



November Newsletter



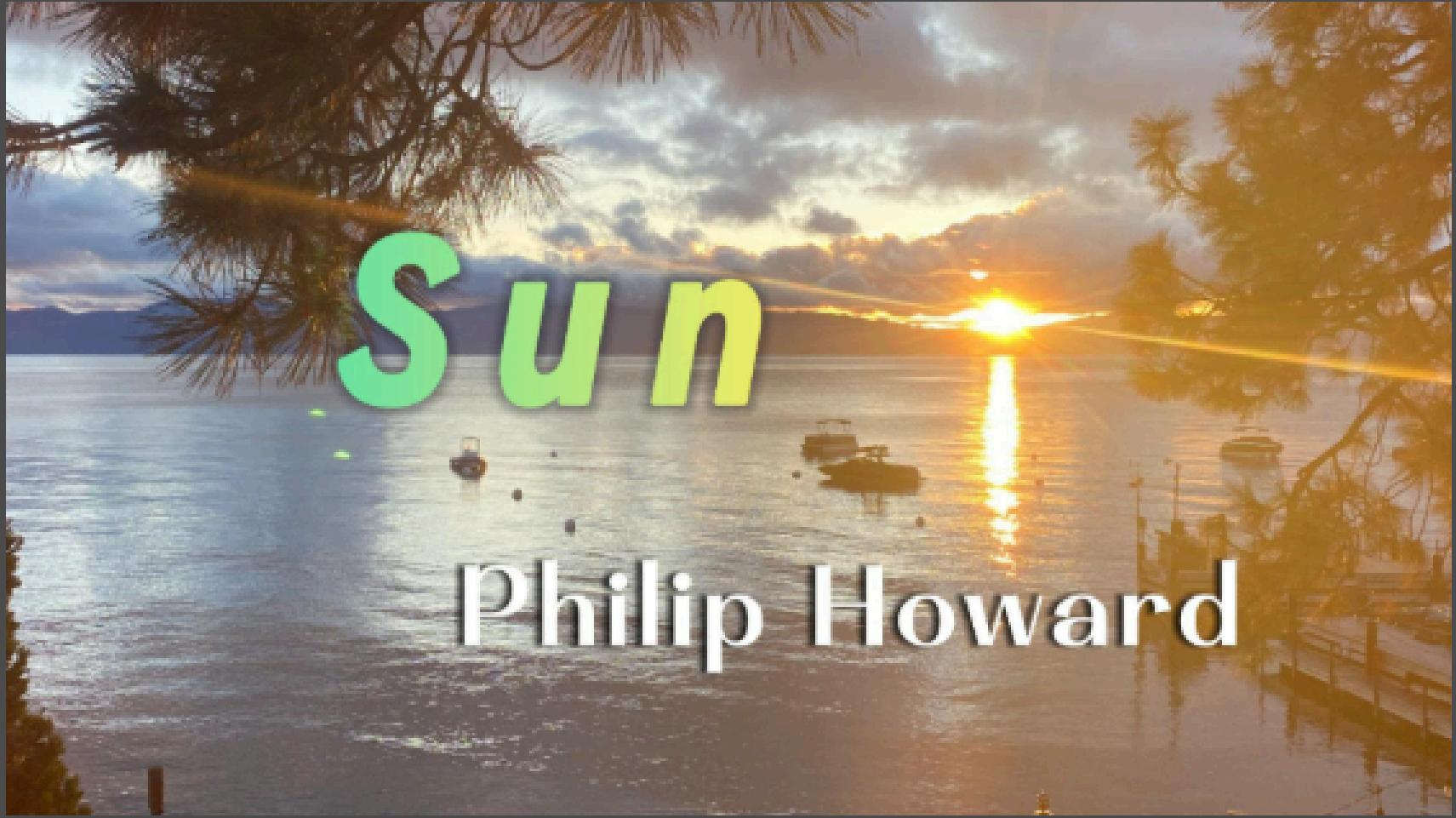
Welcome New Students

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| Aava | Piano |
| Alejandro | Guitar |
| Alex | Piano |
| Christian | Guitar |
| Daniel | Piano |
| Eleanor | Violin |
| Franklin | Voice |
| Gary | Piano |

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|-----------------|---------------|
| Gavin | Piano |
| Hilary | Drums |
| Isaac | Drums |
| Kailani | Guitar |
| Madeline | Violin |
| Miya | Voice |
| Tod | Piano |

The Natomas School of Music is proud to share a composition written and performed by our very own teacher Mr. Philip Howard!

[Click here to listen](#)



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Philip Howard

And the winner of the
Halloween Costume Contest is
Patrick!





Natomas School of Music
will be closed on
Saturday, November 15
Fall Recital
and
Wednesday – November 26
thru
Friday – November 28th
Thanksgiving



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT



Luke Martin

Luke began his teaching career in 2004 and joined NSM in 2012. He is a guitarist, and singer/songwriter for the rock bands Ostrich Theory and Ear Kitty , as well as a hired gun on guitar for R&B/top 40 acts like Key of C and Mix n' it Up.

His musical journey began in elementary school and continued through college with his roots focused on classical and jazz.

He LOVES music theory and insists on the importance of solid rhythm skills through use of a metronome. His experience in all aspects of music, provides him with the tools to assist his students in reaching their musical goals, whatever they may be!



