



Summer Studies for Music Professionals A Letter to Our Students Summer 2012

Dear Music Educator,

In the past few years, computer technology has influenced every aspect of our lives. In the field of music education, this new array of tools at our disposal has created a virtual revolution. From the electronic keyboard to the most sophisticated programs for music notation and multimedia development, these technological advancements have introduced new opportunities to share music with our students. Classroom teachers can enhance music appreciation through hands-on participation. More than simply listening to music, students are now enabled to easily create music. A broad palette of simple-to-use sounds and rhythms are at their disposal.

This is a mixed blessing, for with technology comes the need for understanding, the need to develop skills, and the need for personal growth. In-service teachers are improving their teaching skills at educational sites throughout the country. Summer studies have become necessary for teachers as they confront the new realities of their profession.

You are one of these educators. Your willingness to learn, devote your time and talent in the pursuit of knowledge, and acquire the new wisdom of technology, sets you apart from your colleagues. By enrolling in this course, designed and presented by Technology for Music Education (TI:ME) associates, you have taken a step toward certification in music technology. We urge you to become a member of TI:ME. We encourage you to join other teachers who have taken a step toward the future of music education. Read the material in this folder. Begin to immerse yourself in the possibilities of using the new tools of technology to bring the joy of music to your students.

I encourage you to visit our web site at <http://www.ti-me.org> where you can:

- Learn how other music educators are using technology in their teaching; and
- Become a member of TI:ME (<http://www.ti-me.org>)

You can create a free TI:ME membership for the summer by visiting our website, choosing Summer TI:ME Trial Student Membership, then choosing Authorize.net or PayPal for processing your membership. Before you arrive at the page to enter actual payment info, simply enter the code time4summer and hit Apply Coupon, and your membership will begin immediately as you bypass the payment system with that code. The membership is renewal on Oct 1st, and which point you'll be able to choose how to pay if you want to continue with us. Thank you for enrolling in a TI:ME sponsored course.

Best regards,

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