



Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters**: inspiring today's music teachers with forward-thinking ideas from Teach Music 21C.



I know I've been writing a lot these days about the transformation that's taking place in music teaching. It's such an important topic and there's so much going on! It's amazing to hear from so many teachers as we refine our teaching strategies. Which brings me to these timely questions: What makes a good music teacher in 2025? What are the key qualities of an effective music teacher in today's music studios? [Read more...](#)

All the best with your teaching,

Merlin Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

Attention University Students!

Are you a university music student?

Recent graduate?

Interested in music teaching?

Coming soon -

**Music Teaching from the Beginning:
What Beginner Music Teachers Need to Know that
University Classes Don't Cover**

Stay tuned for important announcements.

Idea of the Month Webinar

This month's topic is a good one!

"How can music teachers encourage musical expression without outlining every detail of phrasing?"

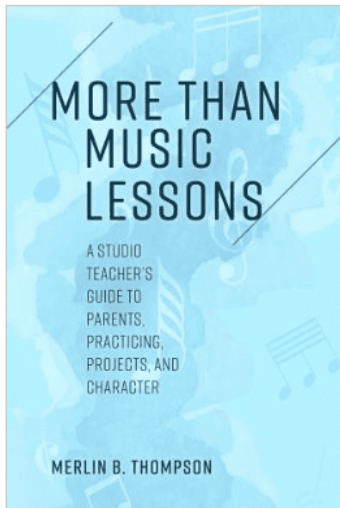
**What are your thoughts?
What strategies do you use?**

[Click HERE to register](#)

for the next Idea of the Month Webinar

Thursday, March 20, 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

"More than Music Lessons"



Repetition involves more than deciding how many times students should repeat an activity - whether it's a matter of five, ten, fifty, or one hundred repetitions.

It's about teachers finding ways to tap into students' desire to invest their own time, energy, and effort into something that matters to them.

Available on [Amazon.](#)

Making Changes

Making changes to our teaching can seem like a gigantic task.

So here are two questions to consider -

What strategy, if implemented for the remainder of this year, would transform your teaching the most?

When can you start?

TM21C Certification



The Spring and Summer cohorts are now open for registration.

[Check out the Schedule
HERE](#)

Spring Session - Tuesdays beginning March 25.

July Summer Session: begins July 16

August Summer Session: begins August 13

👉 [Click here to Register NOW!](#)

Thought for Today

No teacher or student can go back and start another beginning.

But all teachers and students can turn their next effort into something that matters.

Upcoming Dates

March 13: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

"Helping Students to Think Things Through" - sponsored by Long & McQuade. [Register HERE.](#)

March 20: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

Idea of the Month Webinar - Musical Expression. [Register HERE.](#)

March 25: Spring Start for Certification program

Sign up for 5 one-hour online sessions [HERE.](#)

April 10: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

"What Neuroscience has to Say" - sponsored by Long & McQuade

Questions, Thoughts

Do you have questions?
Would you like more info?
How about chatting with Merlin Thompson?

SEND me a message at
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and we'll get together!



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