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Join the Band® Music Lessons Studio, Sherman Oaks

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Join the Band® offers music lessons, band performance classes and summer classes for kids, teens and adults. Bands perform at real venues throughout Los Angeles such as the The Mint,

The Federal Bar and The Roxy Theatre. Owner John Mizenko opened Join the Band in 1998.

What would you like kids and parents to know about your business?

“We provide a friendly, professional music environment where kids look forward to coming in for their music lessons and classes. Our teaching staff is comprised of university-trained teachers who love to teach.”

What benefits do children gain from the services your business provides?

“Private lessons focus on the individual student and their specific goals and needs. Bands and camps introduce the value and importance of teamwork by having students participate with others to achieve a common goal. We teach our students that what they learn during their lessons and classes is more than just music. They are also learning the importance of teamwork, perseverance and preparation, and the value of setting and obtaining goals.”

What’s most rewarding about your work?

“Watching students (old and young alike) have ‘aha!’ moments when everything comes together at a show and/or a recital and they ‘get it.’ These moments are a big boost for how students feel about themselves, and they are a huge reward for their efforts to accomplish a goal. Join the Band has put on well over 200 concerts over the years, and I have seen the ‘aha!’ moment at every show.”

Fast Fact: Since Join the Band’s inception, they have enrolled more than 1,250 students and had more than 1,750 band performances at their concerts.