



## Camp Letter to Families 2020

Dear Calabrese Performing Arts Families,

We have been doing a great deal of brainstorming, discussing, and researching ways to carry out our singing camps in this current situation of global pandemic. We have learned that unfortunately, singing is one of the best ways to share airborne illnesses like COVID-19. We still want to create a fun and safe space for the children to express themselves through music. In order to serve our singers in the safest way, we have made the difficult decision to move our programs online for this summer. This was not an easy decision to come to. So many thoughts and feelings surface and among the strongest is sadness that we will not be able to sing together in person. When we really started thinking about how we can serve these amazing children, the sadness began to subside, making way for the new excitement we have about the things we can do online that we haven't done in person!

We urge you to use the money you have spent with us on summer camp as a credit and to apply it to one or more of the following programs. If you are enduring financial hardship, please reach out to us so we can figure out the best way to move forward.

Please choose from the following options and email or call us to set up the use of your credit and begin scheduling!

### **Private Lessons \$30/30 Minute Lesson**

This summer we are offering weekly, twice a week, and week-long intensive one-on-one lessons in a variety of performing arts areas. Please choose from the list below to use your camp credit with one on one lessons. You may use your credit for more than one instrument/lesson area.

Lessons are \$30/30 minutes of individualized instruction.

Voice Lessons/ Vocal Coaching - any age!

Piano (age 4 - Adult)

Songwriting - Lyric writing, melodies, accompaniment on Piano, Guitar, Ukulele or in Garage Band on iPad

Music Theory

Acting Coaching

Audition prep - Acting &/or Singing

Ukulele

Guitar

Recorder

Flute

## PreSchool Songs and Stories

- this can be one-on-one or in a Zoom or Google Chat with all of your young friends! Great for birthday parties, virtual get-togethers and just plain old musical fun!

## **Build and Play Ukulele Camp in a Box \$100**

- This would be a virtual camp in that each day for a week we would meet on Zoom to go through the different steps of designing, painting, assembling, stringing, tuning and learning to play the instrument.
- Once the Ukulele is assembled, the student would receive one private online lesson with the teacher via zoom or an in-person lesson where assembly questions can be addressed. (this can happen any time during the week or in the week after the week of zoom lessons)
- Additional lessons can be added at \$30/ half hour lesson

The box sent home would include the following.

-Ukulele building kit - some adult help may be required.

-Ukulele Design Template (draw your design first)

-Paints & Brushes

-Ukulele Tuner

-Ukulele String winder

-Ukulele Picks

-Ukulele Book or Packet

## **Virtual Choir Camp \$60**

Each week offered will have a specific age group and song that will be taught via group Zoom lessons culminating in the creation of a Virtual Choir Video!. Singers will learn about the process of creating the audio & video elements and how it all comes together. Singers will record their own audio and video which will be compiled into a professional Virtual Choir video to be premiered on the Calabrese Performing Arts YouTube and social media accounts. This video is a fantastic keepsake for all who have been a part of Virtual Choirs. A favorite activity of your directors during quarantine!

## **Songwriting Workshop with Music Video \$85**

In this week-long workshop, students work together via Zoom to write a song, record audio & video and create a music video.

## **Project Quarantine-The Musical (fee TBD)**

High school students will work together through online platforms to write a quarantine themed musical and perform it "live" digitally.

This will be an ongoing project workshop with Theatre Director, Becca Calabrese.

Those interested should email [CalabreseArts@gmail.com](mailto:CalabreseArts@gmail.com) and a beginning date will be decided.

## **Future Programs through Calabrese Performing Arts**

If you do not see a program you want but plan on utilizing our programs during the school year or for camp in 2021, we will hold your credit and apply it to your next program!

**You may also donate your credit to support Calabrese Performing Arts during the Covid-19 crisis.**

Please understand that it breaks our hearts to not be able to see your amazing young performers in person this summer. We believe this is the right choice for us and we sincerely hope to still make music with your children this summer, just in a different way.

Please respond to this email with how we can best apply your summer camp credit. We will solidify dates of programs once we hear from you and work out your summer needs together. Please feel free to call, text or email with any questions. We will open up programs to those who have not yet registered on June 15th. We hope to hear from you soon.

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