

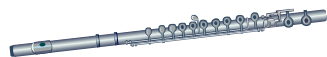
The Purpose

Founded in 1993, Clare Music Makers (CMM), with studios located in Ennis town centre, is a partnership of professional musician-teachers committed to the highest standards in music teaching and performance. The teaching approach is supportive, non-competitive and motivational, with an emphasis on parental involvement.

The Mission of Clare Music Makers is to advance and encourage the art of music by:

- the provision of classical music instruction and performance opportunities;
- the promotion of musical events, including concerts, recitals, workshops and special celebrations;
- the encouragement of outreach musical activities and events in schools, libraries, hospitals, homes for the elderly and in cultural and resource centres;
- the encouragement and support for the commissioning and performance of new compositions;
- the development of public appreciation and support for classical music.
- the promotion of the Shannon region as a destination for music students and visitors from Ireland and other countries.

Concerts



Concerts are an important and integral feature of CMM's activities. Students are expected to attend as many concerts as possible, whether or not they take part as performers. All students registered in CMM programmes will have the opportunity to perform in studio recitals and/or CMM concerts.

Child Protection Policy

Here at Clare Music Makers we are committed to providing a safe environment for children and young people. Our teachers are Garda Vetted. Children's welfare and safety is our top priority. We comply with Children First: National Guidelines for Child Protection and Welfare. To help us achieve this, we have a Child Protection Policy and Procedures which guide our work. Copies of our Child Protection Policy are available at our office. Parents/guardians are children's primary carers. We work in partnership with parents/guardians to ensure children's safety and enjoyment of the activities we offer. We ask you to take some time to read our guidelines and programme information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Michelle Hennessy, our Designated Person for Child Protection.

Lessons & Fees: 15 Weeks

Registration Fee: A non-refundable Registration Fee of **€30 per family** is payable in advance of commencement of lessons. The Registration Fee covers the academic year September - June and must accompany the initial student registration.

Individual Lessons:

flute, recorder, oboe, clarinet, saxophone, brass, violin/viola, 'cello, piano, church organ, voice, drums & Traditional Irish Music

	30 Minute	45 Minute	60 Minute
Individual Lessons	€320	€480	€640

For grades 6 and above recommended lesson time is 45 minutes.

Recorder Groups	30 minutes	€100
Kinder Music-Makers	45 minutes	€100
Theory	60 minutes	€115
Aural Training	45 minutes	€ 90

Ensembles

Junior Ensemble	45 minutes.....	€ 45
Intermediate Strings	60 minutes.....	€ 55
Wind/Brass Ensemble	60 minutes.....	€ 55
Senior Orchestra	90 minutes.....	€ 75
Chamber Music Trio	30 minutes.....	€125
Chamber Music Quartet	30 minutes.....	€100

Instrument Rental Available



Regulations



Lesson & Class Fees: Students will be invoiced at the commencement of each term. Fees are payable during the third and fourth weeks of each term. Fees will not be refunded when lessons are discontinued during the term. Failure to pay fees when due will result in forfeiture of place.

Exam Fees: Students are encouraged to enter for approved external examinations. All exam fees must be paid by the student one week prior to the closing date. The consent of the teacher is always required.

Attendance: Regular attendance is required for all lessons, including ensemble classes. In cases of unsatisfactory attendance, students cannot be entered for exams and, in extreme cases; teachers reserve the right to discontinue lessons. Students are expected to be punctual, and where a student is 15 minutes, or more, late for a lesson, the lesson will be deemed to have been cancelled by the student. Student attendance records are kept by all teachers.:

Make-up Lessons: Students are expected to attend all lessons and classes at scheduled times. No financial adjustments will be made and no make-up lessons will be scheduled for lessons missed by students. Lessons missed by teachers will be made up during the CMM Make-up weeks or at a mutually agreed time.

Ensembles: All Instrumental students who have reached the requisite level are required to participate in an ensemble. Group music-making is central to the CMM approach.

Supervision: Clare Music Makers cannot be responsible for supervision of students outside of class times. In cases of unsatisfactory attendance or behaviour, teachers reserve the right to discontinue lessons.

Examinations & Certification

Students will be prepared for Associated Board and Royal Irish Academy of Music theory and practical examinations. Students entering for ABRSM practical exams at grade six or above must previously have passed the ABRSM's grade five theory.

Exam/Recital Accompanists

Although Clare Music Makers' teachers may recommend an accompanist for examinations and recitals, the hiring of an exam accompanist is by private arrangement and is the responsibility of the student/parent. Accompanist charges are not included in either the lesson fee or the examination fee.



Schedule of Lessons & Classes

During each of the two terms, students will receive **15** lessons or classes in every programme for which they have registered. All classes take place in Clare Music Makers Studios.

Kinder Music-Makers Wednesday 2.30 - 3.15 pm
(minimum class numbers apply)

Recorder Groups Wednesday & Friday

Instrumental Lessons Times to be arranged with teacher

Ensembles

Wind/Brass Ensemble Friday

Junior Ensemble 1 Saturday 10.00 – 10.45 am

Junior Ensemble 2 Saturday 11.00 – 11.45am

Intermediate Strings Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am

Senior Orchestra Saturday 11.00 – 12.30pm

Chamber Music Groups Times to be arranged

Theory

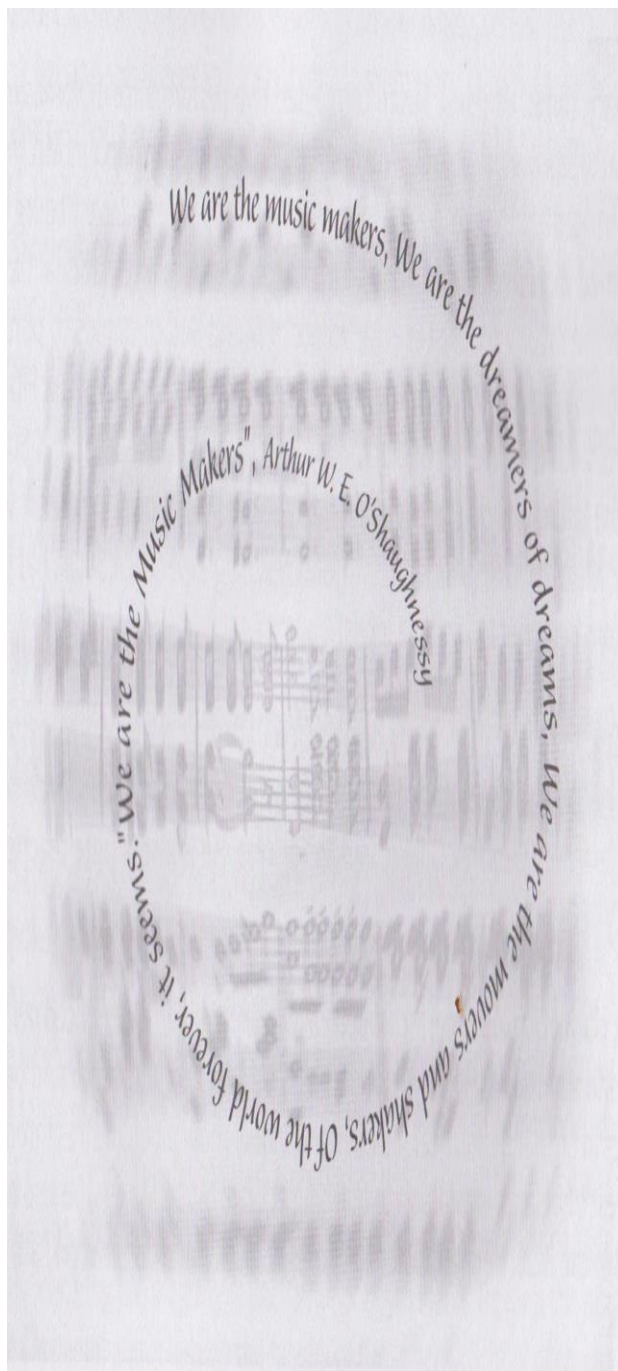
Grade 3 Tuesday 4.30 to 5.30 pm

Grade 2 Wednesday 4.30 to 5.30 pm

Grade 1 Wednesday 5.30 to 6.30 pm

Grade 4 & 5 Wednesday 6.30 to 7.30 pm

Aural Training – TBA



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