



2020-2021 AMICINI PROGRAM

The Amicini Program offers a variety of violin and cello classes ranging from our class for absolute beginners to those who are playing at approximately an RCM Grade 2-3 level. Classes will include skill development in solo and chamber group performance, establishing a technical foundation for cello or violin and note reading all while presented in an atmosphere of fun.

Our program includes 22 classes, from 4:15 to 5:15pm on Monday evenings. Classes are held at **Bethany Chapel of Calgary, 3333 Richardson Way SW. Classes start October 19, 2020.**

Recitals will be December 14, 2020 and April 26, 2021 at 5pm, at Bethany Chapel. Students will play both solo and chamber music pieces at each recital for which a pianist will be provided as part of the program fee. The accompaniment session will be one week prior to the recital.

Students are expected to come to each class with a solo piece to play for their peers, their chamber music parts learned and in possession of their provided Amicini folder, music and a pencil.

As a special group outing, we are very much hoping to be attending the Pro Musica family show "Classic Fairy Tales: Little Red Riding Hood and The Three Little Pigs" on January 31, 2021 at 1:00PM or 3:30PM. Two of the most classic fairy tales get a creative retelling with live music and the puppet wizardry of Green Fools Theatre. The cost of the ticket is built into the Amicini fee as students are expected to attend. There is a special rate for other/additional family members to attend of \$8 for children and \$12 per adult. Should this performance not take place we will find an alternate group outing later in the season.

Breval **4:15 - 5:15pm** Teacher – Andrea Case
(Cellists, RCM level Intro-2)

Mozart **4:15 - 5:15pm** Teacher – Barbara Smith
(Violinists, RCM level Intro-1)

Beethoven **4:15 - 5:15pm** Teacher - Diane Lane
(Violinists, RCM level 2-3)

Please contact us at amici.stringprogram@gmail.com if you have questions about class placement.

Annual Volunteer Deposit

Volunteers are required for events during the year. We count on each family volunteering at some time over the course of each calendar year (October 01-October 01). Events have included setting and clearing recital receptions, assisting at end of year events, assisting with lunches during summer camps, assisting with fund raising events, working at casinos, participating on the Amici Board. Additional opportunities often occur. Emails are sent out as volunteers are required. Volunteers are selected on a first-come basis.

Amici String Program requires a \$250 volunteer deposit from each family. Registration in the Amici Program assumes a commitment to fulfil volunteer requirement for the calendar year (October 01-October 01).

For 2020-2021, a cheque payable to Amici String Program Association of \$250, **postdated** September 30, 2021 is required. **(One deposit per family.)** This cheque can be submitted at any time before the program begins in the fall or on the first day of classes. Please **do not use e-transfer** to pay volunteer deposit.

A volunteer list will be maintained. Volunteer deposit cheques will be destroyed after September 30, 2021 to those fulfilling this requirement; all others will be deposited as a volunteer buyout.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration for the fall will include the entire 2020/2021 year. Please include the following:

- Completed Registration Form
- Total Registration Fee, postdated for October 01, 2020 (see *Note) or confirmation of e-transfer
- Volunteer Deposit cheque for \$250 postdated to September 30, 2021
- Completed Media Release Form
- All forms can be emailed to amici.stringprogram@gmail.com

***Note: for your convenience, cheques may either be for the full amount and postdated October 1, 2020 or may be divided evenly in three payments and postdated October 1, 2020, December 1, 2020, and February 1, 2021.**

Families can pay Amici via e-transfer (**full amount only**) by sending their online payment to treasurer.amicistring@gmail.com. Please note e-transfer confirmation number on registration form.

Registration, media release forms and confirmation of e-transfer may be emailed to amici.stringprogram@gmail.com if using e-transfer.

OR:

Please mail the application and media release forms to:

**Amici String Program
12 Sierra Vista Circle SW
Calgary, AB T3H 3A6**

Please make cheques payable to **Amici String Program Association**. The bank's service charge will be added to any NSF cheques returned to Amici.

Registration deadline: **October 01, 2020, payment required**

Applications will be processed in the order in which they arrive.

By registering in an Amici program, you are agreeing to abide by the Amici Covid-19 Protocols (attached).

For further inquiries please contact: amici.stringprogram@gmail.com

Amici String Program Association has a bursary program that is open to Amici String Program students showing financial need. Please contact amici.stringprogram@gmail.com to request an application form.

Amici String Program Covid-19 Policy

What Amici is doing to ensure each participant's safety.

