

STUDY GUIDE



Rhythm music institute Tauko

RMI TAUKO

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The principal's greeting

15.8.2023

Rhythm Music Institute Tauko has been a pioneer in rhythm music teaching for almost 40 years now. RMI Tauko is a music school specialized in rhythm music, where the basic education of art is taught through the general and advanced music curricula.

Rhythm music consists of jazz, rock, pop, schlager, dance and folk and every sub-genre of those genres, too!

It is time to embark on a new year in rhythm music. In your hands is the brand new study guide for the year 2023-2024 – we hope you can use it as a guide in times when you are wondering about different things, and as a way to keep yourself updated on the following year.

The vast benefits of studying music or participating in musical activities in general have been noticed and brought into light in various studies over recent years. Learning an instrument develops and maintains motor skills and cognitive skills, from childhood to older age. Making music together with others supports the growth of social skills.

'Well being through music' has been a guideline to Tauko for a long time. With us you can study music at the depth and seriousness you want, from sheer joy to professional prep studies.

In Tauko we offer classes in guitar, electric guitar, electric bass, drums, marching drums, piano, synth, song, flute, saxophone, clarinet, recorder and violin. On top of this there is also a possibility of studying music theory, music technology and singing or playing in a band.

We offer music classes for seniors, children under school age (piano and violin)

Tauko also offers music play school in Olari and in daycares in Espoo.

Besides the regular curriculum arrange weekend camps and workshop-type extra courses, that are announced separately.

On behalf of RMI Tauko I wish you all a great new year in music!

Tuomas Heikkinen
Principal

The structure of the basic art curriculum

The permission to practice basic art education is given either by the municipality or the ministry of education. The basic art education is divided into two curriculums: the general and the advanced. RMI Tauko has the permission to teach both curricula.

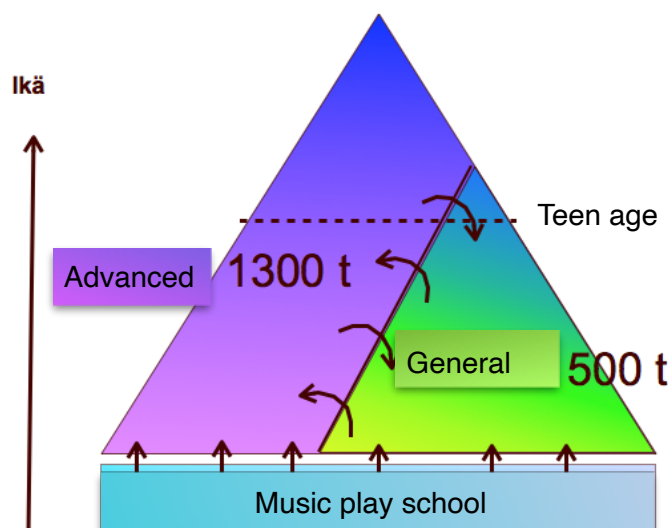
The general curriculum

The general curriculum is built out of four study units of different lengths: the introduction unit, the training unit, the stabilization unit and the specialise unit. The diploma can be received once the student has studied all four units, of which the total amount of hours is 500. In the general curriculum the joy of learning is combined with playing music together with other students.

The advanced curriculum

The advanced curriculum is built out of weekly instrument classes, music theory, band (or periods of doing music together with other students), performances and approximately every other year upcoming event of learning proof. The diploma for the basic level can be obtained through completing basic level studies. The diploma for the advanced curriculum can be obtained once basic and advanced instrument studies have been completed; additionally the complementary studies in music theory should have been completed. The hours of the advanced curriculum add up to 1300 hours. Ambitious, goal-oriented learning is combined with studying music in depth in the advanced curriculum.

Both the general and the advanced curriculum aim to help the student form a lifelong relationship with music. The advanced curriculum also enables the student to study music at a higher degree later in life.



Rhythm music institute TAUKO's principles

Values ja teaching principles

Rmi Tauko's values include humanity, listening to the students, social skills, community, expression, the admiration of music and the ability to choose and evaluate. The teaching aims to direct the student towards a concentrated, ambitious and long-lasting study habit. Listening to the students' own wishes and likings gives a positive effect on the interaction between the teacher and the group, improving learning.

The study environment

The study environment has been constructed to be safe and supportive of the student's growth and learning. Our reference point is a positive and supportive atmosphere, and a good interaction between the student and the teacher. There are six classrooms in Olari; a drum class in a soundproof basement environment. Our premises are big, well-lit and comfortable.

