

## ART SHOWS AND RECITALS



Blackbird Academy offers many opportunities for our amazing students to share their talents.

### Music Recitals

Blackbird Music & Art Center presents two student recitals each year, one in the May and one in December. Participation is optional.

Students are encouraged to perform in a relaxed environment at the facility for family and friends. It is a great way for all of the students to gather and share their talent.

### "Open Mic Night"

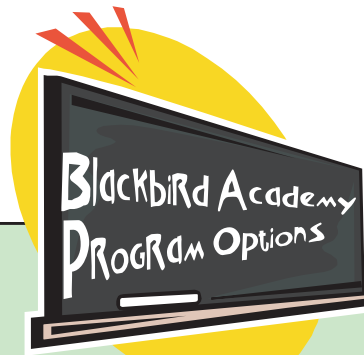
The first Friday of each month is "Open Mic" Night from 8-10pm. This family orientated event draws a great crowd each month of Blackbird students, beginning through advanced performers as well as experienced musicians and bands. It's a great way to get out there and perform in a fun and relaxed environment!

### Student Art Shows

Blackbird Music & Art Center also presents two student art shows per year. Students are given a theme and guidelines in which to create their art.

All art is submitted by grade level category and hung on display in the Blackbird Gallery. An artist reception kicks off the event with refreshments and recognitions throughout the evening.

Student art shows are a great way to display talent for family and friends as well as sharing within the community.



### Month to Month Rates

Classes meet once a week unless otherwise noted on the schedule. Tuition is paid in advance and is due on the last lesson of each month.

### Multiple Classes & Family Rates

Enrolled families with more than one child or students enrolled in more than one class will receive an additional 10% discount on tuition.

### Cancellation Policy

In order to schedule a make-up lesson, 24 hour notice is required for canceling private lessons. There are no make-up lessons available for any group classes. Pro-rated rates are available for vacations or other prescheduled days of absence that are given to Blackbird in advance at time of tuition payment.

**PLEASE SEE SCHEDULE FOR CLASSES & RATES**



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Blackbird Academy offers a variety of Music and Art classes for home schooled students. Complement your curriculum with Music and Art classes that are aligned with Arizona State Standards.

The Arts are an important part of your child's curriculum. Studies show that children who do art read better and do better in math and science. When art is integrated with other curriculum areas children become more engaged in the learning process. Art also teaches children how to engage in creative problem solving and another study revealed that children with music lessons had better memories as well as higher literacy and math levels. Most important, the Arts help to enhance a child's self esteem.

Blackbird Academy has developed an enhanced Art and Music program just for home schoolers with several available options for learning.

## Visual Arts



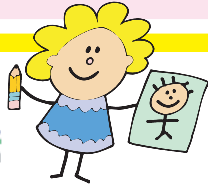
Aligned with Arizona State Standards, Classes will explore tools, techniques, mediums and various styles of art throughout the world.

The works of famous artists will be viewed, discussed and techniques will be replicated in this fun and exciting art exploration class.

Students will learn some basic drawing and sketching techniques as well as experimenting with a variety of mediums including, acrylic paints, watercolor paints, oil paints, pastels, marker art, and sculpture.

Many cross-curriculum lessons can be applied in social studies, math, literature and music as students learn some fascinating multicultural lessons in art.

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As an added feature, Blackbird Music and Art Center has joined Artsonia along with schools across the nation to participate in the world's largest on-line Art Gallery of Student work at [www.artsonia.com](http://www.artsonia.com). Once parents sign a permission slip, Blackbird will photograph and upload student's art into a secure personal on-line student art portfolio. Students are given a password and can access their gallery at any time with dozens of cool features. Make personalized e-mail cards with your child's art to send to family and friends, order cool merchandise with your child's art printed on it, start fan clubs and much, much more! It's a great way to build your child's self esteem and share their art with others!

## General Music

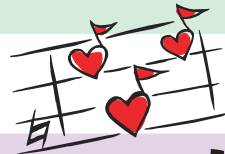


Aligned with Arizona State Standards, our general music classes are designed to introduce kids to the infinite world of music. Students will learn about basic concepts of music including pitch, rhythm and melody, and then use those skills to discover what makes music really work.

A variety of instruments including guitar, piano, percussion, wind instruments and strings will be introduced with hands-on demonstrations throughout the class and students will learn how to sing using solfeggio (do, re, mi) which will help them better understand music notation and theory as it applies to songs they already know.

Students will learn about different musical styles and multicultural genres that can be used as cross-curriculum in others lessons such as literature, social studies, and art.

Other topics like songwriting, harmony, theory and music history will also be taught in this fun-filled class of music discovery!



## Private Music Lessons

Blackbird Music and Art Center offers private lessons for most instruments including strings, piano, voice, drums, percussion, guitar, bass, brass, and woodwinds. Private lessons are 30 minute sessions with an instructor one-on-one. All of our teachers are highly qualified and experienced in teaching students according to their individual needs.

Students are given customized lesson plans to help achieve their goals. We encourage our students to perform as much as possible and our center will provide regular opportunities for students to show what they have learned.

## Group Guitar



Group guitar lessons are a great way to introduce your child to acoustic guitar. Students will learn the beginning basics including proper playing techniques as well as care and maintenance of their instrument.

Students will follow a lesson plan and learn basic chords and notes and will be able to play beginning level songs.

Rental guitars are available.

## Band & Orchestra



Our band & orchestra program for all strings, brass, woodwinds and percussion allows students to experience making music as an ensemble. Students will learn proper technique and musicianship while enjoying the fellowship of their peers. Musical notation will be taught and core music concepts will be strengthened through out the semester. Beginning and intermediate classes are available.

## Instrument Rentals

Blackbird rents a full range of Milano band and orchestra instruments starting at \$19.95 per month. Several rental options are available and all rentals include insurance.

A variety of books and accessories are also available.

Instrument repair services can also be arranged through Blackbird.