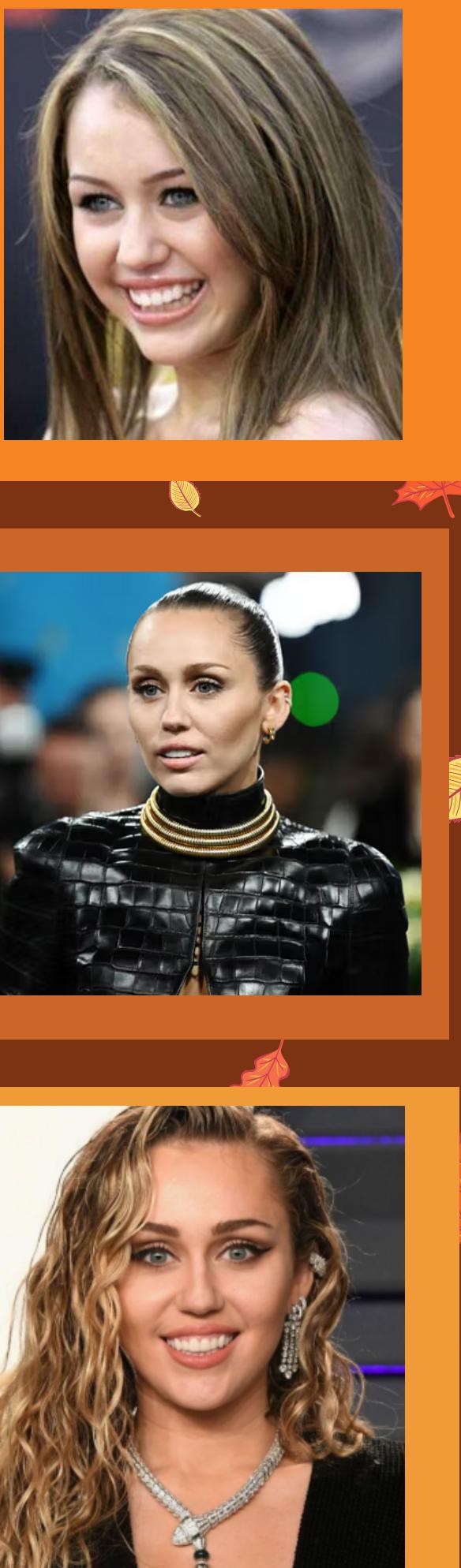
NOVEMBER STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Derek

Derek is 10 years old, and has been taking piano lessons at the Natomas School of Music since 2024.

Although he was diagnosed with autism at the age of five, that has not impeded his ability to learn and play the piano. In addition to taking piano lessons, he is also a accomplished artist who has already held two art exhibitions – one in Benicia and another in Sacramento.





Artist of the Month

Miley Cyrus

Miley Cyrus is an American singer, songwriter, and actor she was born Destiny Hope Cyrus in Franklin, Tennessee, on November 23, 1992. She rose to fame while starring in the Disney Channel show *Hannah Montana* (2006–2011), becoming a teen idol before transitioning to a successful solo music career. Beyond her entertainment work, she is also known for her philanthropic efforts through the Happy Hippie Foundation. [Click here](#) to hear one of her many hits “Flowers”

November Workshops

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



**November 1, 2025
Mixed Instrument
10:30 - 11:30 AM**

**November 8, 2025
Voice Workshop
10:00 - 11:30 AM**

**November 22, 2025
Mixed Instrument
10:30 - 11:30 AM**

**November 29, 2025
Mixed Instrument
10:30 - 11:30 AM**



September MLS Recipients

Apprentice

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| Benny | Piano |
| Janice | Piano |
| Joshua | Guitar |
| Kamera | Guitar |
| Miya | Voice |
| Nora | Philip |
| Richard | Cello |

Songbird

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| Aarya | Piano |
| Alexa | Voice |
| Atticus | Guitar |
| Bennett | Guitar |
| Ciara | Voice |
| Eva | Piano |
| Liam | Piano |
| Miya | Guitar |
| Rey | Guitar |
| Thalia | Piano |
| Tora | Voice |

Musician

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| Derek | Piano |
| Olivia | Voice |
| Peyton | Trombone |

Rockstar

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| Ahmani | Piano |
| Cassia | Piano |
| Elizabeth | Drums |
| Gabriela | Voice |
| Hailey | Guitar |
| Isabella | Piano |
| Kira | Piano |
| Raymond | Drums |
| Sierra | Voice |
| Simon | Piano |
| Sinclaire | Voice |

Allegro

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| Faraday | Ukulele |
| Pavanaj | Drums |
| Swapnil | Piano |
| Yaretzi | Piano |

Vivace

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| Graham | Piano |
| Jade | Cello |
| Julia | Voice |
| Nathan | Piano |
| Pavanaj | Piano |
| Tasha | Piano |

Prodigy

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| Joanna | Violin |
| Ivan | Piano |
| Keira | Cello |
| Maya | Piano |
| Noor | Voice |
| Vania | Voice |

Maestro

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| Devin | Piano |
| Ioan | Piano |

Master

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| Devin | Piano |
| Jinal | Violin |
| Kennedy | Piano |

Superior

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| Naaz | Piano |
| Raymundo | Piano |

Superstar

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| Jaxmine | Voice |
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We'd be so thankful if you
left us a review just
click here!



Ensemble Schools Blog



Benefits of Playing the Piano

After lots of research on different instruments to learn, you've decided that piano is the one for you. Piano is a versatile and accessible instrument, as well as a great building block to learning music overall. [Click here](#) to learn more

The Natomas School of Music would like to thank all who participated in our Halloween Costume Contest! They were all amazing which made it so difficult to choose a winner!