Cooperation with guardians

Tauko keeps contact with the student's home through the website and email. Teachers can always be reached through email or SMS, and the guardian will be contacted if the student has had two unexplained absences.

Concerts and performances

Matinées, concerts and other performances are a part of each term. We strive to make sure that every student has the chance to participate in a concert or matinée, either on the stage or as a member of the audience.

The advanced curriculum includes performing in both terms. The general curriculum includes them as well, however, unlike the advanced, they are voluntary. Performing is very popular and is a great stimulant to learning.

Evaluation

RMI Tauko constantly evaluates its own courses and activities, and the evaluation forms from students and teachers give valuable information to us, directing our activity. Self-evaluation is an important part of developing, and we use the Virvatuli -project's evaluation tools to improve our music institute.

Contact information

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040 079 4621

toimisto@tauko.com

Unfortunately we do not always have the possibility to answer the phone, so please leave a message or email us so we can get back to you!

Locations:

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www.tauko.com -> taukolaiset, there is a calendar where we update our events. You can also check possible substitute teachers and changes to lessons or substitute lessons from the calendar.

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Like our page, Rytmimusiikkiopisto Tauko, and get updates straight to your news feed!

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The school year 2023 - 2024

Autumn term 2023 (changes possible)

Teaching begins 14.8. and ends 13.12.

The term has 15 weeks, of which one is the Everyone Together week, in addition there's a matiné week. We recommend the optional Music theory class for children in school age, the class is included in the term fee. Substitute lessons: check with the teacher or contact the office.

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| 18.-22.09. | Everyone Together week |
| 29.09.-30.09. | Music knowledge II (blues and rock music history) |
| 09-13.10. | Make music with us; everyone is welcome to the class! |
| 30.10.-03.11. | Matinee and workshop week (no lessons) |
| 14.12. | Christmas concert in Kannu-sali |
| Weeks 50 and 51 | Substitute lessons (for students who want to make up for an absence) |

Holidays:

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| 16. - 20.10. | Autumn holiday |
| 23.12.23- 05.01.2024 | Christmas holiday |

Spring term 2024 (changes possible)

Teaching begins 08.01. and ends 08.05.

The term has 15 weeks, of which one is the Everyone Together week, in addition there's a matiné week. Substitute lessons: check with the teacher or contact the office.

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| 05.-09.02. | Everyone Together week |
| 01.-02.03. | Music knowledge III (improvisation and composing) |
| 11.-15.03. | Make music with us; everyone is welcome to the class! |
| 25.-28.03. | Matinee week (no normal classes) |
| In May | Spring concert |
| Week 20 ja 21 | Substitute lessons (for students who want to make up for an absence) |

Holidays:

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| 19. -23.02. | Winter/sport holiday |
| 29.03.- 01.04. | Easter holiday |
| 30.4.-1.5. | May Day free |

Summer term 2024 (weeks 21-25)

5 x 30 min private teaching as an intensive course.

You may choose a different instrument than what you normally study.

Day camp in Olari for children in elementary school in the beginning of June.

Term fees

15 music lessons, in which the Everyone Together day and the music theory classes are included: additionally included is matinee week. Changes are possible.

The general curriculum (group teaching 45 min):

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| Guitar, electric guitar, ukulele, electric bass, drums, piano (keyboard) | | 370 euro |
| Voice, flute/saxophone/clarinet, violin, viola | | 405 euro |
| Parent-child together | 30 min | 605 euro/pair/only for a year |
| | 45 min | 735 euro/pair/only for a year |
| Baby/toddler music play in Olari | | 155 euro |
| Kindergartens | | 130 euro |
| Private teaching (for students with special needs): | | |
| 20 min | | 410 euro |
| 30 min | | 605 euro |
| 45 min | | 735 euro |
| 30 min (every other week, 8 lessons/term) | | 330 euro |
| Extra courses: | | |
| band | | |
| marching drum | | |
| Music technology, digital expression | | |
| Music theory | | |
| | as main class | 175 euro |
| | as extra class | 110 euro |

The advanced curriculum (teaching in pairs 45 min or private teaching 30 min)

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| All instruments | 475 euro |
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Discounts:

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| Family discount | 50 euro /second and third family member |
| 2. instrument discount | 50 euro /second and third instrument |

MUHA-lessons in Olari (music theory) are included in term fee

Monday 19:15 (advanced group), on Wednesday 18:30 (continuing group), on Thursday 17:15 (continuing group) and on Thursday 18:55 (beginners)

Summer 2024

Private teaching (5 x 30 min)
Day camp

195 euro
195 euro

Being a student in Tauko

Enrollment

You can enroll as a student through:

- 1) enrolling at the open doors event in Olari; held in August, January and May.
- 2) by filling out the enrollment form found on our website, www.tauko.com

Questions: toimisto@tauco.com or 040 079 4621

The spots are filled in the order of enrollment.

