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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 cost \$12.00 per class, per *family*, not per child!

Get rewarded for coming to class regularly

Buy Class Card for for \$50. Receive 5 classes, a Tshirt and become a member of the **Frequent HOPpers Program!** (See website for details)

There is a 2 month expiration date on card. Visitors are expected to pay.

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

Music with Mar. unFROGettable Birthday Parties

Have Mr. Froggy come to your home for your child's birthday party.

Contact your local MwM Instructor. Parties start at \$150 for 45 mins.

Birthday Discount available through the Frequent HOPpers Program!!

Music with Mar. also has a wonderful product line for gift suggestions.

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 HOPportunity for you. Find out how you can become a part of Mr. Froggy's Family. KatieW@musicwithmar.com

hOPpy New Year

Music with Mar. is excited for a new adventure. A Chinese company looked into a few music programs to help families in China learn about the US and how to speak English. They chose Music with Mar. and I am honored.

In choosing, they looked at what programs were available that used music to teach and also implemented brain research. They wanted a program that best prepared children not only for school, but for life in general. EXACTLY what my intentions have always been.

As you choose between the many programs available to you for your family, keep that in mind along with these many other reasons why Music with Mar. is the BEST program out there for families.

I look around at all the tutoring programs that are out there and wonder, "Why, if schools are doing their jobs and parents are taking time to work with their children, would anyone need tutoring? Prep for SATs? Yes. Prep for a college entrance test? Yes. An elementary school aged child for regular academics? Sigh."

Put a strong foundation in place during the early years (0-5). Stay involved with your child and their education both structured and unstructured. If you do that, chances are your child won't need that extra help later on. Your child will have the skills to stay focused, comprehend and look more deeply into what they are learning.

Music with Mar. is also family priced. Children learn best from other children. Having multi ages in class not only benefits the purse; it also benefits the children as they learn to be aware of each other's abilities and inabilities.

For me this is an awesome HOPportunity to help families learn how to help their children while participating with them. I have loved every moment spent developing this program. Thank you for being part of it. Continue to join us weekly. Let others know about Music with Mar. and the immense impact it is having not only on local lives, but around the globe.

Spread the HOPpiness!

Sing-cerely, Mar.



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.

Are you invited to a Birthday Party?

Have Music with Mar. be your child's birthday **REGISTRY** for **FROGtastic** gifts! Children love CDs, books, instruments & puppets!!

Mr. Froggy's is on Spotify

If you are on Spotify, look up Music with Mar.
Or, click the Spotify button on the website

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For class news and alerts, visit class listings.

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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 Your Sticks, Bunny Foo Foo, Best Baby and Take Your Little Hands.



Back to class with your **Mr. Froggy Backpack**, sticks, Kazoo, maraca and Music with Mar. CD

Mr. Froggy TOADally Awesome Ts - \$12
Get 5 classes + T Shirt for \$50
And become a member of the
Frequent HOPpers Program

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

Purchase download cards from your Instructor for \$10 & receive 11 songs!!!

A Note from Mar.

In August, the Music with Mar. Instructors were all in FL to learn new songs and activities. We had a hOppy time with Mr. Froggy and they are excited to share with you. As Katie takes on the role of working with the instructors, I am ready to start my travels. Check the website to see when I am hopping into your town. I will soon be in MD, TN and LA. To book Mar. at a conference, call 727 781-4MAR

Katie's Korner

Hi! This is Katie Webster. I've been a Music with Mar. Instructor and honorary President of the Mr. Froggy Fan Club since 2002! It has been so much fun.

Do you love music or have a passion for working with preschoolers? Are you enthusiastic and looking for ways to make extra money? Consider joining our Music with Mar. Instructor Licensing Team. Licensing includes the rights to teach classes, preschool classes, do concerts, birthday parties and more. **Would you like to join our family?**

Ask about licensing HOPportunities. KatieW@musicwithmar.com

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