

Studio of Victoria Sabonjohn

Oboe Lesson Information

Lesson Times and Location:

Weekly lessons are recommended, with a length of time based on the student's age and level. Lessons take place at my home studio in Burbank, California or at Glendale Adventist Academy. During the 2020 COVID-19 crisis lessons take place only via video conferencing such as Zoom.

Lesson materials:

Students are required to purchase lesson materials, reeds and supplies (as needed) and bring to each lesson. Instruction focuses on developing breathing, embouchure, fingering, rhythmic and articulation skills as well as developing good practicing habits.

Required Lesson Materials:

Reeds

Silk oboe swab

Small cup for water to soak reeds (35 mm film canister or similar)

Lesson book

Lesson Rates:

\$37.50 per half hour

\$53 per 45 minutes

\$70 per hour

Reeds:

Beginner:

Emerald Cane Oboe Reed (MS or M)

Advantage Cane Oboe Reed (M)

Intermediate:

Allan Concert Oboe Reed (M or MH)

Emerald Artist Oboe Reed (M or MH)

Advanced:

Lesh PRO Oboe Reed (MH)

Stuart Dunkel Professional Can Oboe Reed (M or MH)

Practicing:

Practicing to become a musician is like doing homework for school and is very important to your growth as a musician. To reach your full potential, you should practice at least half an hour a day if you are a beginner and at least an hour if you are more advanced. You will find that the more you practice, the better you get, and the more fun you will have!

Recommended Method Books:

Beginning:

Rubank Elementary Method, Rubank. Inc., publisher

Gekeler Method for Oboe, Book 1, Warner Brothers Publications, publisher

Intermediate:

Rubank Intermediate Method, Rubank. Inc., publisher

Gekeler Method for Oboe, Book 2, Warner Brothers Publications, publisher

Nieman Method for Oboe, Carl Fisher, publisher

Advanced:

Rubank Advanced Vol. I – II, Rubank Inc., publisher

Ferling/ Andraud 48 Famous Studies For Oboe, Southern Music Co., publisher

Barret Oboe Method, Boosey & Hawkes, publisher

H. Voxman Selected Studies for Oboe, Rubank Inc., publisher

Hite Foundation Studies for Oboe, Southern Music Co., publisher

Andraud Vade-Mecum of the Oboist, Southern Music Co., publisher