

# Quarter Notes



## Welcome to 2018 at FMAA

We are off to a great start here at Fresno Music Academy & Arts and we have you to thank for it.

The month of January saw 39 new students start here at FMAA. That's a record month for us and it's what makes us the place in Fresno to take music lessons.

In the past few months we have added to our music instruction staff. Suzaan Botha has joined us and is teaching violin, viola, fiddle & piano. We have two new drum instructors, Dave Hernandez and Ryan Caldwell, bringing our total number of drum teachers to four. New to our voice teaching staff is Sarah Sherwood. These additions open up more additional times for lessons each week. Call 559-222-7464 to find out their availability and schedule your next lesson.



**Suzaan Botha**  
Teaching violin, viola, fiddle and piano.



**Sarah Sherwood**  
Teaching vocal technique

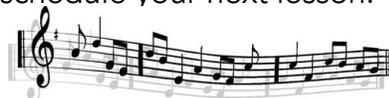


**David Hernandez**  
Teaching drums and percussion



**Ryan Caldwell**  
Teaching drums and percussion

## Spring Referral Contest



When you refer a friend we will give you a \$20.00 gift card, your friend gets a \$10.00 gift card **and** you get enrolled in our Spring drawing that this year will give you 4 tickets to see Momma Mia and have dinner at Roger Rocka's Music Theater. That's a night out worth \$250.00. Pick up a referral form at your next lesson & send us someone you know who would like lessons too! The winner will be announced at the Spring Showcase.

### Showcase

APRIL 21

It's showcase time!  
Sign-up now.  
Registration ends on  
APRIL 7. You must sign  
up before then!

### Lion King Kids

LION KING KIDS

March 16th, 17th & 24  
Come see this great  
show with these great  
young actors &  
actresses

### Spring Break

MARCH 26-31

Lessons resume on  
April 2nd. Have a great  
spring break! Practice  
while your away.

**Important dates coming up! See the year calendar enclosed.**



## "Hearts On Fire, Rock N' Roll Choir " has two scholarships to give away.

### Summer Camps are coming: Musical Theater & Beatle Mania

We will be registering for two summers camps that will start in **June**. Our first will be a musical theater workshop. For 5 days, kids will learn popular theater songs, dance, staging and more, ending in a Friday showcase that's sure to please family and friends.

**It was 20 years ago today that Sergeant Pepper taught the band to play...** okay, it was 3 years ago when we last ran this camp and now it's back. Popular for older kids and teens this one brings back all of our old Beatles favorites making fans of a new generation. Call us and get your child enrolled. Enrollment is limited.

HOF has been singing together now for 5 years. After our last, successful show at the First Congregational Church in November, we raised enough money to grant two scholarships to two students. How do you apply? Either pick-up a form from our front desk or visit our website, [www.fresnomusicacademy.com](http://www.fresnomusicacademy.com), click on the HOF link and download the application. All



### SHOWS, PARTIES & EVENTS 2018

**ROGUE Festival 2018** March 1-11  
**LION KING** runs March 16, 17 & 24  
**Cardiac Café Show Night** March 23  
**SPRING BREAK** March 26-31 classes resume April 2  
**Spring Showcases** April 21  
**SPRING ViSTA SHOW** May 4-6, 11-13  
**Summer Camp #1** June 11-15  
**Summer Camp #2** June 18-22  
**Front a Band Fantasy Camp** June 19th-23  
**Cardiac Café Party** - Summer Gig June 29  
**Hearts on Fire** Return August 9th, 2018  
**Fall Showcases** September 15th  
**FALL ViSTA Show** Sept 7-9, 14-16

**Cardiac Café Night** Sept 28th  
**Cardiac Café Night/Party** Dec 7th -  
**Holiday Showcases** December 15th  
**Holiday Cabaret Night** December 8th

#### Studio Closings 2018

**Easter Break** March 26th-April 1, 2018  
**Thanksgiving Break** Nov. 19-25, 2018  
**July 4th, 2018**  
**Teacher Summer 1 Week Vacations** TBA 2018  
**Christmas Break** December 23, 2018 to Jan 6th, 2019  
**Classes resume Jan 7th, 2019**

For more complete information about the 2018 year, visit us online: [www.fresnomusicacademy.com](http://www.fresnomusicacademy.com)  
Schedule is subject to change.

