

SHSU School of Music  
**Collaborative piano assignment overview agreement**

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**Staff pianist assignments will include**

- All instrumental students will receive **up to 6 one-hour sessions per semester**.
- These **6 one-hour sessions** are used **ONLY** in preparation to the recital.
- The hour can be broken up into a ½ hour of rehearsal time, and a ½ hour of lesson time per week.
- Students will receive a stamp from the staff pianist for each 30-minute rehearsal/lesson.
- The recital is *not* part of the staff pianist assignment (see below for recital fee.)
- It is the responsibility of the student to contact their assigned staff pianist during or before the first week of classes to schedule a rehearsal and lesson time.
- There is a **MANDATORY MEETING** with students giving recitals each semester (meeting time/location is communicated at the beginning of each semester). All students **MUST** attend this meeting or they will not be provided with a staff accompanist for the semester.
- Rehearsals begin on a predetermined date that is communicated at the beginning of each semester. Failure to adhere to the rehearsal times will result in forfeiture and the staff pianist is not obligated to make them up. Any deviations should be cleared through Dr. Ilonka Rus: Lir001@shsu.edu
- By the third week of classes, the Recital date **MUST** be set or the student will lose their staff pianist.
- Graduate students, seniors, and juniors *giving a recital this semester* will receive priority.
- Dress rehearsal will be covered by the Staff Pianist.

**Fee Schedule**

- Recital/performance Fee - \$50.
- Dress rehearsal Fee - \$50
  - Recital fee + Dress rehearsal fee = \$100
    - These fees are due and payable to Staff Pianist at required organizational meeting at the *beginning* of each semester. **Students will not receive a staff pianist assignment, if the \$100 fee is not paid at the organization meeting.**
- **The student will pay extra fees directly to the staff pianists.** \$40/hr, the student will pay for any additional rehearsal time, such as recital previews, studio classes, etc. The recital preview fees need to be paid one week in advance. If the previews are each up to a half an hour increment the student will pay \$25.00. If the previews exceed half an hour increment and are up to an hour, the student will pay the full hourly amount of \$50.

**Rehearsal/lesson/dress rehearsal/recital responsibilities**

- In case of any cancellation (rehearsal, lesson), the student must notify in advance the Staff Pianist by e-mail, phone or text message. Any unexcused absence will be taken from the 6 hours rehearsal/lesson time.
- The student must give a four week prior notice to the Staff Pianist for his/her dress rehearsal with specific date/time.
- The student is responsible in providing a page turner for the Staff Pianist at the dress rehearsal/recital.
- PLEASE do not forget to include the name of the Staff Pianist in the recital program.

**If the Staff Pianist is hired to play for any performance (i.e. studio class, forum, off-campus, etc) it is the responsibility of each student to inform the Staff Pianist at least 48 hours prior to the engagement.**

I have read and agree to the terms of this Agreement.

Teacher's e-Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's e-Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM TO DR. ILONKA RUS VIA EMAIL:  
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