

# Private Mandolin Lessons

ROOTS offers private mandolin lessons. By learning to play an instrument like the mandolin, students gain a *range of skills* that last a lifetime.

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A staple in bluegrass, country and folk music, the mandolin is a unique stringed instrument, small in size with a trilling, light characteristic sound that adds an interesting texture to arrangements. ROOTS offers mandolin lessons, through which students learn the skills and dexterity needed to play with confidence – and have fun while doing it.

The mandolin is considered a medieval cousin to the lute with a large rounded back. Over time, it has evolved into the slimmer instrument we know today. Its four pairs of strings, each doubled in octaves, give it a signature timbre and produces a distinct tremolo when played with quick movement back and forth over the pairs of strings. Its versatility makes it an intriguing addition to many genres – even pop music.

The mandolin, *described as having a vibrant, organic sound*, has enjoyed a surge in popularity since the 1960s, and is used in a variety of musical styles, from bluegrass to classical.

Playing a stringed instrument like the mandolin teaches many skills to students that affect not only musical ability but *mental and emotional skills* as well, including:

- improved concentration
- improved dexterity and fine motor movement
- a sense of belonging and social skills with other players
- positive pressure to grow and learn
- increased self-confidence and inner motivation

“The sound of the mandolin ... is a very curious sound because it’s cheerful and melancholy at the same time, and I think it comes from that shadow string, the double strings.” –*Rita Dove*

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