

PIANO LESSONS AVAILABLE IN YOUR HOME

Jaime Garcia Bolao began studying piano at 3 years old, and while he doesn't remember the lessons, he does remember loving it. Like most children who study piano, or any instrument, from an early age, the decision was his parents'. For him, those early lessons turned into a lifetime of learning—much as it does for many who begin musical study early. "Studying any musical instrument is important to development," Garcia Bolao, piano instructor and owner of KeyNotes Piano Studio, said.

Music education has been proved to be instrumental to intellectual development in study after study. A Chinese study showed permanent improvements in learning ability in students who learned to read and play music, an MIT study showed increased brain size in musicians as compared to intellectuals with no musical training. In the mid 90s, when Garcia Bolao was beginning his endeavors as a piano teacher, Noah Adams, then co-host of NPR's All Things Considered, began piano as an adult, and talked about it on the show. Among the studies he cited, one showed that brains of adults learning a musical instrument actually grew.

"Piano teaches concentration, perseverance, patience, coordination and study skills," Garcia Bolao said. And while all musical education is good for young minds (and adult ones), the piano has a special place in Garcia Bolao's heart—not only because it is his primary instrument. "Piano is accessible to anybody," Garcia Bolao said. "It's difficult for a 3 year old to hold a flute or play a violin or wind instrument. The same holds for an 80 year old. Piano also incorporates polyphonic music. Because it spans two clefs, one learns to read music more fully from it."

The simplicity of the keyboard layout and versatility of sound were also among Garcia Bolao's reasons for preferring it. Yet, while he remains a lifelong student and instructor of piano, Garcia Bolao notes that all musicians go through ups and downs in their relationships with their instruments.

"When I was 12 or 13 I started getting tired of it and asked my parents to quit," Garcia Bolao said.

His parents said he could, only if he took up another instrument. He decided to stick to it and ended up studying music pedagogy at FSU. Having been discouraged by teachers who had gone into teaching as a "fall back," he wanted to become the antithesis—a good teacher who chose teaching out of a love for it.

His students currently range in age from 4 to 88, but Garcia Bolao sees each as an individual who can teach him—about his instrument and vocation of choice. He teaches students in their homes, individually, rather than have them come to him.

"Learning in one's own home allows one to be in an environment one can control," Garcia Bolao said. It cuts down on distractions from other students, and allows the student to study on the instrument he or she practices on. It helps that parents appreciate the convenience of not having more driving to do themselves.

KeyNotes Piano Studio is currently enrolling students and can be reached at 850-322-8746 or online at www.keynotespianostudio.com.

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ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE ACTIONS FOR APRIL '10

Date	Unit	Project	Status
4/7/2010	4	Replace Roof	Approved
	8	Repaint House	Approved
	10	Repaint Home/Update Landscaping	Approved
	17	Cover/Enclose 12 x 35 of patio	Approved
		Cover 12 x 12 of patio for porch	
		Add dormers & columns to front	
		Replace Roof	
4/14/2010	35	Remove Tree on Assn Property	Denied
	39	Install Rear Privacy Fencing	Approved
	3	Replace Roof/Shutters/Paint trim	Approved
	4	Replace roof	Approved
	11	Install Deck with Stairs	Approved
4/21/2010	28	Replace Roof	Approved
	11	Replace Roof/Partial screening deck	Approved
	32	Home Addition/Repaint Trim	Approved
4/28/2010	28	Install 3' wood fencing	Approved
	41	Install Privacy Fencing	Approved
	17	Install double gate fence	Approved
	54	Replace roof	Approved
	51	Repaint Trim/Replace Gutters	Approved
	14	Reinstall garage door	Approved

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