



Newbie Adult Chamber Orchestra (NACHO) Program

Mel Lehan Hall
St. James Community Centre
3214 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver

Fall Term, 2023

NACHO Beginners Program Information Sheet

An orchestra program for adults new to playing a musical instrument or returning to music after a decades long absence from playing an instrument.

Fall Term starts: September 11, 2023

Practice meeting times: Mondays, 10:00 AM to 12 noon

Meeting format: 45 minute practice; 30 minute social break; 45 minute practice

NACHO Music Director: Dr. Janelle Ragno

Sources of personal instruction and/or musical instrument rental:

B.C. Registered Music Teachers' Association (www.bcrmta.bc.ca)

Long & McQuade Musical Instruments (www.long-mcquade.com)

Tapestry Music – Vancouver (www.tapestrymusic.com)

Tom Lee Music – Vancouver (www.tomleemusic.ca)

Participants bring: a musical instrument, a portable sheet music stand, a 1-inch 3-ring binder, and your own beverage and snack (if desired) for the break.

NACHO Annual Membership dues: \$30.00 (dues pro-rated for partial year)

Fall Term Program (12 sessions): \$130.00 (must be a NACHO member to register)

Program runs: each year in three Terms (Winter, Spring, Fall) with a break for July and August

More information:

New Horizons website: <http://newhorizonsmusic.org>

Visit the NACHO website at: <https://nachomusicsociety.ca>

Contact us at: info@nachomusicsociety.ca

Take the seven steps to NACHO music and fun on the back of this sheet.



Follow these steps to get started in NACHO

1. Pick an instrument you would like to learn how to play.
2. Let us know that you would like to sign up (fill out the NACHO Questionnaire: <https://nachomusicsociety.ca/NACHO-Questionnaire/>) so we have your information and can email you NACHO updates. This will help us plan the music and prepare for NACHO meetings.
3. Find a personal teacher – see the **Sources of personal instruction** on the front of this Information Sheet.
4. Rent or buy the instrument, if you do not already have one, with help from your private teacher.
5. Begin your lessons. We prefer that you begin the lessons before the start of a term so you have an introduction to the instrument before NACHO meetings start up. Personal instructors are an important resource and provide support for your musical experience in NACHO. Our Music Director teaches us how to play together as an orchestra. Mastery of your particular instrument is up to you.
6. After submitting the Questionnaire, complete the online NACHO Membership Application (<https://nachomusicsociety.ca/nacho-membership-application/>) on our website and remit the dues by eTransfer before our first session for your chosen Term to register.
7. Attend NACHO meetings!

Important Covid-19 Notice:

If you are not feeling well, please do not attend the NACHO Practice Session. Information on Covid-19 symptoms is available here:

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/symptoms-covid-19>