

Keyboard Explorers Class Level Guide

Ages 18+

LEVEL 1

BOOK Alfred's Piano 101 Group Course for Adults, Book 1

STUDENTS WILL LEARN

- Playing posture, hand position,
 & basics of piano technique
- Basic note values (quarter, half, dotted half, whole, tied notes)
- Dynamics (piano, forte, mezzo-forte)
- Black & white keys
- The staff

- Playing position (Middle C, C, and G)
- Treble clef & bass clef
- Intervals (2nd-4th-5th)
- Articulation (slurs)
- Famous pieces, such as "When the Saints Go Marching In" and "Ode to Joy"

LEVEL 2

Prerequisites: Completion of Level 1 within six months of the start of the Level 2 class **OR** recommendation by the Program Liaison for students with prior musical background that have not taken the Level 1 class. Email classes@omahacm.org for class placement.

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STUDENTS WILL LEARN

- Playing posture, hand position,
 & basics of piano technique
- Basic note values (quarter, half, dotted half, whole, tied notes, dotted quarter)
- Dynamics (piano, forte, mezzo-forte, pianissimo)
- Time Signatures (2/4)
- Chromatic scale

- Half & Whole Steps
- Major 5-Finger Patterns, Triads,
 & Scales
- Chords (C/F/G/G7)
- Form (A/B)
- The damper pedal
- Articulation (slurs, staccato, legato, accent marks)



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LEVEL 3

Prerequisites: Completion of Level 2 within six months of the start of the Level 3 class **OR** recommendation by the Program Liaison for students with prior musical background that have not taken the Level 2 class. Email **classes@omahacm.org** for class placement.

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STUDENTS WILL LEARN

- · Playing posture, hand position and basics of piano technique
- Basic note values (quarter, half, dotted half, whole, tied notes, dotted quarter)
- Dynamics (piano, forte, mezzo-forte, pianissimo)
- Arpeggios, harmonizing, 12-bar blues, D.C. al coda, subito
- Time signatures (2/4, cut time)
- Half & whole Steps
- · Major 5-finger patterns, triads and scales
- Chromatic scale
- Chords (C/F/G/G7)
- Form (A/B & A/B/A)
- Intervals (2nd-4th-5th-6th-7th-8th)
- The damper pedal
- Articulation (slurs, staccato, legato, accent marks)