### IN 2017, WE WERE VOTED THE BEST MUSIC SCHOOL IN FRESNO. HELP US WIN 2018!

We have you to thank for that. Our goal and mission is insure that every student is given the absolute best instruction so that they can become the musician they want to be. Everyday we work to make sure that you keep getting the most from your musical learning experience: the best teachers that Fresno has to offer, an office staff that makes sure your journey is moving forward, the Music Ladder System we use to recognize advancement with students (we are the only music school in Fresno doing this), our easy group make-ups, and providing substitutes when needed so that you never miss a lesson, three showcases a year, summer camps, children's theater, and much much more.

We are asking that you take a moment to complete the ballot that will again recognize us as the best music school in Fresno. Use the enclosed form and return it to our office, or mail it to us, or use this easy download (<http://www.ccparent.com/wp-content/uploads/2018-Readers-Choice-Award-Ballot.pdf>) and print one for yourself, or stop by FMAA and pick one up at the front counter. All ballots must be in no later than March 31, 2018.





February 2018

**Hi, we would like to ask you to you do us a favor?**

Would you take a minute to write a short note to a friend or family member who you think would want to have the same great musical learning experience that you are? I know that "mailing" a letter is old school, but, people like getting a card in the mail, especially from a family member or friend.

Now get this, if they sign up for at least 1 month, I'll give you a \$20.00 gift card to the great coffee shop next door, High-Top Cafe, or Starbucks, or Amazon.

Pick up a referral card from FMAA on your next lesson and tell your friend how much you are liking lessons here at Fresno Music Academy & Arts, enclose the reply-card and drop it in the mail. It's already got postage on it. If your friend signs up, we'll give them a \$10.00 gift card to High-Top or Starbucks.

That's not all. With every person that you bring in, we will put your name in for a drawing to be held after the Spring Showcase, April 21. For every new student your refer, you get enrolled in our Spring drawing that this year will give you four tickets to see Momma Mia and have dinner at Roger Rocka's Music Theater. That's a night out worth \$250.00. enjoy dinner -on us- to some lucky person, it could be you.

Thanks for making Fresno Music Academy & Arts the place to learn music in Fresno. We are proud to help you become the musician you want to be.

**Lastly,**

In 2017 we were voted the best Music School in Fresno and we'd like to do it again for **2018**. Enclosed you'll find the ballot for this years "Best Of" from Parent Magazine. Please complete it with Fresno Music Academy & Arts under **Childrens Music Classes** & either mail it to us, drop it by the shop or mail to the address on the ballot.

Thank you so much,

John Alden & Debi Ruud

\*Please note, to qualify, a new student has to enroll for a minimum of one month to qualify. You are eligible to enter as many times as you like. There is no cash value.

# 14th Annual Central California Parent Readers' Choice Award Ballot



We want to hear from you! You know what you like and where to go with your kids in the Central Valley. It's your chance to share with other local families!

We'll honor the Central Valley's most family-friendly establishments with our Fourteenth Annual Readers' Choice Awards in an upcoming issue. So, tell us your favorite destinations that truly deserve to be noticed. Once you complete and send in your ballot, you're eligible for our free random drawing to win a fun pack of DVDs!

**Please complete all items that apply to your family. For ballots to count, at least 20 categories must be filled out. Only fully filled-out surveys are eligible for the drawing.**

Send your completed ballot by March 31, 2018 to: *Central California Parent Magazine*, 7638 N. Ingram, Suite #101, Fresno, CA 93711. **Only one entry per family please.** Owners and employees of *Central California Parent Magazine* advertisers and *Central California Parent Magazine* are ineligible.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

(Optional) Sign me up for the Family E-Newsletter! Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Family Favorite Categories in the Central Valley

*Please provide exact name for each choice.*

**Birthday Party Entertainer:**

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**Children's Museum:**

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**Family Photographer:**

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**Birthday Party Place:**

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**Children's Music Classes:**

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**Family Pizza Place:**

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**Birthing Center & Hospital:**

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**Children's Preschool/Childcare Center:**

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**Family Water Park:**

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**Children's Art Classes:**

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**Children's Swimming School:**

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**Indoor Playspace:**

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**Children's Clothing Store:**

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**Children's Tutoring Center:**

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**Orthodontist:**

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**Children's Dance Studio:**

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**Entertainment Center:**

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**Pediatric Dentist:**

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**Children's Gym:**

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**Family-Friendly Athletic Center:**

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**Pediatrician:**

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**Children's Haircuts:**

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**Family-Friendly Restaurant:**

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**Place to See Animals:**

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**Children's Live Theater:**

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**Family-Friendly Shopping Center:**

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**Private School:**

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**Children's Martial Arts Studio:**

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**Family-Friendly Treat Place:**

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**Take-Out Food Spot:**

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