

Class Expectations

Music with Mar. was created in 1993 when Maryann (Mar.) began teaching music classes to the parents in her playgroup. The program provides activities for adults and children to participate in together that aid in development. The program does not 'teach' music; but uses music to teach. Songs, written by Mar. Harman for the program, teach basic, social, motor, language and cognitive skills that are based on brain research.

Mar. has a BA in Music Ed and a Masters in Education with an emphasis in early childhood. She uses this knowledge base to create activities that are specifically designed with a brain research concept in mind. Each instructor is knowledgeable on the theories and practices and is happy to explain any part of the class. (The book, And, That's Why Music's Important!, contains much of this information as does the new dual-track DVD!)

The most important concern when working with children is safety. Children cannot learn, and parents cannot relax, if they think they are in an unsafe environment. The instructor will comment if a child's behavior is potentially harmful to other children. Please be aware of the following guidelines:

1. Each parent should watch their own child's behavior. Children this age will not automatically walk in, sit down and participate. (Then again, some will).
2. The more the parent participates, the more the child will. **The adult that is bringing the child MUST be able to participate.**
3. Leave toys, food and cell phones in car. Cell phones are a disruption to everyone, including your child.
4. Cell phones and keys are your tools and not toys. Playing with them can be harmful.
5. Keep talking to a minimum. When you talk, it is a behavior your child will imitate.
6. Lastly, we all have good and bad days, even children. You may get to class one day and your child may not want to be there. Give them a chance, but if they refuse to participate and want to leave, it is probably best to follow their lead. We'll miss you, but we want this to be a fun experience for everybody. Come back on a better day! We're all parents; we understand.

Class Costs

Classes = \$10.00 per class, per family, not per child! Visitors are expected to pay.

Class Card for 5 classes = \$35.00. (5 classes + Tshirt = \$40)

Mr. Froggy T shirts sold separately for \$10

There is a 2 month expiration date on card.

Weeks don't need to be consecutive but must be with the instructor it's purchased from.

Music with Mar. Birthday Parties

Have Mr. Froggy come to your home for your child's birthday party. You can contact your local MwM Instructor or go online to BirthdayParties.com. (You'll get a free CD.)

Licensing Opportunities

Are you looking for a way to stay home with your child, use your skills and make some money? Music with Mar. may be the opportunity for you. Contact us. Find out how you can become a part of Mr. Froggy's Family. info@musicwithmar.com



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Toddler Tidbit

Mr. Froggy is turning 21 and that means Music with Mar. classes are celebrating an anniversary as well. Wow! If you've been coming to classes, you know how much the class does for you and your child. Take the time to share this with a friend and introduce someone new to Mr. Froggy.

I have met so many wonderful families over these last 21 years. Now, I've begun running into young adults who are having children and telling me they used to come to class! I am honored to have touched all these lives and honored to have the many wonderful people who have learned the program and are sharing it.

Here is what some brain research has to say about the time you spend with your child in a music class. To read more, like our Facebook Page - Music with Mar., Inc.



BRAIN FACTS

Parents participate in music activities with their child for several reasons, and although one reason is to prompt music learning, many participate because they find the time spent together rewarding—a time to make connections. Cooper & Cardany, 2008, 2011

Children exposed to music, singing and instrument playing exhibited increased antibodies. Lane 1992

Adults who continue to learn about children (parenting them and teaching them) make the best parents and teachers. Ellen Galinsky, "The Mind in the Making", 2010

Those three reasons with hundreds more are why we say:

Music with Mar. An opportunity
with your child
you don't want to miss

Come help us celebrate this year and the several more until your child starts school. We are always hOppy to meet new families.



Who is Mar.?

Experience and Credentials

Maryann "Mar." Harman has a BA in Music, Level I Orff Certification and a Masters in Education with an emphasis in Early Childhood. Mar. has over **35 years of classroom experience** from early childhood through college and adult education. Along with producing 35+ recordings (two Parents' Choice Award Winners and two other National Awards), Mar. maintains a classroom presence with a diversity of levels. She has been the keynote speaker for a number of state, national and international organizations and is frequently asked to conduct workshops and teacher trainings.



Philosophy

The philosophy of Music with Mar. is to involve the children and engage the parents and teachers in music activities which are educational and enjoyable. All music is brain research based. Children who get involved in well thought out music programs focused around play in the early years, develop the strongest foundation for future educational growth.

Participating in music should be stress-free, promoting good social growth and enhancing self-esteem. The focus is on the participation and not the level of performance. The music should reflect people from everywhere thus exposing the children to a wide variety at a young age making them more accepting of individuals. Lastly, it should instill in the child a desire to keep music a part of their lives forever.

Mr. Froggy's App & Spotify - Reduced to .99!

Your children can have fun with Mr. Froggy now on your iPads, Apple products or androids. In this App, for ages 1 - 5, children practice their fine motor and eye hand coordination skills by dragging letters and numbers to where they belong, as well as blending colors. The last game challenges them to think fast and listen. I get challenged on that one.

If you are on Spotify, look up Music with Mar. We are there, too!!

Join Music with Mar. Facebook Group / Sign up for Newsletter

Be kept up to date on all our latest news.

Daily brain facts, go to Musicwithmar.com, click on the Facebook icon
For class news and alerts, visit class listings.

Watch videos of your favorite songs by clicking on the YouTube icon
Sign up for Newsletter at musicwithmar.com

Music with Mar. Products

Music with Mar. makes materials available for parents and children. Children respond best when the materials are familiar. Please consider these products to further enhance your child's development and class experience. If you want a good CD to start with, we suggest the original - Music with Mar. It has Music with Mar., Mr. Froggy, Five Fingers, Tap Sticks, Bunny Foo Foo, Best Baby and Take Your Little Hands.

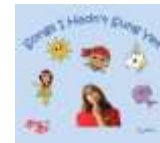


Mr. Froggy's \$100 Birthday Special is Back!
10 classes, Hoppy Birthday T Shirt,
Mr. Froggy, 4CDs in CD Holder,
ABC Coloring Bk in a Mr. Froggy Tote



If you want to create a CD of your child's favorites ...

Purchase download cards from you Instructor for \$10 and receive 11 songs!!!



Our newest CD is entered in Grammy consideration!
Includes : Pirate for a Day, the Unicorn, Pretty Scarves,
Shake the Shaker, Mr. Warm Sunshine, Ohana Hula & more!
Buy yours today at class for \$12

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FL

Whew! We are growing in FL! New classes are hopping into Sarasota, suburbs of Orlando, Pasco and St. Pete.

Midwest

Debbie, Anna and Amy had a great time at the Mini Con in FL. Although Amy is taking time off to have her 3rd child, Debbie and Anna are going strong.

Western NY

Mar. will be coming up soon for a concert and training. This is the best time of year for Western NY.

Southeast GA's classes are reopening. Mary is excited to get going.

Alaska

Mar. will be coming up to Kodiak to work on the base. Watch for details.

China

Baby Spectrum is expanding. Exciting!

Would you like to join our family? Ask about licensing opportunities.

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