

Sunshine Piano Studio - Piano Year Schedule + More Music Opportunities for Students

Sunshine Studio Piano Studio Year: August – May is the piano year each year

Vacation Breaks:

Fall Break: mid-October week

Thanksgiving: November Thanksgiving week

Christmas & New Year's: December Christmas & New Year's weeks
Spring Break: mid-March week

Sunshine Piano Studio Recitals: December (Holiday Recital) & May (Spring Recital)

Additional Music Opportunities for Students:

ETMTA Student Opportunities – Tyler, TX

East Texas Music Teachers Association is part of the TMTA & MTNA

Fall Festival – November – Students memorize and perform 1 solo and/or duet before a judge at Braithwaite Recital Hall, UT Tyler. Perform at festival with groups of 6 – 8 students. Fee

Theory Testing – January: last Saturday or Sunday. A written exam prepared by TMTA for Levels 1 – 12. Medals are awarded. This test is required for most convention activities. Fee

Achievement Auditions – March/April – Students play 3 memorized pieces before a judge at UT Tyler. 30 students are chosen for Sunday afternoon Honor's Recital, Braithwaite Hall. Fee

Helen Elbert Music Festival – April – A chamber music festival for the fun of playing music together. All area musicians can participate in groups of 2 – 15 musicians. No Fee

Composition Contest - winning composition featured & played at April performance. Fee

Ensemble for TMTA State Convention – students who have taken the Theory Test can participate in a Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced ensemble of students that play onstage full of grand pianos and in costume to go with music. Fee (part of fee is for a T-Shirt worn at Convention).

Composition – students compose solo or ensemble compositions that are submitted to TMTA for adjudication by highly qualified judges. Winning compositions are played at the TMTA convention with the possibility of going on to the national MTNA convention. Fee

TMTA Convention – student opportunities: Ensemble, All Stars, Digital Keyboard Orchestra, Chamber Music Clinic & Contest, Original Compositions. Most require taking the Theory Test.