



EKS MUSLETTER 2026

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2026-2027

MAKING MUSIC. GIVING BACK.
PLAY IT FORWARD



Registration Is Open!

Our first student recital of the 2026-2027 school year is coming up!

Saturday, October 31, 2026

- 📍 Braintree Public Library
- 🎹 Recital I: 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- 🎹 Recital II: 12:45-2:00 p.m.

Students who would like to participate should speak with their instructor first to select and confirm their performance piece. Once your repertoire is confirmed, families may complete the registration form and choose their preferred recital time.

Space is limited! Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and we cannot hold a spot without a completed registration, including the student's repertoire information.

And since it's Halloween, costumes are welcome! 🎃 Students are encouraged to join in the fun as long as their costumes allow them to perform comfortably.

🎵 **Ready to Perform?**
Talk to your instructor, choose your piece, and register today!



CONGRATULATIONS, MS. KUAN!

Named “The Most Influential Music Educator to Watch in 2026”



We are proud to share that our Music Director and Founder, Ms. Ellyses Kuan, has been featured by The Enterprise World as “The Most Influential Music Educator to Watch in 2026.”

The feature, “Ellyses Kuan: Building a Community Where Music Creates Leaders, Compassion, and Lasting Impact,” shares Ms. Kuan’s journey as a music educator, performer, entrepreneur, and community leader, as well as the story and educational philosophy behind EKS Music School.

The article also highlights a belief that is especially meaningful to us this year: music education goes beyond learning notes and developing performance skills. It can help students build confidence, character, compassion, and a desire to use their talents to make a positive difference in their communities.

We are delighted to see Ms. Kuan and the EKS community recognized in this special feature!

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A FEW WORDS FROM MS. KUAN

“I am truly honored and grateful for this recognition, but what means the most to me is having the opportunity to use music and music education to make a difference in our community.

As musicians and educators, we have been given a wonderful gift — and I believe that gift becomes even more meaningful when we share it with others. Giving back does not have to be something big. A performance, a helping hand, or simply sharing your time and talents can brighten someone’s day.

I hope our Play It Forward theme this year will encourage all of us — students, faculty, and families — to look for ways to use what we have to serve others and strengthen our community. Make music. Share your gifts. Play it forward.”

— Ms. Ellyses Kuan, Music Director, EKS Music School



WE ARE PROUD

Outstanding! Bravo!



We are proud to share two outstanding achievements from
our EKS guitar students!



Eden Wong

Eden Wong earned the highest examination mark in the Northeast Region for his RCM Level 3 Guitar Examination and has been awarded an RCM Regional Gold Medal. In recognition of this exceptional achievement, Eden has once again been invited to perform at the RCM Northeast Celebration of Excellence Recital in New York City. This will be Eden's second time receiving an invitation to perform at this special event — what an accomplishment!



Meghana Dande

Meghana Dande earned the highest examination mark in Massachusetts for her RCM Level 2 Guitar Examination — a wonderful accomplishment and recognition of her hard work and musicianship!

Both Meghana and Eden study with EKS Senior Faculty **Mr. Fred Springer**. Their achievements reflect their dedication and commitment to their musical studies, along with Mr. Springer's guidance and mentorship. We are very proud of Meghana, Eden, and Mr. Springer for these outstanding accomplishments!



EKS Faculty NEWS

Ms. Jen Pearl

Jen Pearl will be a guest performer in the New Tampa Piano and Pedagogy Academy Concert in Tampa, Florida, "Stars, Stripes and Music: A 250th Anniversary Celebration" at New Tampa Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, October 27th. Jen will be accompanied by her dear friend of over 25 years, pianist Dr. Judith Jain, who was also her collaborative pianist during her undergraduate at Indiana University, where they performed many recitals together.



VOICE & YOGA



At the end of September, Jen Pearl, collaborated with [Eagle Eye Yoga Studio](#) in a pop-up class "Open Throat, Open Heart: A Restorative Experience + Vocal Exploration." Through restorative yoga postures, breath and guided vocal explorations, they focused upon softening the throat, releasing tension and opening energetic pathways in the throat and chest.

Duo Amie Presents Wind, Woodland & Water 🎵



EKS Music Director and pianist Ellyses Kuan and cellist Dr. Julie Reimann, together known as [Duo Amie](#), will return to The Village at Duxbury to present their brand-new program, Wind, Woodland and Water.

Duo Amie is delighted to perform for the lovely community at The Village at Duxbury On October 10, 2026.

The program will feature works by Margaret Bonds, Alberto Ginastera, Antonín Dvořák, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Robert Schumann, and more. Best wishes to Duo Amie for a wonderful performance!

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Make Your Appointment Today!

A savings opportunity for the EKS Music School community

EKS Music School has received a special savings voucher from M. Steinert & Sons, and we're pleased to make it available to our community for redemption during this event. In addition to applicable event savings, the voucher provides:

- \$1,000 off a new Steinway grand piano
- \$500 off a new or used grand piano
- \$250 off a new or used upright piano

PICK UP A VOUCHER AT EKS TODAY!

Book Your Private Appointment

If you don't see an available time - or if you have questions about this special event - please call **Patrick Elisha-Sanmiguel**, Vice President of M. Steinert & Sons, at **508-893-4605**.



School Calendar Reminder

EKS Music School will be OPEN on Columbus Day and Halloween.

All lessons are scheduled as usual on these days. Please check your EKS online account for your individual lesson schedule.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS!

Do you own a local business? EKS families are welcome to share a business flyer on our Community Board in the waiting area. If you are interested in advertising your business on our school TV or in the EKS newsletter, please email info@eksmusicschool.com for advertising information and inquiries.