

Con Forza Music Studio

Online lessons via Google Meet

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STUDIO POLICY 2025-2026

Calendar: Lessons begin on August 20, 2025, and end in mid-June 2026 (the Guild Audition and a diploma). School-age students are enrolled for the entire 9-month school term (32 weeks). Summer lessons will be scheduled by appointment to accommodate vacations.

Tuition: The monthly tuition fee is \$260 (\$65 for a sixty-minute class, four classes per month). Tuition for lessons is payable at the first lesson or by the 8th of the month. The invoice will be emailed or texted if payment is missing. Please pay by check or electronically by Venmo, CashApp, Apple Pay. A late fee of \$10 will be applied if the payment is missed after eight days.

Lesson Cancellation: There will be no refund for missed lessons. When given 48-hour notice, makeup lessons will be provided at the teacher's discretion, depending on the available time, in person or online. The instructor will make up classes if she is not able to teach it.

Books & Event Fees: The teacher recommends purchasing all music books. Fees for events (a recital and the Piano Guild audition) will be collected separately.

Performances: Participation in musical activities of any nature is highly recommended. Students are also encouraged and expected to take advantage of studio activities, such as the National Guild of Piano Auditions (running from mid-June-mid to July), the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair competition (March 2026, a date TBA), Miami Music Teachers Association events, the annual studio recital, and other piano events (for example, The Chopin Foundation Concert if selected). It is also suggested that the teacher be informed before upcoming performances, i.e., talent shows, school performances, etc., if a student plans to participate.

Practicing: A well-tuned piano, a bench or chair of appropriate height, and a quiet room are important. Sufficient and proper practice is essential to

ensure students' progress and musical growth; therefore, the teacher encourages each student to designate a daily practice schedule. Most students will need parental guidance in organizing their time to accomplish these goals.

Notebook: How-to practice is an integral part of every piano lesson. Each student should have a notebook in which the teacher will write a lesson assignment. The appropriate goals will be set for the students' practice of technical study, theory, sight-reading, repertoire, and memorization.

For online lessons, please have a good computer or iPad, an uninterrupted internet connection, and a quiet room.

Terminating: If a student comes to the lesson frequently unprepared, has repeated absences for non-valid reasons, or misses classes with no advanced notice, the teacher reserves the right to terminate the contract.

If a parent decides to terminate lessons, they are asked to do so with a month (30 days) of advanced notice or payment for one additional month's tuition if immediate termination is requested.

Parents, please support fulfilling the student's responsibilities and encourage progress. You are welcome to attend any lesson without notice and call the teacher to discuss the student's progress. Two copies are provided for both the parent(s) and the teacher. I confirm I have read the studio policy and agree to its terms:

Parent(s) Signature		
	Date	

Teachers' Signature

Dr. Kamilla Szklarska Kent

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