



2010 SPRING SESSION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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Plugged In is a non-profit program for kids ages 11-20 that teaches them how to be in a rock band and, more importantly, about the importance of giving back to the community. At the end of each session, there is a benefit concert and all the students vote to choose the organization for which the concert will raise money. Plugged In is about bringing young people together through music, teaching them the importance of using their music to make positive change in the world, and helping them gain self-confidence. Through the creative and nurturing environment provided by the Plugged In program, students feel safe taking risks resulting in artistic growth and increased self-confidence.

CLASSES OFFERED:

BAND CLASS / \$600:

Meets once per week for 1.5 hours from the week of February 22 through the week of May 31

Each class has 4-6 students and 1 teacher and is comprised of drums, guitar, bass, and vocals. Some bands also have keyboards and horns. Teachers work with the bands on developing a set of songs to perform at the concert. The material performed by the bands is chosen by the students, with guidance from the teacher. Teachers help the students learn cover songs, as well as develop original songs if students are interested.

SONG-WRITING 2-DAY WORKSHOP / \$125:

Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25 from 1:00-6:00 PM

At the end of each Plugged In session there is a benefit concert that raises money for a charity chosen by the students. This workshop provides students the opportunity to learn more about the charity, learn song-writing techniques from professional song-writers, and write, perform and record an original song for a CD. On the first day of this workshop, a representative from the charity talks with the students about the work of their organization. By acquiring a deeper understanding of the cause, the experience of performing in the concert often becomes more meaningful for the students. Later in the day, students break into groups, led by professional song-writers, and write songs based on their reactions to what they have learned and/or on any subject of their choice. On the second day, we record the students performing their original songs and create a CD of these performances. Students also perform the original songs at the concert. All proceeds from the sale of the CD are donated to the charity.

INTRO TO LOCATION RECORDING 2-DAY WORKSHOP / \$140:

Saturday, April 24 from 12:00-6:00 & Sunday, April 25 from 1:00-6:00 PM

This workshop is held during the same time as the song-writing workshop and is for both non-musicians and musicians interested in learning how to record live music. On the first day, students will join the song-writing workshop participants when a representative from the charity talks about the work of their organization. Later in the day, a professional sound engineer will teach the students about the equipment and set up techniques used in live recording. On the second day, students will work with the sound engineer to record the song-writing students performing their original songs.

TUITION PAYMENT

Tuition is due at the time of registration. Please make checks payable to Plugged In. If paying by credit card, please enter credit card information on registration form. Thank you.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Partial scholarships are available. Please fill out scholarship form (available on the forms page at www.pluggedinband.org) and e-mail completed form to tanvacoeman@comcast.net. For questions regarding partial scholarships, please e-mail tanvacoeman@comcast.net.

REFUND POLICY

50% of the tuition will be refunded if student withdraws prior to the fourth class. Any student withdrawing on or after the fourth class will not be eligible for a refund.

TUITION FOR BAND CLASS INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

Weekly band classes

Community Engage Night – an evening potluck event at which students present to each other the causes and charities important to them. At the end of the evening, students vote to determine the charitable organization for which the concert at the end of the session will raise money.

Various performances at community events

Plugged In Spring Session Concert

HOW TO REGISTER

The spring session registration date is Sunday, January 24, 2010 from 3:00-6:00 PM at 214 Garden St. in Needham.

Returning Students:

Registration can be done in person on January 24 or by mail by sending completed registration form, Code of Conduct Agreement and Media Release/Assumption of Risk Form with payment by January 24 to:

Plugged In

146 Warren St.

Needham, MA 02492

(If paying by credit card, please fill out credit card information on registration form. If paying by check, please make check payable to Plugged In.)

New Students:

Registration must be done in person on January 24. Please call 781-956-4281 or e-mail srizkallah@comcast.net to schedule a placement meeting on January 24. At this meeting, we will get to know the student better to ensure proper placement in band. Please bring to registration completed registration form, Code of Conduct Agreement and Media Release/Assumption of Risk Form with payment. If paying by credit card, please fill out credit card information on registration form. If paying by check, please make check payable to Plugged In. If student is unable to come on January 24, please contact us to set up another time for a placement meeting.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed Registration Form
- Signed Code of Conduct Agreement (available at registration or downloadable from www.pluggedinband.org under forms)
- Signed Media Release/Assumption of Risk Form (available at registration or downloadable from www.pluggedinband.org under forms)
- Tuition payment

LOCATION OF CLASSES

Band classes take place at 214 Garden St. in Needham. Song-writing, and Location Recording workshops and Concert location is TBA.

2010 SPRING CALENDAR

REGISTRATION DATE	BAND CLASS DATES	VACATION DATES
Sunday, January 24	Week of February 22 through the week of May 31	April 4 April 17-25
WORKSHOP, PERFORMANCE and EVENT DATES		
Performance at Pollard Middle School Youth Center (for all middle school aged students)		March 12
Potluck Community Engage Night (for all students) Evening when students present charity ideas to each other and vote to determine the charity for which the June concert will raise money		March 13
3rd Annual Plugged In Jam-A-Thon (for all students) Students will perform LIVE to raise money for Plugged In		May 8
Song-writing 2-day Workshop (registration required)		April 24 & 25
Intro to Location Recording 2-day Workshop (registration required)		April 24 & 25
Performance at Needham Business Association Spring Fair (for all students)		June 5
Plugged In Spring Session Concert (for all students) Concert will take place over two nights. On registration form, please check off on which night it is most convenient for your child to perform		June 4 & 5