



TO: SUMMER 2025 KEYBOARD EXPLORATIONS PARTICIPANTS

Welcome

We look forward to having you join us for this year's *Keyboard Explorations*. We are delighted to have this opportunity to make music with you and hope your five days with us will be fun and inspiring. The schedule will be given to you at the welcome session on Sunday.

Please feel free to email us with any questions or concerns you have during the program, or contact the Eastman Community Music School office, open weekdays from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Summer Manager, Shaya Greathouse, 585-274-1404 or sgreathouse@esm.rochester.edu).

Orientation and Welcome Session

On the Sunday before the first day of each program (**Sunday June 22 for Session I; Sunday July 20 for Session II**) we will gather for an orientation session in Hatch Recital Hall at 6:30 pm at the Eastman School of Music, 26 Gibbs Street. This will include a faculty recital! All program participants are expected to attend, and parents are encouraged to attend.

Dates and Arrival

Keyboard Explorations meets Monday through Friday from 9 am to 4 pm each day. Students should be dropped off and picked up every day at the Hatch Hall entrance to Eastman School, located on East Main Street at the corner of Swan Street. (This is the modern glass building adjacent to Eastman Theatre).

Students will receive information and name badges from us at our Orientation and Faculty Recital.

Our daily lunch break will be hosted at the Betty's Café on the first floor of Kodak Hall. All students start the day together for morning meeting and close the day together before dismissal. The students will be escorted between classes and buildings and monitored during lunch.

Pick-up

Parents are always welcome to park and walk to the Hatch Hall Atrium of Eastman to pick up their child at 4 pm, or simply drive up and wait at the curb on Main Street. Students should be picked up no later than 4:15 pm.

What to Bring Every Day

Everyone is expected to bring their lunch (refrigeration is not provided), music, and a pencil.

ID Cards

Summer name tags on lanyards will be distributed to each student that they must wear each day of the program.

Parking

Parking is available at the East End Garage behind Eastman School of Music. Limited parallel parking is available on Main Street and on Gibbs Street (north of Main Street). There is no free parking downtown during regular business hours.

Participant Performances

The *Keyboard Explorations* program culminates in a concert that will be open to families and friends of students. The concert for **Session I** will be **Friday, June 27 at 3:30 pm** in Hatch Recital Hall, and for **Session II** will be **Friday, July 25 at 3:00 pm** in Hatch Recital Hall. Cameras and phones may be used to take pictures or videos during the performance as long as there is no flash nor any recording lights. All concerts are livestreamed and recorded.

Recording

We will record all performances and share it to you at the end of the program. Parents may record the performance as long as there is no flash nor any recording lights. Making a recording should not distract the performers.

Virtual Tour of Gibbs Street

To view Gibbs Street

- Go to Google maps (<https://www.google.com/maps>) and enter “10 Gibbs Street, Rochester, NY”
- A red bubble will appear on the map. Left click on it and select “Street view.”

This is the beginning of Gibbs Street. Use your mouse to select what you would like to see; drag your mouse to turn.

The Eastman Community Music School & Summer Session Office is immediately on the right. (Java’s Coffee is in our building.) The Sibley Music Library is on the left. The entrance to Eastman School of Music is at 26 Gibbs Street under the marquee. The Eastman Theatre is at the corner of Main Street also under the marquee. Across Main Street is the Metro YMCA. The Eastman Student Living Center is the high rise farther down the street.



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