

Vancouver Talmud Torah Band 2015/2016 – Getting Started

Welcome back to another exciting year in the Talmud Torah Band Program!

This document contains a brief description of our program, as well as everything you'll need to know for a smooth beginning to your student's Band experience.

Who can join?

Any VTT student in Grades 4-7 is eligible to join one of our Bands. The Junior Band is for students who are just starting to learn their instrument (typically Gr. 4-5), and the Senior Band is for students who already have 1 year or more of experience (typically Gr. 6-7).

Joining the band is easy – simply fill out the attached instrument selection form and return it to the VTT front office. Please include your student's full name, grade/class, instrument choices, and a parent's email address or phone number. Alternatively, you can email that information to Jim Hopson: jhopson@talmudtorah.com

When/where do the Bands meet?

The Junior Bands meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30am to 8:20am, and the Senior Band meets on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 7:30am to 8:20am. In the event of a school holiday or cancellation (no sessions), Band practice will also be canceled. All rehearsals will take place on the stage of the old gym, where our Band facilities are located.

The dates of the first rehearsals will be Wednesday, September 30th for the Senior Band, and Thursday, October 1st for the Junior Band.

How much does it cost?

Thanks to a generous donor, joining the Band is more affordable than ever! The annual fee for participation in the Bands is \$500 for 10 months. Checks can be made payable to Vancouver Talmud Torah, and dropped off at the front office.

In addition to the program fee, parents/students are responsible for renting an instrument, as well as purchasing any music books and supplies that are required for the upkeep of the instrument.

Required Materials

In addition to renting an instrument, all students are required to own a copy of our chosen Band method, Essential Elements Book I. Make sure to purchase the edition that matches your student's instrument (i.e. Flute, Alto Sax, etc.). Owning a music stand for home practice is also recommended.

The following is a list of necessary supplies that are specific to certain instruments:

Percussion

At least 3 pairs of drum sticks; 1 pair of mallets; 1 pair of brushes; stick bag; practice pad.

Flute

Maintenance kit (usually included with rental/purchase of flute).

Clarinet/Saxophone

Maintenance kit (usually included with rental/purchase of instrument); at least 1 box of reeds; neck straps are required for saxophonists, optional for clarinetists.

Trumpet/Euphonium/Baritone

Maintenance kit (usually included with rental/purchase of instrument); Al Cass valve oil is highly recommended over the oil that is usually included in kits.

Trombone

Maintenance kit (usually included with rental/purchase of instrument); slide creams made by Yamaha and Superslick (with water spray bottles) are HIGHLY recommended over the 'slide oil' that is usually included in kits.

Students are required to bring their instruments, music books, and basic cleaning supplies to every rehearsal. Percussionists must bring drum sticks, mallets, brushes, and music books.

Where can I purchase/rent instruments and supplies?

Prussin Music (604-736-3036), located on Broadway Ave and Alma St, is an excellent store for music supplies. On September 24th at 7pm to 8:30pm, Prussin Music will be hosting a Rental Night at VTT in the library. Parents/students will have the opportunity to purchase/rent instruments and supplies, and Band teacher Jim Hopson will be there for consultation.

When will the Bands perform?

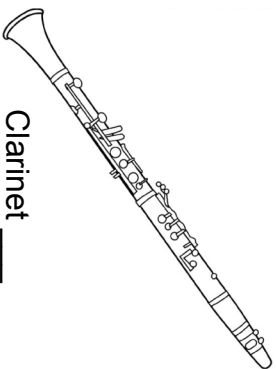
The fall semester of Band will concentrate on preparation for the Hanukkah Concert in December (Date TBA). The spring semester will feature a variety of performances, including our Spring Concert. The Bands will also perform at school assemblies and other functions throughout the year. In past years, the Bands have attended VSO concerts, Kiwanis Festival, performed at Granville Island and the Louis Brier Home, and have even hosted a Jazz Café Night at VTT. We look forward to similar performance opportunities this year!

Questions or Concerns?

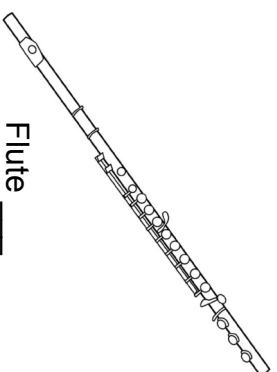
Please contact Band teacher Jim Hopson if you have any questions or concerns. You can reach him at jhopson@talmudtorah.com or (778) 991-4442.

Choose Your Instrument!

Please pick your top three choices by marking them 1 (best), 2 and 3.



