NEW VIRTUAL Evaluations for students in CHICAGOLAND.

Is your child's schedule too tight to drive to the Young Performers Awards?

Now you can participate by using Goto Meeting on your computer (or) use FaceTime on your Apple device.

As a way to provide greater access to students who live far away from the YPA venue, we have created the option to participate in Evaluations and Scale Olympics remotely.

Parents and students can now connect to Virtual Evaluations by using Goto Meeting on their computer or FaceTime on their Apple device. The Evaluation and Scale Olympics process is exactly the same as an in-person appointment. Students and Christie can interact in real time which is a great benefit for students who might miss the Young Performers Awards due to other commitments. Comment sheets will be scanned and emailed to the family immediately after the evaluation. Awards will be presented at the Blue Ribbon Recital on Saturday afternoon. Theory awards are also presented at this time.

To participate, parents call the office to schedule an evaluation time just as they would with an in-person appointment. The next step is to return: 1) the student's registration form, 2) a set of comment sheets, and 3) the YPA payment. If you are an Auto Pay Client, you can opt to have the charges processed on your account or pay by check. Registration materials must be received ahead of time and can be sent to either of the addresses below.

Please only email your materials if you are selecting the Auto Pay, payment option.

Email: Chicago@pianolessonsinyourhome.com

Pay by check option:

Mailing Address: Piano Lessons In Your Home,

Attn: Christie Chiles Twillie / Virtual Evaluation

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Virtual Evaluation connection options:

- · Iphone owners can use FaceTime for the evaluations.
- · Ipad owners can use <u>FaceTime or GotoMeeting</u> for evaluations.
- · People who have computers with a webcam can use Goto Meeting for evaluations.
- Iphone and Surface owners cannot use Goto Meeting even though it's available through an app because the webcam will not function.

FaceTime is an app that comes on Iphones and Ipads. FaceTime users connect to their appointment by calling Christie Chiles Twillie's Ipad. Parents must add ad@pianolessonsinyourhome.com to the FaceTime Contacts before making the call. Connect by calling the email address: ad@pianolessonsinyourhome.com when it is time for the student's evaluation. Please do not call early as it may disrupt another appointment.

Goto Meeting users will be given a meeting ID for their appointment. To connect by computer, open your browser and visit www.gotomeeting.com. When prompted to join a meeting, enter the ID provided. Parents using an Apple device must download the free Goto Meeting app prior to being able to access the meeting ID prompt. Please note that Surface and devices that use Windows NT will not work properly and cannot be used for these appointments.

Call your local office if you have questions about how to participate. CHICAGO: 773-334-0181