

NEW HORIZONS MUSIC NORTH YORK 2025-2026

Welcome to the 2025-2026 season of New Horizons Music North York. NHMNY is now into our ninth season of music making together.

I'm looking forward to another great year of concert band and ukulele classes.

All the information you need is in this package: class descriptions; locations; fees, and dates. Sign-up forms are attached. All the information is also available on our website: www.newhorizonsmusicnorthyork.ca

Thank you to Darchei Noam Synagogue and Bayview Glen Church, for continuing to host our classes and concerts.

I am also delighted to be once again offering two ukulele classes through the Miles Nadal JCC at Bloor and Spadina and online through NHIMA--New Horizons International Music Association.

Please feel free to forward this information package to your friends and family and never hesitate to reach out with questions and suggestions.

I'm looking forward to another great year of music making with you.

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NHMNY BAND CLASSES 2025-2026

NHMNY Wind Ensemble Sept 2025-June 2026

26 classes and 2 concerts on Monday evenings;

The NHMNY Wind Ensemble now in its ninth year, performs repertoire encompassing a wide array of music across many genres.

Members of this ensemble need to read and play at a minimum 200 Level—consistent with the completion of the second book in any standard Band Method series. Two to five years of experience playing in an instrumental ensemble is recommended. If you are looking to build upon your existing musical skills in a collegial and supportive wind ensemble, this is the group for you.

Classes will be **in person on Mondays from 7 to 9 PM** (*includes a 15 minute social break*) at Darchei Noam Synagogue at 864 Sheppard Ave West. Zoom is available upon request for those unable to attend in person or when the weather is inclement.

Dates: Sept: 8, 15, 29; Oct: 20, 27; Nov: 3, 17, 24; Dec: 1, 8

Holiday Concert: Mon. Dec 15 at 7:30 PM (with other NHMNY groups)

Jan: 19, 26; Feb: 2, 9, 23 Mar: 2, 9, 16; Apr: 6, 13, 20, 27

May: 4, 11, 25; June 1

Final Concert: Mon. June 8 at 7:30 PM (with other NHMNY groups)

Fees: Please see form: 'NHMNY Sign Up for WiND ENS 25-26

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NHMNY UKULELE CLASSES 2025-2026

IN PERSON CLASSES:

Beginner-Plus to Intermediate Ukulele

Tuesdays 10:00 to 11:30 AM Darchei Noam Synagogue

Beginner Ukulele at the JCC *:

Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:00 PM Miles Nadal JCC

JCC* Ukulele Ensemble

Wednesdays 10:30 to 12 PM Miles Nadal JCC

* For JCC classes go to: https://www.mnjcc.org/music

ON-LINE CLASSES

In association with NHIMA: New Horizons International Music Association

Beginner Ukulele: Thursdays 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

5 sessions starting September 11, 2025

Beginner-Plus to Intermediate Ukulele: 2026 dates to be determined

Jazz for Ukulele Players: 2026 dates to be determined

For more information and to register go to:

https://newhorizonsmusic.org/Virtual Events

BEGINNER-PLUS to INTERMEDIATE UKULELE

Sept 2025-June 2026

26 classes on Tuesday mornings and 2 concerts on Monday evenings

Dates: Sept: 9, 16, 30; Oct: 21, 28; Nov: 4, 18, 25; Dec: 2, 9

Holiday Concert: Mon. Dec 15 at 7:30 PM (with other NHMNY groups)

Jan: 20, 27; Feb: 3, 10, 17, 24 Mar: 3, 10, Apr: 7, 14, 21, 28

May: 5, 12, 26; June 2

Final Concert: Mon. June 8 at 7:30 PM (with other NHMNY groups)

The 'Beginner-Plus to Intermediate' ukulele class is for experienced ukulele players who want to improve their knowledge and skills while having a lot of fun in a supportive collegial group. The class can accommodate players with basic skills as well as more experienced players by offering a variety of parts and challenges for the same pieces.

The course will start with a gentle refresher of basic skills and will then move into learning more chords and strums through playing a wide variety of songs across an array of genres.

While the content of this course is primarily focused on ukuleles in the key of C (soprano, concert and tenor), this class can also accommodate baritone ukulele, bass ukulele, guitar and mandolin players who might wish to join the group. Participants must have their own instruments.

Basic skills include: holding and strumming a ukulele; knowing now to read and interpret a chord box; playing essential chords like C, F, G, G7, C7, D7, and being able to strum simple songs in a rhythmic manner.

Rehearsals will be **in person on Tuesday mornings from 10 to 11:30 AM at** Darchei Noam Synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W, North York (East of Wilson Heights at Wilmington). Zoom is always available to those unable to attend in person.

Fees: Please see form: 'NHMNY Sign Up for UKE Classes 25-26
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BEGINNER UKULELE*

Tuesdays 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

10 classes Sept-Dec 2025 *JCC classes typically continue into winter and spring terms.*

*Miles Nadal JCC 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor St), Toronto

This class is for beginners who wish to learn the basics of how to play the ukulele in a supportive collegial group. In only ten sessions, participants will learn: how to hold the instrument; how to play enough chords to play many popular songs; how to strum in a rhythmic manner, and how to play and sing together with others. Participants will play songs from the very first class.

For Dates and to Register go to: https://www.mnjcc.org/music

WEDNESDAY MORING UKULELE JAM*

Wednesdays 10:30 AM To 12:00 PM

10 classes Oct-Dec 2025 *JCC classes typically continue into winter and spring terms.*

*Miles Nadal JCC 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor St), Toronto

This class is for players with previous experience. Beginner plus players, intermediate and advanced players are all welcome. Classes will focus on playing interesting arrangements of songs across many genres including folk, pop, rock, and jazz. This class is the place to expand your knowledge of chords, strumming, and finger-picking patterns while having a lot of fun playing in a supportive and collegial ukulele ensemble.

Participants will be offered a 'buffet' of techniques that will challenge and satisfy each player at their level of expertise and enable the ensemble to play interesting and enjoyable arrangements of the class repertoire.

While the content of this course is primarily focused on ukuleles in the key of C (soprano, concert and tenor), this class can also accommodate baritone ukulele, bass ukulele, guitar and mandolin players who might wish to join the group. Participants must have their own instruments.

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NHMNY DATES for 2025-2026

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Mar:	2, 9, 16	3, 10
Apr:	6, 13, 20, 27	7, 14, 21, 28
May:	4, 11, 25	5, 12, 26
June	1	2
Spring Concert	Monday, June 8 at 7:30 PM	



TO SIGN UP FOR NHMNY CLASSES

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To sign up for the **NHMNY WIND ENSEMBLE** please use the form:

NHMNY WIND ENS Sign Up 25-26

To sign up for the **NHMNY UKULELE** please use the form:

NHMNY UKE Sign Up 25-26

To sign up for JCC Classes go to: https://www.mnjcc.org/music

To sign up for **NHIMA Virtual classes go to:**

https://newhorizonsmusic.org/Virtual Events

For NHMNY Policies and Procedures and Frequently Asked Questions please go to the NHMNY web site.

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS?

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