



AMICINI STRING PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2024-2025

The Amicini Program offers violin and cello classes designed for absolute beginners to students at an RCM Grade 2-3 level. These classes emphasize developing solo and chamber group performance skills, establishing a strong technical base, and improving note reading abilities, all in an enjoyable learning atmosphere.

Our program includes 22 classes, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm on Monday evenings. Classes are held at Bethany Chapel of Calgary, 3333 Richardson Way SW (across from Mount Royal University).
Classes are from September 23, 2024 to April 14, 2025.

Recitals will be on December 09, 2024 and on April 14, 2025 at 5pm at Bethany Chapel. Each recital will feature students performing both solo and chamber music pieces, with a pianist included in the program fee. Practice sessions with accompaniment will take place the week prior to the recital during class time.

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.

Breval **4:30-5:30pm** Teacher – Andrea Case
(Cellists, RCM level Intro-2)

Mozart **4:30-5:30pm** Teacher – Sora Kim
(Violinists, RCM level Intro-1)

Beethoven **4:30-5:30pm** Teacher - Diane Lane
(Violinists, RCM level 2-3)

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

Annual Volunteer Bond

To maintain affordable registration fees and ensure the smooth operation of our program, we rely on each family to volunteer throughout the calendar year (from October 1st to September 30th). Volunteer opportunities include working at casinos, helping with recital receptions, supporting end-of-year events, aiding with summer camp lunches, assisting with fundraising initiatives, serving on the Amici Board, and other possible tasks. Volunteer requests are communicated via email on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Amici Strings Program requires **one \$250 volunteer bond cheque from each family**. Registration in the Amici Program assumes a commitment to fulfil volunteer requirements for the full calendar year (October 1st - September 30th).

A list of volunteer hours is maintained. Volunteer bond cheques will be destroyed after September 30th, 2025 for those fulfilling this requirement. Families that choose not to fulfill their volunteer commitment will have their cheques deposited as a non-volunteer buyout.

All families are encouraged to volunteer at various Amici-related events throughout the year.

Group Outing

As a special group outing, we will be attending the Pro Musica family show **“Tough Turkey in the Big City – A Feathered Tale”** on Sunday, May 04, 2025 – 1 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.

What happens when a turkey from the sticks meets a Park Avenue pigeon? With the feel of an old-time radio show, Tough Turkey in the Big City follows the comic blunders of Tom Turkey, who leaves the farm to try his luck in the big city. There’s a close call with a menacing chef, a tussle at the Turkey Club, a brief romance with a pigeon, and a happy mix-up at the Thanksgiving Day parade. An exciting 50-minute interactive afternoon of storytelling, music and puppetry with Narrator Samantha Whelan Kotkas; Composer Bruce Adolphe; Puppeteer Dean Bareham and Conductor Claude Lapalme. Recommended for children aged 5 to 12 but created with the entire family in mind. Come early for activities one hour before each show, stay after for a free cookie reception and meet the performers. There is a special rate for Amicini students and family members to attend. More information will be sent closer to the date.

Masking

Amici is a mask-friendly environment. Regardless of any individual’s choice, all musicians will be treated with kindness and respect.

Student Bursary

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.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Payment required by September 1st, 2024,
Late registrations will be accepted at the discretion of the Artistic Director.**

Applications will be processed in the order in which they arrive.
For further inquiries please contact: amici.stringprogram@gmail.com



AMICINI REGISTRATION FORM 2024-2025

Student Information

Student name _____
Date of birth _____ Instrument _____
Address _____ City _____ Postal Code _____
Parent name/s _____
Home phone _____ Cell phone _____
Parent email address* _____ Student email _____
Private teacher _____
Teacher's email and phone _____
Last piece completed _____
Currently working on _____

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

Member Agreement (please check all)

By registering with the Amici String Program:

- You agree to abide by the rules and guidelines set out in the Amici Handbook.
- You agree to abide by the policies outlined in the Amici String Program Policies document.
- You agree to pay the required fees for all classes, master classes, and recitals that students are registered for. Registration is not considered complete until payment is submitted.
- You are responsible for insurance on student instruments.
- You agree that the Amici String Program may use images and recordings of students taken during Amici String Program events.
- You acknowledge that registration in the Amici String Program entails a volunteer commitment from each family and you agree to provide a post-dated \$250 volunteer bond cheque at the first class.

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.

Course Selection (please check one)

- Violins - Mozart (RCM Intro - level 1) Beethoven (RCM level 2-3)
- Cellists - Breval (RCM Intro - level 2)

Program fee Please register by September 1st, 2024 \$575 _____

Donation _____
(donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt)

Total registration fee _____

E-transfer confirmation code: _____

**** When using e-transfer for payment, to ensure that your funds are applied correctly you MUST note your child's name and the program being registered for in the message box. ****

I agree to using an electronic signature.

Print Name

Signature

Date

REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

- Completed Registration Form
- Registration Fee, paid either by e-transfer (preferred) or cheque
- Volunteer Bond cheque for \$250 (one per family) postdated September 30th, 2025

PAYMENT OF FEES and submission of volunteer bond cheques

Payment of fees via e-transfer (preferred method): Please send Interac electronic transfer for registration fees to treasurer.amicistring@gmail.com. Automatic deposit is set up, no password is needed. Please include the e-transfer confirmation number on the registration form. The name of the program being registered for, and student's name(s) should be noted in the e-transfer message section.

Payment of fees via cheque: For your convenience, cheques for registration fee payment may either be for the full amount postdated September 1st, 2024 *or* cheques may be divided evenly in three payments postdated September 1st, 2024, November 1st, 2024, and February 1st, 2025. Please make cheques payable to Amici String Program Association. A bank service charge will be added to any NSF cheques returned to Amici.

Volunteer bond cheques may be either mailed (please see address below) or hand delivered on the first day of classes. Please make cheques payable to **Amici String Program Association**. Postdate the cheques to September 30th, **2025**.

Do not use e-transfer to pay the volunteer deposit.

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

OR

Mail the registration form, chamber/masterclass cheques and/or volunteer bond cheques to:

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

REFUND POLICY

In recognition of the impact on other participants of the program, a penalty for withdrawal from the program after the registration deadline of September 1st, 2024 will be in effect:

1. Withdrawals from Amici String Program before September 1st will receive a full refund
2. Withdrawals from September 2nd – 15th will be subject to a 50% penalty
3. After September 15th, no refund will be provided

Reimbursement of program fees after September 15th with special circumstances may be considered at the discretion of the Board.

For further information, please refer to the Amici Handbook and Policies online.