

Description of the “Little Maestros” Music Class

My name is Kerry-Anne and I hold a Masters Degree in music from the Université de Montréal. As a singer/pianist/composer/arranger, I have sung professional concerts throughout North America and around the world for the general public, for the Royal Family and for Heads of State, for the Montreal Canadians, on television, radio, in studio and with artists such as Céline Dion over the past twenty-five years I also teach private voice lessons to students from 5 to 70 years of age in my West Island studio.

I believe that children (and adults), benefit greatly from learning music. Science has proven that children who learn music at a young age develop stronger cognitive skills and have greater academic success throughout their education. They also become more empathetic and gentler people.

As well as teaching private voice lessons one of my favourite projects is to teach pre-school music to children from the ages of 18 months to 5 years of age in a class called Little Maestros/Petits Maestros. In this multilingual class which I have taught for more than ten years, parents and their children come together to sing my own original songs and well-known songs about animals, the beauty of nature, water, crazy conjugation (French), great foods to eat and the Wheels on the Bus! The children play percussion instruments, dance and dress up in costume. There will also be an amazing demonstration by a well-known trumpet player for the children and their parents at the end of the session.

The Little Maestros class is given from 9:30 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. each Sunday morning at the Norwegian Cultural Association/Lakeshore Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 5065 Sherbrooke Street, just beside Maple Grove Elementary School. The cost is only \$5 per class per child. We have already begun our winter session but you are welcome to join us for the remainder of the classes until March 22. Our spring session will begin on Sunday, April 5, 2020.

More information is available at the website www.westislandmusic.com under the heading “Montreal Children's Music Class.” Although the winter classes have already begun, you are welcome to sign up and join us still. Everyone is welcome!

You can visit my website for more information about my work at www.kerry-anne.net

I am also the Artistic Director of the *Festival de la Voix*. This year, for our 7th edition we offer concerts and workshops for everyone as well as four concerts and one workshop designed for elementary and secondary students! Please visit our website for more information at www.festivaldelavoix.com

Thank you. I look forward to meeting you!

Yours truly,
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