



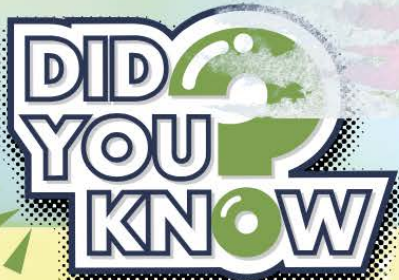
ROCKWALL  
SCHOOL OF MUSIC

30  
YEARS  
ANNIVERSARY

# April 2026 Newsletter

**We will be closed on  
Mothers Day,  
Sunday, May 10**

\*RSM tuition includes 47 weeks  
of lessons—no makeup needed  
for holiday breaks!



## Fun Facts!



The month of April is one of the most-mentioned months in music. There are at least 29 songs mentioning April, tying with May & September.



“Here Comes Peter Cottontail” is a popular 1949 song written by Steve Nelson & Jack Rollins but was famously recorded by Gene Autry.



Thousands of songs have been written about spring & sunshine. Spring music often celebrates renewal, warmth, and nature, with iconic songs like The Beatles' "Here Comes the Sun" defining the season's bright tone

# Local Student HIGHLIGHTS

## Kamryn Billops

Huge Congrats to Kamryn for landing the role of **Cinderella** in *Into the Woods Jr.* at Brown Middle School & for making Dance & Music Ensemble in *Westside Story* with Rockwall Musicals!



Shoutout to Luke Phelps for making Dance & Music Ensemble in *Westside Story* with Rockwall Musicals.



**Luke Phelps** with his teacher, **Mr. Michael**

## Avianna Holland



Congratulations to Avianna Holland! She was featured by Broadway Dallas HS Musical Theater & awarded as a Semi-Finalist Lead Performer in *Sweeney Todd: HS Edition*

# Student Spotlight

## VANCE ROWAN



Guitar Student of Mr. Carl

Vance began his musical journey in 2017 with Mr. Carl. After he finished school, Vance wanted to learn something new and music piqued his interest! Vance's father and mother (Roy and Julie) enthusiastically did some research, found RSM... and the rest is history! His family is incredibly proud of his progress and are thankful for Mr. Carl's patient teaching. Vance has experienced growth and development with learning to read music and play the guitar. Vance and his family are grateful that RSM staff and Mr. Carl have opened Vance to a new window of learning, emotional outlet, & enhanced confidence. They are also grateful that Vance is treated as a valued student. "I love to hear Vance's daily practice, starting with scales, then moving on to picking through a new song," Julie says. "Vance is very dedicated to his practice and he always looks forward to his weekly lesson."

**Favorite Food:** Pizza

**Favorite Hobby:** Playing Video Games

**Favorite Musician/Band:** Dustin Lynch

# Staff SPOTLIGHT

## PIANO TEACHER JULIA HIRONAGA

Miss Julia began her piano studies from a young age with extensive Classical training, earning the top placement in multiple solo piano competitions. Later, she achieved both academic and musical recognition in music scholarship awards and a full tuition Presidential Scholarship at Howard Payne University.

Drawing on the experience of more than two decades of professional piano performance, she enjoys teaching students with a tailored, creative approach, and is highly flexible with instruction in various styles which include song adaptations from movies, contemporary Christian, and other popular genres of music. BM in Piano Performance, Howard Payne University, summa cum laude - Brownwood, TX MA in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication, University of Texas at Dallas - Richardson, TX



### FUN FACT:

Julia was once selected for an exclusive one-on-one interview with **Pixar Animation Studios**

### JULIA'S FAVORITES:

Favorite Musician



*Joe Hisaishi*

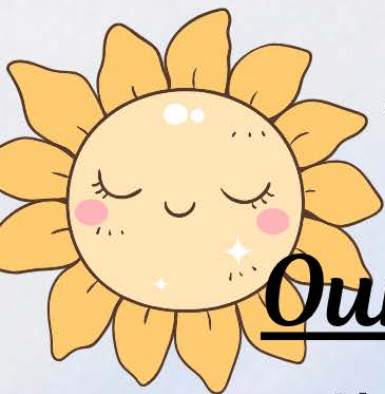
Favorite Food



*Sushi & Korean BBQ*

### MOST INSPIRING PERSON IN JULIA'S LIFE

*Growing up, Julia was inspired by her father who wrote his own songs on the guitar, directed film festivals, & served as a music minstrel for hospital patients*



# Welcome

## Our New March Students!

Aiden D  
Andre M  
Brooke V  
Caius C  
Caleb G  
Camila M  
Colten M  
Elijah C

Emmalysse B  
Ezekiel M  
Giavanni B  
Henry S  
Julian M  
Kelly B  
Liam H

Luis C  
Mason G  
Madeleine E  
Naveed S  
Sophia M  
Sophia W  
Titus G  
Zaila G

## PRACTICE CHAMPS

### March WINNER



Annya Reyes

Do you or your student want to be the next Practice Champ winner?

Stop by our front desk to learn how!

Music Lessons in Piano | Voice | Guitar | Drums | Violin | Viola | Cello | Bass

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Did you know that you can use your make-up lessons in several ways?

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Use a makeup lesson to schedule a trial lesson for a sibling (or yourself)

Use a makeup lesson for your student to try out a new instrument

Check Opus (our web-based system) for availability or call our office to schedule a make-up! Make up lessons are scheduled during timeslots in which another students has cancelled

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the office at 972-722-6874