Continuing the studies

You can ensure the place of study by paying a reservation fee of 90e. The invoice will be sent (by email) home at the end of the term, and the fee acts as a part of the term fee.

Cancelling of enrollment and ending of studies

After two "try out" lessons the student can decide whether they will continue the studies or cancel their enrollment by contacting the office. If the student decides to end the studies in the middle of the term, a refund may be considered for the remaining lessons starting from the day when the matter has been informed to the office.

A notice of ending the studies should always be sent as an email to the office – informing the teacher is not enough.

Fees

The invoice will be sent to the student's home address by mail or email. It is possible to pay the term fee in 1-4 installments, in which each installment is added 5e of processing costs.

The payment is to be completed at the latest on the marked due date. If you pay in installments you must take care to remember the due dates yourself and pay the installment using the same reference number in each one. All the installments and their information can be found from the first invoice, so keep it until the term fee is fully paid.

Always use the REFERENCE NUMBER when you pay.

We charge 5€ for sending out payment reminders. If the payments are transferred to the debt collection agency (perintätoimisto) the guardian will pay the debt charges as well as the delay charge. In cases of payment disturbance the fees from the past term must be paid completely before the start of a new term.

For other payment arrangements please contact the office:
toimisto@tauko.com / 040 079 4621

Lessons equipment

Bring with you to the class: note sheets, books, a folder for papers, and drum sticks; the amplifiers and cords are ready in the classrooms.

The teachers order the needed books, drum sticks, strings and picks directly to Tauko; you can buy them from your teachers with cash, please bring the exact amount!

Sharing of information

Our website, www.tauko.com, is your most important information source. We update the page regularly, so the latest information is always on our website.

Tauko-Tiedote (Tauko Info Letter) is available to read in September, November, February and April.

You can find more information on our website about instrument-specific curriculums and teaching in Tauko.

On social media @rytmimusiikkiopstotauko can be found on instagram, facebook and tiktok. Follow Tauko and you will get updates on events straight to your news feed!

Absences and their replacement

Inform of the student's absence to the teacher either by SMS or email. The teacher is not obligated to compensate the student's absences. However, at the end of each term there is a possibility of compensating for a possible absence through signing up for a substitute lesson by writing the name on the list which is attached to the classroom door.

A long term absence due to illness can make the student eligible for changes in payment, beginning from the day when the guardian has contacted the office about the matter.

The teacher will contact the guardian if the student has had two unexplained absences.

The teacher's absence

The teacher's absence will be informed to the student as soon as possible through SMS, in the event that we have not been able to find a substitute teacher.

A lesson not held will be compensated for during another date and time, or by extending the term with one week, in which case the lesson will be held on the same weekday, at the same time as usual.

Responsibility

The teachers' responsibility over the students is limited from the start of the lesson to the end of the lesson. The students are not insured via Tauko. Tauko does not hold itself responsible for items or belongings lost/left at our premises.

Music theory (muha)

In Olari and are included tuition fees. Mondays 19:15 (adults), Wednesdays 18:30 (middle school continuing), Thursdays 17:15 and 18:55 (beginners). The classes are 35-45 minutes and the teaching is in Finnish.

Other

Tauko holds the right to teacher and/or lesson changes. The teacher/Tauko may also do concert visits or organize workshops as part of the curriculum.

All together week

This week the general curriculum group teaching students come to class at the normal time. The class doors are open and we do things together; parents are welcome to attend!

All together week repeats every semester and it is part of Espoo's sustainable development program. In accordance with Tauko's social commitment, we promote the dimension of social sustainability. In this may we want to increase interaction between students, teachers and parents.

We want to increase community and to contribute to the development of social skills and the ability to empathy. And what more, in community activities the meaningful expression is taken into account.

The content of the week created together with the students. It can be playing board games, watching music videos and discussing them, making music or trying another instrument.

Band camp for 13-19 years old and band workshop for adults 17->

During the autumn and spring semesters, there are weekend camps that are part of the general studies (Friday 7pm-9pm and Saturday 11am-6pm). The idea is to get players of different instruments together to play music. During the weekend we rehearse songs that have been selected in advance. All instruments are welcome to join! Arrangements are made to suit the level of each player.

The price of the camp is 80€ including lunch on Saturday.

In cooperation:

