



2025-2026 Season

AMSP Packages & Important Dates

Welcome to AMSP! We're glad to have you in the program!

AMSP offers three possible tracks of study in our program, choose the package best for you

ALL AMSP activities take place with a total of 30 weeks of instruction held between Labor Day and Memorial Day Weekends.

ALL AMSP registrations will include an **additional \$50 registration fee** that will be waived for attendance at the **August 29, 2025 Registration and Open House event** at Garth Newel Music Center.

Packages

Virtuoso - Enrolled in private lessons AND at least one group class

FEE STRUCTURE (Monthly Payments Available)

30 minute lessons \$950 + class \$500 = \$1450 **ACTUAL FEE \$850**

45 minute lessons \$1400 + class \$500 = \$1900 **ACTUAL FEE \$1250**

60 minute lessons \$1850 + class \$500 = \$2350 **ACTUAL FEE \$1650**

Requirements:

ONE Regional Spring Concert & rehearsal

Final Showcase at GNMC & rehearsal

Regular attendance to lessons and classes

Minimum Attendance at One Concert Per Year at GNMC (as audience member)

Minimum attendance at 6 available extra events (12+ opportunities offered)

Must practice regularly as advised and agreed upon by instructor

Opportunities for honor activities when chosen (potential trip to other programs, tour, honor performances)

This track is partly subsidized by grant funding **Additional Need Based Scholarship available** with application

Virtuoso Cello SRO

FEE STRUCTURE

30 minute lessons \$950 + class \$500 = \$1450 **ACTUAL FEE \$0**

Special Recruitment Opportunity for 2025: first 5 cellists to enroll, must be first time taking cello lessons, 30 minute track will be FULLY subsidized for one year. Does not include instrument rental.

ALL VIRTUOSO REQUIREMENTS LISTED ABOVE

Amateur - Enrolled ONLY in group class **** Grades 2-7 only ****

FEE STRUCTURE

Beginner Group Class \$800 **ACTUAL FEE \$0**

The track is subsidized, instrument rental is not covered

Requirements:

Regular class attendance

ONE Regional Spring Concert & Rehearsal

Final Showcase at GNMC & rehearsal

Minimum Attendance at One Concert Per Year at GNMC (as audience member)

Minimum attendance at 6 available extra events (12+ opportunities offered)

At home practice mandatory as directed by instructor

Soloist - Private Lessons Only

FEE STRUCTURE (Monthly Payment Plans Available)

30 minute lessons \$950

45 minute lessons \$1400

60 minute lessons \$1850

Private Lessons Only

No Requirement, but invitation to:

Regional Spring Concert & rehearsal

Final Showcase at GNMC & rehearsal

Free admission to all GNMC concert events that are not sold out

Extra AMSP community events

No scholarship available

Important dates to note

REQUIRED Recital Dates for your area (NOTE: these all include a Friday dress rehearsal):

Regional recital dates will be announced by August 2025

Final Showcase concert will be held on Sunday, May 17 at 3pm at Garth Newel Music Center

REQUIRED REHEARSAL: Friday, May 15 from 5:30-7:30pm at Garth Newel Music Center

AMSP COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY DATES: (additional dates will be announced in fall)

Registration and Open House Welcome Event August 29, 2025 4:30pm (GNMC)

Family Saturday Activities at Garth Newel will be announced by August 2025 (5 available)

Special MIDORI Education event Saturday, November 1

Kriskindlemarkt Holiday Performance at Clifton Forge School of the Arts November 21 or 22

Highland County Farmers Market (Dates TBA)

Soundscapes Residency, students from Soundscapes music program, Tidewater VA

Davidson Magnet Arts School Residency Event

AMSP FAMILY CONCERT BENEFITS!

All AMSP students have a free pass to every Garth Newel Music Center season event and one complimentary adult. You are welcomed and encouraged to attend as many events as you can. *We require all students to attend a minimum one non-student concert each year.*

General Policy Notes:

Cancellations, Make-up Lessons, Weather Closures:

Through the year there are two available make-up lessons for all students. To take advantage of make-ups, minimum one-day advance notice must be given for your cancellation. **AMSP does not guarantee a make-up for no call/no shows.**

With the continued growth of the studios **teachers cannot accommodate changing lesson times for everyone and does not offer this as a policy.** AMSP teachers will always make up or credit a lesson that they have to miss for any reason- and promise to keep any absences to a minimum as we also have a commitment to your excellence!

Communication Preferences:

We have noticed challenges in clear communication between office, teachers, and parents, and while we try to only connect when there is an important message, we realize today not everyone favors the same style of communication. We will be requesting you to give us your preference for communicating about AMSP events, rehearsal schedules, RSVP information, or reception help. We will make a point to

use the format you prefer if text, email, phone call, etc. In return we ask you please honor the messages that need response by communicating - even if the message is a note that you won't be attending, or cannot bring a dish etc. Closing the loop helps everyone!

Winter Weather and other regional closures policy

Weather closures will adhere to school closures. Delayed starts will **not** affect lessons; early releases due to weather MAY affect lessons- please call cell phone and/or home phone on early release days due to weather to confirm if lessons will be rescheduled. Weather closures are most often done now virtually. All weather closures WILL be made up either on a different day that week, or in June with a weather make up day before summer lessons begin.

The school divisions to use are as follow the county school calendar for each location.

Withdrawal, Relocation and Financial Hardship:

In the case of relocation or withdrawal a **two week notice** is required to which your non-refundable deposit can be applied notice is accepted with submission of our withdrawal form which can be sent to you upon request. For those who pre-paid for the year or semester you are eligible to apply for a partial refund for the unused lessons (**taking the 2-week notice into account**). If you have a change in circumstance that means you cannot pay your fees, talk first to your instructor before a withdrawal- we can often help find a way to continue. If you have an injury- please talk to your teacher, there are often great exercises or alternative activities you can do to keep moving forward. If you have concerns about how the lessons are going, please talk to your teacher - it is our goal to create the most positive experience possible!

I have read and understand these policies and agree to them:

Parent Printed Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

I intend to register for these students and packages:

Student: _____ Instrument: _____ Package: _____

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