

The STUDIO NEWSLETTER

Helen R. Weems Piano Studio *** September/October 2025



“ A score is at once a book and a book waiting to be written. . . . If you are listening to a recording, you are hearing someone’s truth about Bach’s truth, their idea of Bach’s truth. . . .

“If you don’t play an instrument, take one up; take lessons; make the time. After a while, **set some Bach on the music stand** and play it yourself. Look at the notes on the page, envision the relationships between them. **Don’t just press play.** Don’t be afraid; we all live too much in fear and awe of the perfectly edited recordings around us. No matter . . . I promise that it may be the best Bach you will ever hear.

— pianist Jeremy Denk on, yes, Bach



Sunday, August 24	3:45-5pm	Kick-off Rep
Sunday, October 5	3:45-5pm	Fall Rep Class
Sunday, October 12	3:30pm	MSMTA Master Class
Tuesday, October 21	7pm	Adult Seminar (Jeremy Denk)
Friday-Sunday Oct24-26	All day	MSMTA Keyboard (studios)
Sunday, November 16	3pm	Ganz CONCERT (Christ Episc)
Thursday, November 27		Thanksgiving Holiday (closed)
Saturday, December 6	3:45-5pm	Holiday Rep Class
Sunday, December 7	4pm	Grosvenor CONCERT (HCC)
Tuesday, December 9	7pm	Holiday Adult Rep Class
Sunday, December 14	4pm	GCMTA Outreach (Harmony)
Sunday, December 14	3pm	MSMTA Composer's Circle (CP)

Parent's Practice Tip # 49:

KEEP PRACTICE ALIVE



While I walk in England, I dearly hope my students will keep working steadily toward their repertoire and keyboard examination goals.

I suggest a weekly goal of four practices, each 30 minutes. More than that would be a dream, but let's be real, everyone wants some time off when the cat's away.

I will be available to view videos via emailed youtube link. Please don't send anything I have to download (like google drive), because I am on the road with an old phone and local services. However, youtube should be easy to view. I will respond to the email with suggestions and feedback! My email address is: weempianostudio@gmail.com