Music Camp Courses and Schedule

MAJOR PERFORMING ENSEMBLES

Bands: Grainger Band, Sousa Band, Fillmore Band

Choirs: Bach Choir (mixed) or Mozart Choir (treble)

Tchaikovsky Orchestra: violin, viola, cello, and double bass

Piano Ensembles: Rachmaninoff, Brahms, Schubert,

Clementi Piano Ensembles

DAILY SECTIONALS WITH MASTER TEACHERS

DAILY MUSIC THEORY CLASSES FOR ALL STUDENTS

CAMP CHOIR

All campers sing in the Shaw Camp Choir and perform with faculty and staff as a 320+ voice choir during the Closing Ceremony.

ELECTIVE COURSES

Campers choose from a variety of music and non-music electives:

Beginning Piano – Learn to play piano and study the basics of reading the grand staff; learn new melodies and how to accompany tunes you already know.

Brass Choir – If you play trumpet, horn, trombone, euphonium, or tuba, you will enjoy playing music specifically written for brass.

Bucket Brigade – An introduction to percussion by using various kinds of buckets. You will learn about ensemble playing and improvisation while exploring the many sounds buckets can make. No experience needed.

Cartoon Music – Watching famous cartoons is a perfect way to learn about classical music and the composers who created it. It's also a lot of fun.

Chamber Ensembles – Advanced Wind, String, and Piano students will be grouped into trios and quartets to perform music by the masters!

Clarinet Choir – Perform exclusively with other clarinet-playing campers! Learn to develop sight-reading skills on classical and pop music and play the "colorful" clarinets: E-flat Soprano, Alto and Bass, and maybe a few more!

Classical Improvisation – Create classical music as you go and learn to expand your creative instincts, whatever your instrument or voice part. Don't worry if you have never improvised before—that makes you a perfect candidate for the class.

Conducting – You will learn basic conducting techniques, score reading, and how feel a little like your band, choir, or orchestra teacher.

Flute Choir – Join other camp flutists in one ensemble playing great music just for flute!

Group Guitar – Group guitar classes require no prior instruction, but guitarists are separated into classes according to ability so experienced students can move along quickly.

Handbells for Beginners

This is for those campers who have never experienced handbells. You will learn about the instruments and how to work together as a team to produce exceptional sounds. No experience is necessary.

Handbells Advanced

This is for campers who have some experience on handbells. You will play music from the masters, to new pieces, to even contemporary music.

Hip Hop Dance – If you like to move to music, you'll love hip hop dance. Even beginners will leave this class with a lot to show off.

Jazz Dance – Another great dance class for everyone. Develop strength, poise, flexibility, balance, rhythm, coordination, and have fun!

Jazz Bands – Members of our two performing Jazz Bands will be selected during Sunday auditions. Students not selected will be placed in one of their other elective choices.

Jazz Improvisation – Introduction to instrumental jazz improvisation through scales, rhythms, and standard patterns to give you confidence to take solos with your ensembles.

Music History – From Bach and Mozart to Mahler and Stravinsky, listen to and discuss the greatest compositions and compositions in Western Music.

Music Software – For students who have never used music notation software before, you can learn the fundamentals of this versatile program in one week with instruction in our Music Computer Lab.

Percussion Ensemble – Advanced students with percussion experience perform challenging music from around the world. Get ready to have a blast!

Saxophone Army – "We do more with the sax than most people do all day." This exciting ensemble is for students who play any kind of saxophone and want to perform with as many of them as possible!

Show Choir – Members of our two show choirs will be selected during Sunday auditions. Students not selected will be placed in one of their other elective choices.

Vocal Jazz Ensemble – Learn vocal techniques used in the singing of jazz: inflection, style, and scat singing. 8-12 students will be selected during Sunday auditions for this performing group. Students not selected will be placed in one of their other elective choices.

Whose Line Comedy Improv – Learn comedic improvisation and great ideas for thinking on your feet!

Yoga – Exercises for mind and body relaxation to help with practice and performance.

Sample Daily Schedule	
7:00-7:45 AM	Breakfast
8:00-8:50 AM	Sectionals
9:00-9:50 AM	Music Theory Class
10:00-10:50 AM	Large Group Rehearsal
11:00-11:50 AM	Elective
12:00-1:05 PM	Lunch
1:15-2:05 PM	Large Group Rehearsal
2:15-3:05 PM	Shaw Camp Choir Rehearsal
3:15-4:05 PM	Elective
4:15-5:15 PM	Recreation Time
5:15-6:00 PM	Dinner
7:00-8:30 PM	Evening Performance
8:30-10:00 PM	Nightly Fun Activity