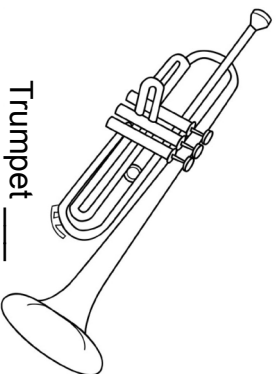
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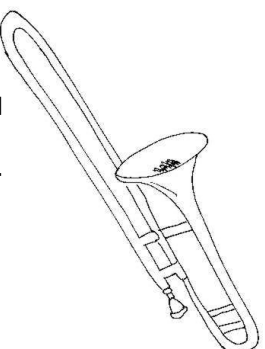
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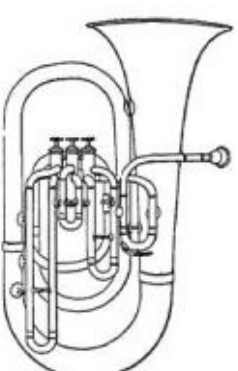
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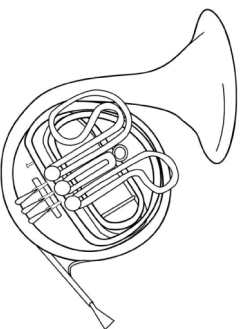
Trumpet ____



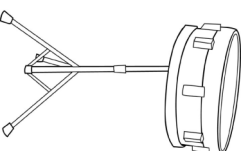
Trombone ____



Baritone or Tuba ____



French horn ____



Percussion ____



Bass Guitar ____

Full Name _____

Parent's email _____

Grade & Class _____

Parent's phone _____



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Band Instrument Rental Information

Dear Parents,

On Thursday, September 24th 2015, there will be an INSTRUMENT RENTAL held at Vancouver Talmud Torah Elementary (in the Library). The time of the rental will be from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, at which time you may purchase or rent an instrument for your child.

For those of you wishing to **rent** an instrument, you will need to bring the following with you:

- Credit card: Visa, Mastercard, or American Express
 - Driver's license (or similar photo ID)
 - If you wish to have monthly rental payments withdrawn from your chequing account, please bring two cheques (one for the initial payment and one for recurring monthly payments)
 - Payment for the initial 3 month rental period (cash, cheque, or credit card)
- OR**
- Payment for a Yearly Rental (cash, cheque, or credit card). Pay for the whole school year (10 months) up front and get 2 months free. .

For those of you wishing to **purchase** an instrument, please remember:

- Instruments may be purchased by credit card, cash, or cheque (with proper ID).
- Prussin Music offers a **Buy-Back Guarantee** for any band instrument purchase. Buy an instrument at our lower cash price and still have the option of returning it any time after three months. You will receive a full refund after deducting only what you would have paid renting it. This protects your interest if your child decides not to continue with the instrument.

Keep in Mind:

- In addition to obtaining an instrument, the teacher may ask that you consider the purchase of the following items:
 - Spare Reeds (If a woodwind instrument is chosen)
 - Music Stand for home practice
 - Method book for use in class

We encourage every parent to review the rental brochure and rental/buyback guarantee terms prior to the rental itself, in order to recognize the many options available. Remember, there is a savings associated with purchasing an instrument outright, as the rent-to-own price of an instrument reflects the cost of financing the instrument purchase over approximately 4 years.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at **Prussin Music**.

Thank you,
Prussin Music Rental Department

Buy Back Option

Buy an instrument at our lower cash price and still have the option of returning it any time after three months. You will receive a full refund deducting only what you would have paid renting it for that period.

Warranty

Purchase an instrument and receive two (2) years parts & labour on new instruments, one (1) year on nearly new & used instruments (strings & drum-heads not included).

Quality

We rent quality new & used instruments. Each has been thoroughly adjusted, play-tested and sterilized to assure you of an instrument that plays well.

Rental

The first three months are payable in advance and are non-refundable. Subsequent monthly payments are withdrawn from a pre-authorized bank or credit card account. Or, choose the yearly option for two months of free use.

Maintenance

We maintain your instrument in our fully equipped repair shop throughout the rental period at no charge (strings & drum heads not included).

Insurance

Additional insurance to protect you from theft and damage is available for a small monthly fee.

Exchange

Should you wish to exchange instruments, your rental payments will be transferred at no loss of your accumulated credit for instruments of equal or greater value.

Rental Buyout

All rent applies to the rent-to-own price of the instrument and we offer an additional 25% off the balance remaining if purchased within the first 24 months.

Band Instrument

FREE!!!

