





June Newsletter



### **Welcome New Starts**

Aviah Piano
Blake Piano
Cali Piano
Cassia Piano
Cruz Piano
Daira Voice
Davin Piano

Joe Drums
Kendra Voice
Liz Voice
Nyla Drums
Olivia Voice
Rayden Flute
Thanila Piano

Missed a lesson? Sign up for a workshop! Workshops are available on Saturdays. They are done in a group format and are an hour long. Contact the Admin Office to signup!

June 1, 2024 All Instruments 10:30 - 11:30am June 1, 2024
All Instruments
12:00 - 1:00pm

June 8, 2024
All Instruments
10:30 - 11:30am

June 15, 2024 Voice 10:00 - 11:30am

June 29, 2024 All Instruments 10:30 - 11:30am





# Teacher of the Month David Vasquez, Sr.

The Natomas School of Music welcomes new teacher. David Vasquez, Sr. David was born and raised in San Francisco. He has been playing music since the age of 10. He earned his B.S. from Southern Illinois University, with an emphasis on training and education. After a stint in the Navy, David traveled the world and settled in Sacramento, where he has been playing with various jazz and Latin bands. He studied voice under Pedro Betancourt, a graduate of the San Francisco Conservatory of Art. David is always looking for ways to improve and takes pride in assisting others in achieving their music goals.



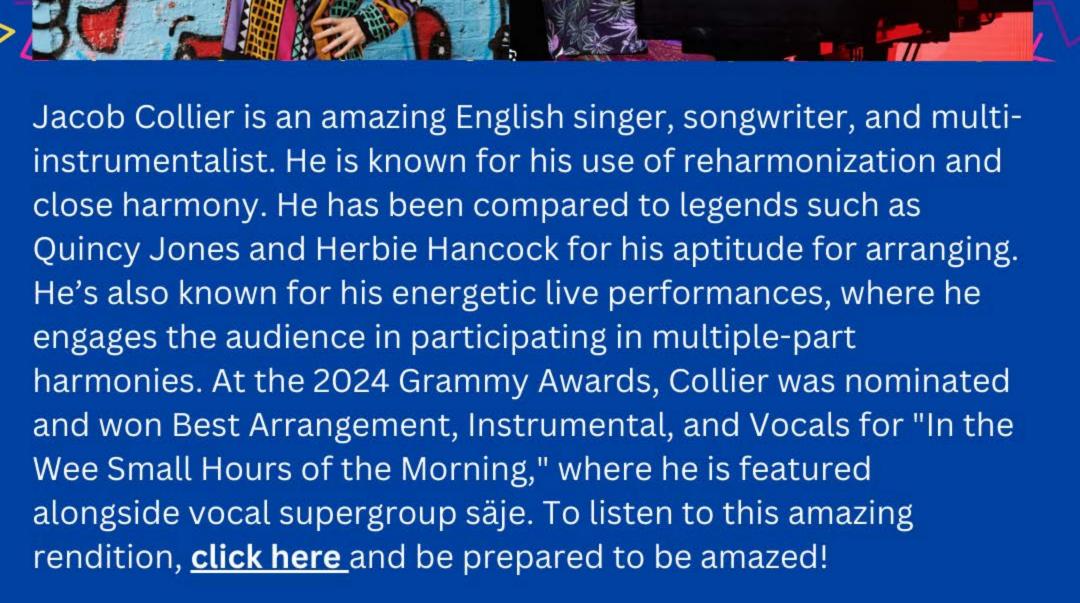


#### Student of the Month Marisa

Marisa was born and raised here in Sacramento. She has been taking voice lessons with Mr. Perera since January 2024. She works as an assistant at the First Baptist Church of Elverta and is also part of the worship team, where she utilizes her vocal skills.

When she's not participating in her activities at church, she enjoys riding her bike, writing, and playing her box drum. Another one of her favorite pastimes is working in her garden.

#### Artist of the Month Jacob Collier



# Congratulations to the following MLS Recipients!

<u>Apprentice</u> <u>Rockstar</u>

Natalie Voice Elika Violin Marshall Cello

**Songbird** 

Emily Flute <u>Allegro</u>

Gavin Guitar Aadarsha Ukulele Hariam Piano Alice Piano

Pavanad Drums

<u>Maestro</u> <u>Musician</u> Donovan Drums

Levi Violin

Elena Clarinet <u>Master</u>

Marshall Cello Michael Guitar

Elika Violin Julia Piano

Superstar Sydney Ukulele

#### 2024 Graduates

Congratulations to Natomas School of Music students graduating from 8th grade and high school this year!



## Ensemble Blog



Best Age to Start Music Lessons

Two schools of thought collide! Some swear by an early start, building confidence, discipline, and quantitative reasoning from an early age. For instructors like Paula Robinson from The Music Box, starting with younger ages offers the opportunity to "teach music appreciation and counting rather than excelling at the instrument." Click here to continue reading . . .

On January 1, 1863, President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation. Unfortunately, it took more than 2 years for that news to reach enslaved African Americans in Galveston, Texas. On June 19, 1865, we honored and celebrated the fact that all black Americans became free.





