



instructor corner

Randy Naranjo, M.S., Guitar Instructor

The Beat Goes On: Perseverance and Limits in Music

Hey fellow music makers,

Perseverance is the rhythm that keeps us going—through missed chords and sore fingers. It's the grit to practice when your hands ache or to rewrite a song for the tenth time. Every musician knows the grind; it's where passion meets discipline. Think of legends like Beethoven, deaf yet unstoppable, or modern artists grinding through rejection to hit the charts.

But let's talk limits. Time, skill, even inspiration—they're real walls. You can't master every scale overnight or force a melody when the muse is MIA. Accepting limits isn't defeat; it's strategy. Focus on your strengths, lean on your bandmates, and let constraints shape something raw and unique.

So, keep playing. Push through the noise, respect the silence, and let perseverance tune your craft.

upcoming events



APR
05

SAMA Student bands performing at
Helotes Marketplace (10am-2pm)



APR
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Korbin Priest's Birthday



APR
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Hannah Petersen's Birthday



APR
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Music 4 Heroes Fundraiser
A Night of Music & Giving
Feat. performances by the
Witten Scholarship students and
SAMA student band 'Intrepid'



APR
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Jake Ramirez's Birthday



APR
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Lilly Schnieder's Birthday



APR
05

SAMA Student bands performing at
The Divide (6pm-10pm)

student of the month

“Juan L.

is such a great student! He is always prepared and ready to take on new challenges with a smile. We have made so much progress and it has been a true joy teaching him. Keep up the great work!”

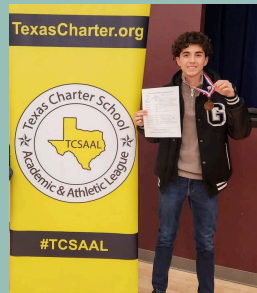
Sarah Miga, M.M.
Voice Instructor



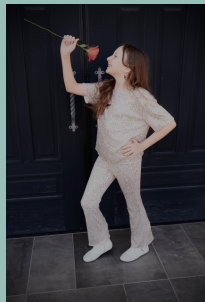
student accomplishments



Congratulations to Victoria M., student of Khadijah Enriquez, for making it to the semi-finals of the International Songwriting Competition with her original song, "Ruined"!



Congratulations to Landon B., student of Hannah Petersen, for placing 3rd in the CSAAL Solo Piano Competition!



Congratulations to Brie A., Josie T., and Penelope M., students of Khadijah Enriquez, for being cast in Wonder Theatre's production of The Aristocats! Brie will play Marie, Josie will play Roquefort, and Penelope will play Slick Cat. Brie was also cast as Simea in Moana Jr. at the San Antonio Broadway Theatre.



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A NIGHT OF MUSIC & GIVING

April 18
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

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In partnership with Music 4 Life and Guitar SA, this event supports military members, veterans, and their families—including 10 SAMA students—with tuition and guitars. Enjoy live performances, food, and raffles. **All SAMA students and families are welcome!**

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