- Maintenance Kit*
- Music Folder*
- Travel Tag*
- Music Stand with bag**
- Maintenance Repairs***

* with rental or purchase of instrument
** with purchase of instrument
*** during rental period (excludes damage)

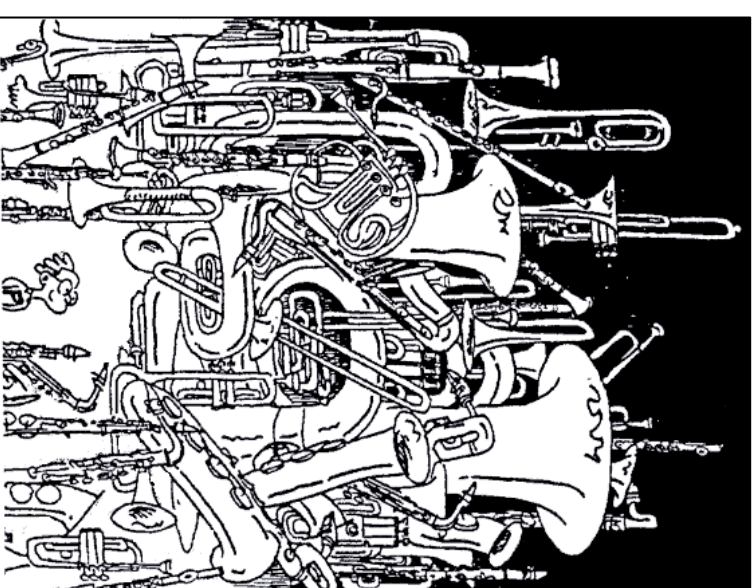
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NEW INSTRUMENTS

| | Outright Purchase | Rent-to-Own Price | Monthly Rental |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Flute: | | | |
| Eastman EF1210 | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$17.00 |
| Gemeinhardt 22SP | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$17.00 |
| Piccolo: | | | |
| Gemeinhardt 4PMH | \$795.00 | \$1,192.50 | \$30.00 |
| Gemeinhardt 4P | \$795.00 | \$1,192.50 | \$30.00 |
| Oboe: | | | |
| Selmer 1492B | \$1,800.00 | \$2,700.00 | \$60.00 |
| Selmer 1492FB | \$2,100.00 | \$3,150.00 | \$70.00 |
| Clarinet: | | | |
| Millennium CL10 | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$17.00 |
| Eastman G1 | \$525.00 | \$787.50 | \$20.00 |
| Vito 7212 | \$595.00 | \$892.50 | \$22.00 |
| Bass Clarinet: | | | |
| Leblanc L7168 | \$2,050.00 | \$3,075.00 | \$75.00 |
| Alto Saxophone: | | | |
| Millennium AX10 / 475 | \$980.00 | \$1,470.00 | \$32.00 |
| Millennium Concert Series | \$1,180.00 | \$1,770.00 | \$38.00 |
| Tenor Saxophone: | | | |
| Millennium TX10 | \$1,100.00 | \$1,650.00 | \$37.00 |
| Baritone Saxophone: | | | |
| Millennium BX10 | \$2,950.00 | \$4,425.00 | \$90.00 |
| Trumpet: | | | |
| Millennium TR8330 | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$17.00 |
| Bach TR300H2 | \$660.00 | \$990.00 | \$25.00 |
| Cornet: | | | |
| Millennium CR8356 | \$395.00 | \$592.50 | \$15.00 |
| French Horn (Single): | | | |
| Conn 14D | \$2,125.00 | \$3,187.50 | \$67.00 |
| Trombone: | | | |
| Millennium TB600L | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$17.00 |
| Eastman ETB310 | \$525.00 | \$787.50 | \$19.00 |
| Bach TB301, Conn 23H | \$625.00 | \$937.50 | \$27.00 |
| Baritone: | | | |
| Eastman EBH311 | \$1,150.00 | \$1,725.00 | \$37.00 |
| Euphonium: | | | |
| Eastman EEP321 | \$1,450.00 | \$2,175.00 | \$42.00 |
| Snare Drum Kit: | | | |
| CB / Ludwig LE2475, LE2477 | \$255.00 | \$382.50 | \$13.00 |
| Bell Kit: | | | |
| Ludwig M651, M651R | \$285.00 | \$427.50 | \$13.00 |
| Martinba (3 octave): | | | |
| Adams AMPD30 | \$1,350.00 | \$2,025.00 | \$40.00 |
| Xylophone (3 ½ octave): | | | |
| Adams AXLD35 | \$1,050.00 | \$1,575.00 | \$35.00 |
| Bass Guitar w/Amp | \$295.00 | \$442.50 | \$15.00 |

