

Amy Levinson-Daster

BMus., ARCT (Teacher), ARCT (Performer), RMT, RCM Examiner, Director of Amati String Studio. After having taught for Capilano College, BC Conservatory of Music, Vancouver Community College, and as a strings coach for the Vancouver School Board String Program, Amy began teaching violin, viola, fiddle, chamber music and music theory in her own studio 23 years ago. Amy's students have won numerous honors including eight RCM Silver Medals as well as many trophies and scholarships in local and provincial music festivals. Amy is the founder and director of the Sizzlers Fiddle Group and the Amati String Chamber Orchestra as well as Amati String Studio/Amati Academy of Music in Vancouver BC. The Sizzlers Fiddle Group performs at various community, charity and fund raising events throughout the year. Under her direction, the Sizzlers Fiddle Group has toured across Canada performing in BC, Alberta, Ontario, Quebec, PEI, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island & Cape Breton and has recorded 2 CDs! Past President of the Vancouver branch of the BC Registered Music Teachers Association and an active String Examiner for the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, Ms. Levinson-Paster strives to promote Canadian String Music and fiddle music for beginner and intermediate players. Specializing in early childhood music education, Amy starts students on the violin as early as 3 years of age. She also teaches high school students up to University entrance level and adults.

For **REGISTRATION** information on summer or year-long courses offered by Amy Levinson-Paster & Amati String Studio, please contact:

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Summer Registration

Deadline: May 25th

Refunds: For all courses, Partial REFUNDS (less 25% non-refundable cancellation fee) available until June 20th. **Absolutely NO refunds after June 20th**. All course withdrawals must be made in writing in order to receive refund.

Amy Levinson-Paster (Amati String Studio) reserves the right to cancel courses in the event that minimum registration is not met. Fiddle Camps require 12 registrants & CD Retreat requires 16 participants. In the event of course cancellation, full refunds will be given to registered students – previously withdrawn students will receive no further compensation.

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summer fiddle courses 2010 are in preparation for Auditions for the 2011 Buskers' Festival to be held in Victoria BC.

Similar to the Halifax Buskers' Festival, this event promises to be a huge success and the Sizzlers hope to be part of the fun in 2011!

Join us this summer 2010 to start preparing!

MUSICAL SUMMER 2010 Violin & Fiddle Classes

**Directed by Amy Levinson-Daster
Vancouver & Victoria Sessions**

Week 1: July 12-16

City: Victoria
Location: To be confirmed
Course offered: Junior Sizzlers & Intro Violin

Week 2: July 19-23

City: Vancouver
Location: Amati String Studio (Gallery)
4255 Arbutus Street
Course offered: Junior Sizzlers
& CD Recording Retreat

Busking Weekend

Dates: July 24-25 Victoria

CD Retreats September 1-3

Vancouver & Victoria students are invited to attend this rehearsal & recording retreat! Ideal for intermediate & senior level students, some junior sizzlers may be invited to participate. All rehearsals & recording take place in Vancouver.

**Registration Deadline for all
Summer events**

May 25th

FIDDLE CAMP
JULY 12-16
Victoria
10am to 3pm daily

Victoria Junior Sizzlers Fiddle Camp (\$300)+

July 12-16, 2010 from 10am to 3pm daily

July 24 & 25 Busking Weekend in Victoria+

+Supplementary fee \$160 if you'd like to join the Vancouver group for hotel/meals in Victoria Busking weekend (does not include transportation)

Join veteran teacher Amy Levinson-Paster and members of the Senior Sizzlers Fiddle Group for a fun & exciting week of fiddle & movement. Explore new music including fiddle, jazz, Klezmer, and improvisation. Make new musical friends and work on choreography to produce a show by the end of five days! Join the Vancouver group for a weekend of busking in Victoria at the end of the following week! Class size is limited to 16 violin/viola students between the ages of 7 and 13. Minimum playing level: 2 years, Suzuki 2, RCM 2 or by audition. Music will be chosen based on participants, register early to ensure space. Students are required to bring snacks, drinks & lunch.

Fiddle camp
JULY 19-23 (Vancouver)
10am to 3pm daily

Vancouver Junior Sizzlers Fiddle Camp (\$350)+

July 19-23 from 10am to 3pm daily

July 23, 24 & 25 Busking Weekend in Victoria+

+Supplementary fee \$225 (includes all accommodation, transportation, and food for Victoria Busking Weekend)

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BEGINNER VIOLIN
July 12-15
9am daily (45 minutes per day)
VICTORIA

Victoria Introductory Violin Week (\$100)

This session includes four 45 minute classes to introduce students and parents to the instrument, and to lessons. Ideal for children ages 4 & 5 who are considering starting lessons in the fall. Class is held daily Monday through Thursday at 9:00am. Parent participation is required. An instrument will be provided for use during the class. Hands on approach to posture, rhythm & pitch makes this fast paced introductory course fun for parents & students alike. This class will also outline the importance of parent participation during lessons & practice. Class size is limited to 6 students, but will run with a minimum of 4 students.

