

# INFORMATION FOR THE NEW SEMESTER 2023–2024

## NEW STUDENTS

### PREPARATORY TUITION AND WIND INSTRUMENT KICK-OFF

Teachers will discuss the scheduling of the lessons with the guardians of their pupils on **10–11<sup>th</sup> August**. The discussions will be carried out either by phone or in an initial meeting organized by the teacher.

At the beginning of the semester, our teachers will also give our preparatory tuition students and wind instrument kick-off students more information about our practice orchestra Valonsäde. Preparatory tuition and wind instrument kick-off does not include any lessons in music theory and solfège.

### BASIC EDUCATION IN MUSIC

#### The school for young singers, basic studies and advanced studies

If you have completed studies in another music school, please send a transcript detailing your previous studies to us at [konservatorio@konservatorio.fi](mailto:konservatorio@konservatorio.fi) by 9<sup>th</sup> August.

#### Instrumental studies

Our teachers will contact their students **10–11<sup>th</sup> August** (possibly earlier) to schedule their lessons. It is recommended to sign up for a music theory and solfège group before scheduling any instrument or singing lessons. You can find the syllabus from our web page, from Lukuvuosi > Lukujärjestykset.

#### Music theory (musiikin perusteet, mupe)

**NEW students aged 6 to 8** (pre-schoolers and 1st and 2nd graders) have the option to sign up to a voluntary course called Avaimet musiikkiin (Keys to music) **10–13<sup>th</sup> August**. The form will be published on our Finnish website and is accessible via the “Ajankohtaista” (“Current matters”) box on our web page.

**NEW students aged 9 to 11** (3rd and 4th graders) beginning their studies in music theory and solfège can sign up to one of the mupe 1a groups via an online form which opens on **August 10<sup>th</sup> and closes on August 13<sup>th</sup>**. The form will be published on our Finnish website and is accessible via the “Ajankohtaista” (“Current matters”) box on our web page. Please note that these students do not participate to the mupe kick-off meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> August.

#### NEW students over the age of 11

will come to the conservatory to discuss and reserve a place for a suitably level mupe group on Thursday **10<sup>th</sup> August between 5 and 6.30 pm**.

## **Orchestras, chamber music and choirs**

Our teachers will match each of their students with an orchestra or a chamber music group best suited to their skill level once the semester has begun. The orchestra schedules are published on our website at <https://www.konservatorio.fi/orkesterit-ja-kuorot/orkesterit/>.

To sign up for choirs for children and for young singers, please use the online form accessible via the "Ajankohtaista" ("Current matters") box on our web page, **before 13<sup>th</sup> August**. The form is already open. More information about our choirs can be found on our website: <https://www.konservatorio.fi/orkesterit-ja-kuorot/kuorot/>.

## **RETURNING STUDENTS**

### **BASIC EDUCATION IN MUSIC**

#### **Instrumental studies**

The students will schedule their instrument or singing lessons with their teachers via phone on **10– 11<sup>th</sup> August**, unless the teacher has reached out before this date. It is recommended to sign up for a music theory and solfège group before scheduling any instrument or singing lessons.

#### **Music theory (musiikin perusteet, mupe)**

Students in groups of music theory 1a, 1b and 2a last semester are automatically transferred to their new mupe groups. There is no need to assign for the groups again. Please discuss possible changes directly with the teacher. You will find information regarding the new groups from our web page, from Lukuvuosi > Lukujärjestykset

A possible change of group time will be arranged in August with Maria Hyvärinen [maria.hyvarinen@konservatorio.fi](mailto:maria.hyvarinen@konservatorio.fi) tel. 040-4836227 or Soila Jaakkola [soila.jaakkola@konservatorio.fi](mailto:soila.jaakkola@konservatorio.fi).

**Students who are about to start one of the following mupe courses** must register to the level appropriate group via our web page **10–13<sup>th</sup> August**. You will find the registration link from our web page "Ajankohtaista" (Current matters) on 10<sup>th</sup> August.

#### Basic studies

- avaimet musiikkiin / Keys to Music (ages 6 to 8)
- mupe 1a (ages 9 to 11)
- mupe 1 (12-years-old and older, and choir students)
- journey to the Eras of Music (a compulsory course)
- music theory for adults 1 to 3
- mupe 3 (an optional course unless the student intends to pursue advanced studies)

#### Advanced studies

- music theory and solfège (a compulsory course)

- theory of harmony (optional course, especially for those aiming for professional music studies)
- music history (optional course, alternative with theory of harmony)

Note! If the desired group is full already, please choose another group of appropriate skill level. If you don't fit in any of the groups, sign up for the queue at the link "I didn't fit in the group, but I want to join".

### **Orchestras, chamber music and choirs**

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To sign up for choirs for children and for young singers, please use the online form accessible on our home page via the "Ajankohtaista" ("Current matters") box between May 15<sup>th</sup> and August 13<sup>th</sup>. More information about our choirs can be found on our website:

<https://www.konservatorio.fi/orkesterit-ja-kuorot/kuorot/>.

**We will inform our students or their guardians about decisions concerning the right to study a second instrument, switching main instruments, changing teachers, receiving additional tuition, etc. by email by the beginning of the school year.**