We ensured that our facility is

- aligned with provincial guidelines for Stage 2 reopening
- Cleaning and disinfecting high touch areas (e.g. doors, washrooms, etc.) regularly
- Providing access to hand sanitizer and hand wash stations
- Having staff wear face coverings
- Limiting the number of people allowed in each room to support physical distancing
- Faculty will ensure participants are practicing physical distancing (2 metres or 6 feet apart) as much as possible
- Staff will conduct non-contact symptom screening of participants. Parents/guardians will be contacted immediately to arrange for pick up from camp should a child show signs of illness.

Health Screening:

Our staff will be conducting non-contact active symptom screening of everyone at the beginning of each session. Such health screening could include temperature checks and other symptom monitoring.

Cancellation Policy:

- Cancellations made within 7 days of Amici programs starting will be refunded less a \$50 processing fee.
- If the participant is showing any symptoms whatsoever, they are required to stay at home for that session. There will be no credits or refunds offered in this situation.
- Should Amici be required to cancel sessions due to any Covid-19 related instances, these sessions will be postponed. If that is not possible you will receive a pro-rated credit.
- Pro-rated credit issued to the purchaser's Amici account are valid for one calendar year. If you have any additional questions, please email amici.stringprogram@gmail.com

Other Policies:

We may add further requirements or procedures, including but not limited to information or guidance received from the Government of Alberta or Alberta Health Services.

Amici Program participant requirements.

- To stay home if showing any symptoms of illness whatsoever
- To complete health check upon arrival for each session
- To sanitize hands with sanitizer before entering and exiting a room.
- To wear a mask while participating in indoor activities
- To follow the instructor's instructions in regards to music stand and chair placement
- Not to share pencils, music, music stands or instruments
- To maintain social distancing both inside and outside
- Anyone showing symptoms will be asked to leave the activity immediately and self-isolate until they are able to get a ride home

If sufficient advance notice of absence due to illness is given it **may** be possible to be included in sessions virtually

It is recommended that each participant provide their own clean masks and sanitizer.

Participants must provide their own food and drink.

Failure to comply with these requirements could result in the participant being removed from the program.



AMICINI 2020-2021 REGISTRATION FORM

Student name _____

Date of birth _____ Instrument _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Home phone _____ Parent's mobile phone _____

Parent's email _____ Student's email _____

Address _____

City/ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Private teacher name _____

Teacher phone _____ Teacher email _____

Last piece completed _____

Currently working on _____

Would you be interested in carpooling with other Amici families? Yes/No
Please note your address and email address will be shared with other families wishing to participate

We require a regularly checked email address for timely program correspondence.

Course Selection (please check one)

Violins - Mozart Beethoven

Cellists - Breval

Program fee	Fall semester (9 classes)	\$231	_____
	Winter semester (13 classes)	\$334	_____
	Full Year	\$565	_____
	Donation		_____
	<i>(donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt)</i>		
	Total registration fee		_____
	E-transfer confirmation code:		_____



Media Release Form

Photographs and videos of students of The Amici String Program Association (“Amici”) are essential for promotional and/or historical purposes. Since Amici respects the privacy of its students, we request your consent to the use of these photos and videos.

What are you agreeing to? By signing this form, you agree to allow Amici to use photos or videos taken of you participating in approved Amici activities (the “Media”). Amici may use the Media for promoting or publicizing Amici, and for historical and archival purposes.

Who will own the Media? Amici will permanently own the Media and will have the copyright to the Media. By signing this form, you acknowledge Amici’s sole ownership of the copyright.

Where will Amici use the Media? Amici can use the Media anywhere in the world, using any technology (either current or developed in the future). Amici doesn’t have to use the Media.

What other rights does Amici have? Amici can use the Media alone, or may incorporate the Media in or with other materials. Amici may also provide the Media to media outlets for their unrestricted use, indefinitely. Amici does not have control of the Media once it is disseminated. Amici may freely assign or transfer the Media to other people or organizations.

What are Amici’s obligations? Amici will only use the Media for the purposes described on this form. Amici won’t use the Media for any other purpose without getting your permission first.

Where’s the legal mumbo-jumbo? Here it is: By signing this form, you agree that you will not bring (or consent to others bringing) any claim or action against Amici on the grounds that anything contained in the Media, or in the advertising and publicity used in connection with the Media, is defamatory, reflects adversely on you, or violates any other right whatsoever, including, without limitation, rights of privacy and publicity. You hereby release Amici, its directors, officers, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, actions causes of actions, suits, costs, expenses, liabilities and damages whatsoever that you may hereafter have against Amici in connection with the Media.

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Student’s signature _____ Witness _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Witness _____

Print name of student _____ Telephone number _____