



## The Northern Hills Fiddlers

### Information and Policies Fall 2009

#### Classes and Individual Fiddle Coaching

Classes begin Wednesday September 9, 2009 and continue through Wednesday June, 16, 2010. Classes are held on two to three Wednesdays per month at 6:30—7:30 pm at Cardel Place, Genstar Community Wing, in the Administration Area. There are 25 classes in the 2009-2010 course year.

All students have a 45-minute private fiddle lesson each month. These coaching sessions are usually scheduled for the Wednesday evenings when we do not have fiddle class.

Membership in the Northern Hills Fiddlers costs \$725.00 per year. This fee covers all classes, recitals and performances during the year. Students joining us after September 9th will pay a reduced, pro-rated fee based on the actual date of enrollment.

A non-refundable \$25.00 registration deposit is required at the time of registration. This fee is used to offset the cost for printing, photocopies, and other teaching supplies.

#### Missing Classes

The fee pays for the “slot” of time when the fiddle class is scheduled. Therefore, if the student misses a class for *any* reason, it cannot be rescheduled. If a fiddler has a serious illness or emergency requiring hospitalization, and the illness can be documented with a doctor’s note, it is possible to schedule a limited number of individual fiddle coaching sessions to help the student catch up with the rest of the group. There will be no returns of money for missed classes.

#### Performances

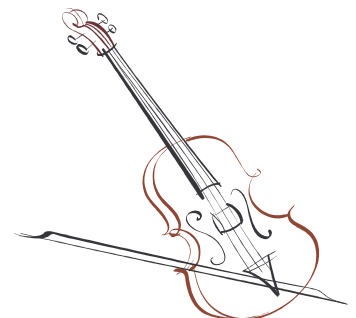
We play recitals in January and June, and give approximately five to 10 community performances per year. You will be given as much advance notice about upcoming performances as possible so that you can arrange to be there. Performance times and locations are announced in class and sent to you by email. Fiddlers are expected to attend all performances because every member of the Northern Hills Fiddlers is **important** and your absence affects the entire ensemble! If you must miss a performance for a very important reason, please provide prior notification in writing.

#### Cancellation policy

A minimum of one month’s notice, or payment in lieu of notice, is required if membership in the Northern Hills Fiddlers must be discontinued. Un-cashed cheques will then be returned to the student, but there will be no monetary refunds for classes not attended.

#### Books and CDs

We recommend that new fiddlers purchase the “The Fiddle Club” Introductory book and “Of Course You Can Play Fiddle Harmony” by Gordon Stobbe because many of our tunes are in these books. You will also be provided with binder of fiddle music.



Some of our students play pieces from “The Fiddle Club” books 1 and 2, and you may wish to purchase these books at a later time .

**Other supplies**

You will need to bring your own music stand to class...and your fiddle, of course.

**Practicing at home five times a week is expected.**

- Fiddlers should practice a minimum of 15 to 30 minutes per day.
- We encourage you to perform all pieces *without music*. If you listen to the tunes every day, memorizing the pieces will be easier.

**You are expected to be a team player**

- ◆ Ensemble playing is different from playing a solo piece. Fiddlers need to listen to each other and play together.
- ◆ Some of our fiddlers are intermediate players, and some of our fiddlers are beginners. Every fiddler is important, and everyone has a role to play.
- ◆ Sometimes you will play second fiddle, sometimes you will play first fiddle, or third fiddle. Each part is very important in producing the perfect sound.
- ◆ If you are a beginning fiddler, you probably won’t be able to play the more advanced pieces that the more experienced players are working on. Even when you can’t play a piece, the group still needs you for rhythm and for harmonization. There is always something you can contribute to a performance.

**Dress Code**

◇ Hoodies and thick-knit turtle-neck sweaters must not be worn to fiddle class. The bulkiness at the neck gets in the way of holding the instrument.

**Attitude: If you don’t want to learn, I am not able to teach you.**

Parents, no matter how much *you* want your child to learn,...if they are not willing, I cannot teach them. I will not fight with your child. Fiddlers need to be willing to work cooperatively with the other students and to accept direction from the instructors. A bad attitude will result in your child leaving class that day.

**I have read and understand the fees and policies of the Northern Hills Fiddlers,**

I wish to register \_\_\_\_\_ (student’s name) for fiddle classes.

\_\_\_\_\_ (print parent’s name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (date)

# 2009-2010

## Academic Year Calendar

### NORTHERN HILLS FIDDLERS CLASS SCHEDULE

### Notes

**X = CLASS DATE**  
**6:30 - 7:30 PM.**  
**EACH FIDDLE STUDENT WILL ALSO HAVE ONE PRIVATE FIDDLE CLASS EACH MONTH, SCHEDULED SEPARATELY.**

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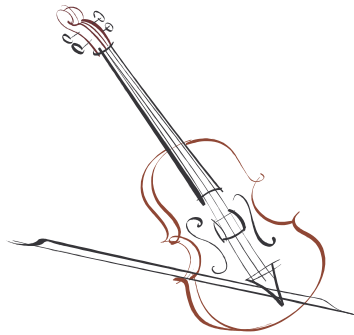
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## Student Information Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Number (parent or adult student): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Violin Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Violin Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

(Phone Number)

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print) of  
parent or adult student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





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## Emergency Medical Release Form

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Alberta Health Care Number \_\_\_\_\_

History of significant Health Problems \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies to Medications or Food \_\_\_\_\_

In case of an accident, or injury, I give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to receive medical attention which is deemed to be necessary  
by qualified medical personnel. The emergency medical release will be in effect during  
the entire time that me/my child (listed within) is participating in the Northern Hills  
Fiddlers program.

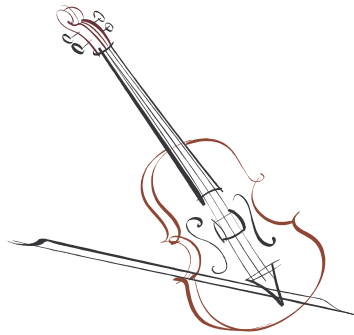
We will take reasonable steps to notify you in the event of an accident or injury requiring  
emergency care. If you cannot be contacted, permission is granted to Northern  
Hills Fiddlers Staff to seek medical attention. All financial responsibility for hospitali-  
zation and medical provided in case of an accident or injury, is to be assumed by the  
participant, parent, or guardian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent/guardian

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Or Participant \_\_\_\_\_

Other Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name & Phone Number



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## Photo, Video & Audio Consent & Release Form

From time to time, photographs, videos, and/or audio clips may be taken of you or your child engaging in Northern Hills Fiddlers activities. Northern Hills Fiddlers requests the right to use all photos, videos and/or audio clips taken of youth and adults during programs, concerts, and activities. These photos, videos and audio clips may be used for promotional brochures, or showcase of programs on our web site, local newspaper articles, and other not-for-profit purposes.

By signing this form, I consent to allow Northern Hills Fiddlers to use photos, videos, and audio clips of me. I am signing this form freely and without inducement.

### **My Contact Information:**

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (    ) \_\_\_\_\_      Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of participant \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

