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THE TEACHER

William graduated from the University of Liverpool with a BA(Hons) Music degree & also has a piano teaching diploma. William offers lessons for beginners & experienced players & currently tutors 40 students. Lesson times can be flexible to fit around work & family commitments. All piano lessons are 1-to-1 & students are given a clear structured approach tailored to their needs. Lessons take place in a music studio in Oxton, Wirral.

THE PIANO LESSONS

Emphasis is placed on enjoyment & building confidence in your playing. This is done by focusing on reading ability, listening skills & finger technique; music theory is taught in conjunction with this. Students are encouraged to study a wide ranging repertoire encompassing the many different traditions of piano performance from Classical, Jazz & Popular music.

ADULT STUDENTS

Every adult's reasons for wanting to learn the piano are unique; that's why William designs a learning plan that is individual to each student, fitting in around your musical aspirations, ability & experience. For adults who have not had lessons previously William will work with you through a preparatory course, teaching you all the basics of how to play the piano. After the first lesson you will leave being able to read & perform a couple of simple pieces. If you have had piano lessons previously we will work towards whatever your goal is.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Many of William's students study or work in jobs where knowledge of how to play the piano is beneficial. People who have benefited from piano lessons with William include piano tutors, music undergraduates, actors, singing teachers, music

~~producers, musical directors, school teachers and DJs.~~
~~CHILD & TEENAGE STUDENTS~~
Parents are encouraged to sit in on piano lessons & there is a comfortable seating

area from which to observe the lessons. William has passed the NSPCC course 'Child Protection Awareness in Music' and is DBS checked. Support is also offered to students wanting extra tuition who are studying towards their school music

exams.MUSIC EXAMS

William's students achieve excellent results in music exams. Exams are not everyone's goal and there is no pressure to take this formal route. Students have a 100% pass record with 48% passing with distinction (against a national average of 17%). Previous students of William's have gone on to study music at the Royal

Schools of Music and LIPA.FAQs

"How old do I have to be?"

Students are accepted from 8. There is no upper limit & the oldest student is

84."Can anyone take piano lessons?"

Yes. There are no special requirements to learning piano."How often do I need to attend my piano lessons?"

Weekly & fortnightly lessons are offered to fit in around your schedule."When are piano lessons available?"

Monday to Friday, 9am-8pm."Do I need to practise between lessons?"

Yes. A minimum of four 20-minute practice sessions between lessons is

recommended, though if you can manage more than this you will gain more from each lesson."How long are lessons?"

I would recommend 30 minute piano lessons for children under 12, 45 minute

lessons for teenagers and adult beginners & 60 minutes lessons for intermediate

and advanced students."Do I have to learn to read music?"

Yes. Being able to read music allows you to participate in a far wider range of styles and experiences. Students will also be encouraged to learn to play by ear &

improvise."How much are lessons?"

30 minute lessons: £18.0045 minute lessons: £26.00

Disclosure and Barring Service: yes

Qualification: University of Liverpool Music BA(Hons); ABRSM Piano Teaching

Diploma

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