NEARLY NEW INSTRUMENTS

| | Outright Purchase | Rent-to-Own Price | Monthly Rental |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Flute: | | | |
| Eastman EF1210 | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Gemeinhardt 22SP | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Armstrong 104 | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$15.00 |
| Selmer L302, Vito 115 | \$425.00 | \$637.50 | \$15.00 |
| Piccolo: | | | |
| Armstrong 204 / 308, Arley 18P | \$550.00 | \$825.00 | \$20.00 |
| Armstrong 209 | \$600.00 | \$900.00 | \$22.00 |
| Gemeinhardt 4P/4SP | \$675.00 | \$1,012.50 | \$25.00 |
| Oboe: | | | |
| Arley 18Q, Selmer 1492B | \$1,450.00 | \$2,175.00 | \$42.00 |
| Selmer 1492FB | \$1,785.00 | \$2,677.50 | \$55.00 |
| Clarinet: | | | |
| Millennium CL10 | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Eastman G1, Schreiber 6009N | \$445.00 | \$667.50 | \$17.00 |
| Vito 7212 | \$485.00 | \$727.50 | \$18.00 |
| Bass Clarinet: | | | |
| Leblanc, Vito L7168 | \$1,750.00 | \$2,625.00 | \$60.00 |
| Alto Saxophone: | | | |
| Dixon, Millennium AX10 | \$825.00 | \$1,237.50 | \$27.00 |
| Tenor Saxophone: | | | |
| Millennium TX10 | \$935.00 | \$1,402.50 | \$30.00 |
| Baritone Saxophone: | | | |
| Millennium BX10 | \$2,510.00 | \$3,765.00 | \$75.00 |
| Trumpet: | | | |
| Millennium | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Eastman | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Bach TR300H2 | \$560.00 | \$840.00 | \$20.00 |
| French Horn (Single)*: | | | |
| Amati, Millennium, Jupiter, Eastman | | | |
| | *from: \$950.00 | \$1,425.00 | \$31.00 |
| Trombone: | | | |
| Millennium | \$360.00 | \$540.00 | \$14.00 |
| Eastman | \$445.00 | \$667.50 | \$17.00 |
| Bach, Conn | \$530.00 | \$795.00 | \$20.00 |
| Baritone: | | | |
| Eastman EBH311 | \$975.00 | \$1,462.50 | \$32.00 |
| Euphonium: | | | |
| Eastman EEP321 | \$1,230.00 | \$1,845.00 | \$38.00 |
| Snare Drum Kit: | | | |
| | \$215.00 | \$322.50 | \$10.00 |
| Bell Kit: | | | |
| | \$245.00 | \$367.50 | \$10.00 |
| Bass Guitar w/Amp: | \$255.00 | \$382.50 | \$12.00 |

USED INSTRUMENTS

| | Outright Purchase (from) | Rent-to-Own Price (from) | Monthly Rental |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Flute: | \$275.00 | \$412.50 | \$10.00 |
| Oboe: | \$875.00 | \$1,312.50 | \$32.00 |
| Bassoon: | \$2,500.00 | \$3,750.00 | \$65.00 |
| Clarinet: | \$275.00 | \$412.50 | \$10.00 |
| Bass Clarinet: | \$900.00 | \$1,350.00 | \$35.00 |
| Alto Saxophone: | \$650.00 | \$975.00 | \$25.00 |
| Tenor Saxophone: | \$750.00 | \$1,125.00 | \$29.00 |
| Trumpet: | \$300.00 | \$450.00 | \$10.00 |
| French Horn: | | | |
| Single: | \$600.00 | \$900.00 | \$24.00 |
| Double: | \$800.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$34.00 |
| Trombone: | \$300.00 | \$450.00 | \$10.00 |
| Baritone: | \$800.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$28.00 |
| Euphonium: | \$1,000.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$32.00 |
| Snare Drum Kit | \$200.00 | \$300.00 | \$8.00 |
| Bell Kit | \$200.00 | \$300.00 | \$8.00 |
| Bass Guitar w/ Amp: | \$200.00 | \$300.00 | \$8.00 |

Limited quantities
Used instruments are sterilized and play as new

Free Maintenance Kits
Included with rental
Up to \$35 value
(depending on instrument)

Music Stands
\$10 with each rental
Free with purchase

Bassoons, Soprano and Baritone Saxophones,
Double French Horns, Tubas
and Step-Up Instruments
are also available Rent-to-Own.

Prices Subject to Change
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VTT Band – Recommended Tutors

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Alexander Cannon – xancannon@gmail.com

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