



Term Dates

Term Begins	Saturday 21st April
Term Ends	Wednesday 27th June
Summer School	Saturday 30th June to Thursday 5th July (inclusive)
Teaching resumes for 2012/2013 session on Saturday 8th September 2012	

ABRSM Exams

The next round of ABRSM practical exams will take place from Thursday 3rd to Sunday 13th May at Studio 2009 (Building 2 of the Gold and Diamond Park). Please ask your teacher for your exact date and time.

If you have never visited Studio 2009 before, please familiarise yourself with the location in advance and ask the ladies at the front desk to help you—they will gladly direct you there so that you are prepared for the exam day itself. As usual, students should arrive at Studio 2009 10mins early, already warmed up and ready to go.

If you require an accompanist for your exam, don't forget to arrange a rehearsal time with your teacher.

Good luck!

CMA Spring Fair

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all parents, students and staff who helped out at the recent CMA Spring Fair, and to everyone who came along on the day. The afternoon was a huge success and we raised a grand total of AED 20,000! This will help towards the upkeep of our Centre and be distributed between the charities that we support - you can log on to www.cmadubai.com to find out more about these initiatives. Below are a selection of pictures from the day. For the full gallery please visit our facebook page CMADubai.



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Tala Badri - Executive Director

Welcome to the third and final term of the year here at CMA. And what a term it's going to be! We are very busy this term with ABRSM exams and Instrumental Days and our Saturday Sessions, Jazz Band and Music for Little Mozarts students are already working hard towards their end of year performances. Preparations are also under way for our Summer School, which this year has an Olympic theme in keeping with London 2012. Details are under wraps at the moment but keep an eye on the notice boards for more information. So there is lots to keep you busy over the forthcoming summer months.

As we begin the term, please take a moment to take a look at the back page of this newsletter to familiarise yourself with the term dates. You can also find some information about the forthcoming ABRSM exams, taking place here at CMA early in May. If you are about to sit an exam remember that hard work pays off, it is important to keep calm and enjoy your performance and a smile for the examiner is always appreciated! Good luck to all students about to sit an exam.

At the end of last term, we were delighted to host our first ever annual Spring Fair. On a Friday afternoon in late March the Piazza outside CMA and More Cafe was transformed into a musical hotspot! With performances from CMA ensembles as well as music from our associated schools, students, parents, family and friends could enjoy BBQ, as well as a raffle, silent auction, photography station and much more! Take a look at the inside pages for pictures from the event and don't forget you can check out a whole selection of images online at our new website www.cmadubai.com and on our facebook page.

CMA was represented at the 2nd International Chopin Competition held here in the U.A.E recently. Piano students Leszek Trock, Xialin Zhang and Elizabeth Zubanova all won prizes at the competition. We'd like to say a huge well done to all three students, who performed very well on the day and were fine representatives of CMA. Excellent work!

And finally, if you are a brass player or a string player, look inside for some details about a very special day of music making happening especially for you at the end of April. Ask your teacher for more details of the day and how you can sign up!

Wishing you all a productive and happy term.

Tala Badri

Are you a brass or string player?

Come along to **Brass Bonanza** or **Simply Strings**
a day of music making created especially for you!



Friday 27th April
10am to 5pm
Dubai College

Ensemble playing, masterclasses and more.

Open to ages 8 and over

AED150 including all resources, snacks and lunch

Ask your teacher for more information

CMA Summer School Musical Olympics

Saturday 30th June to Thursday 5th July 2012



Do you have what it takes to compete?

More information coming soon.....

CMA Students at the Chopin Competition



Prize Ceremony

Congratulations to CMA students Xiaolin Zhang, Leszek Trock and Elizabeth Zubanova, who performed at the 2nd International Chopin competition in Abu Dhabi recently.

The competition is open to pianists of all ages and abilities and this year around 100 students aged between 5 and 30 and from 26 nations were competing in 9 different categories / age groups. All were performing in front of a panel of distinguished judges and acclaimed pianists from Europe and the Middle East. You can visit www.uaeicc.org for more information.

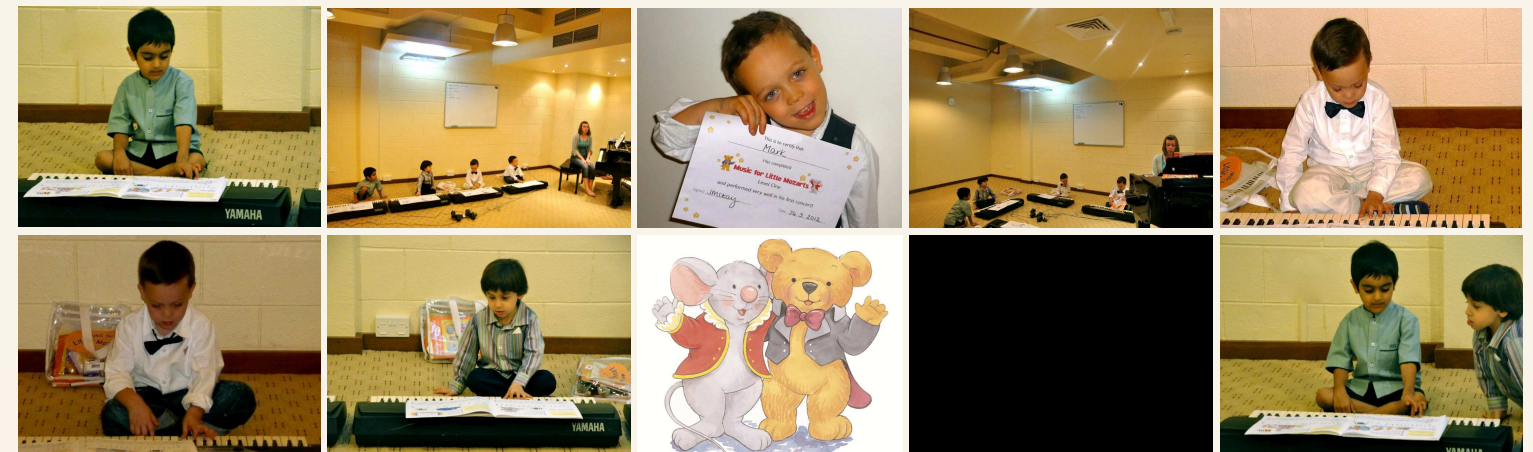
All our young pianists did very well. Leszek and Elizabeth were both awarded distinctions in their categories, while Xiaolin was awarded First Prize in his age group. Well done to all 3, who are a credit to our Centre.



The judges at work

Music For Little Mozarts

At the beginning of the year we started our first ever batches of Music For Little Mozarts classes - group piano instruction for ages 4 to 6. The groups have been working so well since September and have already finished book one! Here they are performing at their end of term concert. If you would be interested in signing your child up for Music for Little Mozarts classes or would like any more information, please do not hesitate to ask at the front desk. You can see more pictures and video from the concert on our facebook page.



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