+ BUSKING WEEKEND! July 23 – 25
for students who have participated in the Junior Sizzlers Fiddle Camp week

<i>+Supplementary fee</i>	<i>\$160</i>
<i>(Victoria)</i>	<i>+Supplementary fee \$225</i>
<i>(Vancouver students)</i>	

NB: Supplementary weekend fee includes all busking activities, 2 nights accommodation, transportation & food!

Join Sizzlers Fiddle Camp Students from Vancouver & Victoria for a fun weekend of busking & performing in Victoria BC! Students will stay in local hotel or UVic dormitory accomodation (fully chaperoned), eat at local restaurants (with a pizza party @ hotel!) & enjoy a fun weekend playing lots of great fiddle tunes on the streets of Victoria for an amazing tourist audience and fantastic experience! This is an excellent opportunity for students to showcase their Fiddle Camp Experience and learn how to BUSK! Parents are welcome to attend as chaperones at full supplementary fee – limited space. This busking weekend is limited to 16 students.

Students participating in the Busking Weekend will be sent permission forms and further information on that part of the course, once they have registered.

CD Recording Retreat September 1-3

Date: September 1 & 2, (10am to 5pm) & September 3 from 12noon to midnight! (Westside Vancouver Location & recording studio to be confirmed). Cost **\$500 includes rehearsals, recording session & 20 CDs per student.**

Join Amy Levinson-Paster for a three day retreat. This exciting three days includes rehearsals, recording & details necessary for the making of a CD. Learn the ins & outs of making a fiddle CD. Each student will be given 20 CDs for personal use or resale (value \$20 each).

All music will be decided ahead of time, and students will be expected to know their notes before the first class. Each student will be given 20 CDs to sell or give to friends & family (included in the fee). Additional CDs will be available by pre-order at a cost of \$20 each.

Students should note that all music must be memorized prior to first rehearsal September 1st.

September 1st & 2nd. Students will be required to bring lunch & snacks.

September 3rd. Recording session times will be slated and students will only need to be in the studio for the tunes that they play. Students are welcome to attend the whole session as long as they are co-operative and respect the work being done by others. Parent volunteers are requested for 4 hour shifts during the recording day. In addition, families will be asked to bring food to feed our musicians during the recording day – this will all be organized ahead of time.

Hundreds of hours go into making a CD. The process is exciting! Students are encouraged to assist with the many facets of the production, including CD jacket & design aspects. Early registration is a must for this course, as it is a summer project culminating in the recording session in September. Students will be required to prepare all music ahead of time – some senior students will be available for rehearsal & lessons during July & August if you require assistance with the music. In addition, anyone interested in assisting Amy with the CD jacket & cover should inquire at registration.

This project is open to all students by audition, or to any intermediate & senior level players who have previously recorded with the Sizzlers. There will be no more than 16 violin/fiddle participants on the CD. Other instruments are welcome by audition only. Book your space early to ensure placement. Amy Levinson-Paster is available to answer questions related to the CD recording and fiddle retreat.

Please feel free to inquire before registering – it's going to be a fantastic production!

Registration Form for MUSICAL SUMMER 2010

Student's Name:

T-Shirt Size: (circle one) CS CM CL AS AM AL

Course(s) Registered For:

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Age: _____ Birthday (d/m/y) _____

Medical #: _____

Emergency

Contact: _____

Level of Playing: _____

Special Circumstances that will help us make your summer experience a success:

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'I have read & understand the refund policy.'

Parent's Signature:

Musical Summer 2010

Courses:

Beginner Violin \$ 100 _____

Victoria Fiddle Camp \$ 300 _____

Busking Supp. Victoria \$ 160 _____

Vancouver Fiddle Camp \$ 350 _____

Busking Supp. Vancouver \$ 225 _____

CD Recording Retreat \$500 _____

Please make all cheques payable to:

Amy Levinson-Paster

or

Amati String Studio

1660 Earle Street

Victoria BC

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Please allow 6-10 days for payment to reach us by mail

DO NOT SEND CASH IN THE MAIL.
Payment by Cheque or Money Order only.

NSF fee for all returned cheques \$30.

