explore new directions, and their courage to recognize the gaps in their teaching and do something about it. Does this sound like you? Would you like to join a community of music teachers who create musical journeys that match what students are looking for? Teach Music 21C has strategies to make it work you won't find anywhere else.

Merlin B. Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

Teach Music 21C Certification

The next TM21C Certification begins Wednesday, May 1, and continues May 15, May 29, June 12, and June 19 online from 10-11 a.m. Calgary time. [Register now](#) for the May 1 start date.

Multiple Ownership

Would you like a teaching strategy that

empowers your students' awareness and reflective thinking processes? Then be sure to check out this video all about [Multiple Ownership](#). It's from the Idea of the Month Webinar.



Music Teacher Podcasts

[Podcast #8](#) from the Teach Music 21C Podcast Series: "Mistakes are not the problem. Mistakes are part of the solution." Find out what Merlin Thompson and Lorrie Merrell have to say about making mistakes in this illuminating conversation.



Teach Music 21C

What is Teach Music 21C? A dynamic community of forward-thinking music teachers who create musical journeys that match what students are looking for.

What do TM21C teachers do? They tailor their teaching strategies and goals to meet the needs of their diverse students.

How do TM21C teachers get students to practice? By creating a collaborative teaching environment that prioritizes student autonomy and reflective thinking.

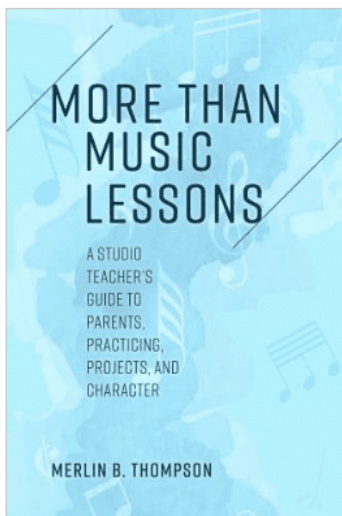
Thoughts for Today

"In today's teaching environment, teachers' most valuable asset is always a combination of how much teachers know and how easily we learn new things. It's all about established and evolving expertise."



From "More than Music Lessons"

... Music isn't something students explore separately from everything else in their lives. Students' musical development thrives when



teachers combine their musical knowledge and expertise with the real-life dynamics of students' personal, interpersonal, and musical lives.

(Kindle & paperback available on [Amazon](#))

Upcoming Dates

May 13-14

Presentation at U Calgary

Saturday, June 1

Presentation for Calgary Music Teachers

Sunday, June 16

Presentation for Texas Music Teachers Conference

Teach Music 21C Certification Spring/Summer Schedule

Our Spring/Summer Schedule includes May, July, and August start dates. [Click here](#) for Start Date info and register for the timeline that works for you.

Teach Music 21C professional development is an investment in your career that pays dividends in students' retention, satisfaction, and success. Please join us in changing the tone of music teaching.

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