

Nicole Schmitt

Vocal Studio

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About Mrs. Schmitt

Mrs. Schmitt has been a music educator for 13 years. She has taught grades 7-12 in Bedford County and Roanoke City Public Schools. Mrs. Schmitt holds a Master of Arts Degree in Education And Curriculum Instruction and a Bachelor of Arts in Music Education and Vocal Performance. She has guest conducted multiple All-City and All-County Choruses across Southwest Virginia, trained and accompanied students to All-District Choir, All-Virginia Choir, Virginia Honors Choir, and various collegiate performing arts programs. Mrs. Schmitt also has an extensive performance career, from solo recitals and local community theatres to performing Opera in Italy! It is Mrs. Schmitt's passion and joy to see students experience their potential and gain confidence through music and singing. She can't wait to work with you!

Materials Needed for Lessons

- Refillable water bottle
- 3-ring binder (1.5"-2")
- Notebook paper
- Pencils
- Music
 - o We will figure this out as we go. But it is possible that you may need to purchase sheet music or music anthology textbooks as we progress through learning repertoire.

Scheduling

When you decide to join the studio, to be considered a "full-time student" you will commit to a "Quarter" at a time, or **8 lessons (or 8 weeks)**. ***If you are a bi weekly student, it will be half that.*** This ensures you are receiving the adequate amount of time to begin to see and hear progress! Additionally, it ensures that your time slot belongs to you for a significant amount of time and that Mrs. Schmitt's studio schedule can remain semi-consistent. At the end of the quarter, you will get priority over that time slot should you decide to continue. (The first two lessons will always be considered a "trial lesson," after which you may make your decision to commit to the full quarter.) ****You also get a price break if you sign up for this full time option!***

(Should you happen to start your lessons in the middle of a current Quarter, we'll adjust your payment schedule so that you are only expected to pay for the remainder of the Quarter and can then decide to start fresh when the next Quarter begins.)

If there are any holidays, school breaks, vacations etc. that fall in the middle of your Quarter and will affect your ability to attend a lesson, we will work around those scenarios and adjust pricing, etc. Mrs. Schmitt just asks that you give ample prior notice.

o Lessons “a la carte”

Mrs. Schmitt understands that some students prefer to sign up for lessons “a la carte,” or one at a time on an “as needed” basis. If you prefer to simply schedule a lesson when you can or a customize a package of a couple lessons to prepare for an audition, etc., this is an option and every effort will be made to accommodate you. However, please understand there may not be a slot. Priority will be given to “full-time” students who have committed to weekly lessons. Additionally, “a la carte” lessons will pay the hourly rate.

o Summer Lessons

Summer lessons will be much more flexible. Mrs. Schmitt teaches many school-age students, and her family operates on a “school” calendar as well. Summer lessons will be paid for one-at-a-time “a la carte” style. Times of lessons may also change because more students will be available during the day! If you are signing up for summer lessons, we can discuss scheduling together as we go. Summer Lessons will charge the full rate of \$60/hour.

Rates

Lesson Length	Quarterly Lessons (8 lesson bund	“A La Carte”
60 minutes	\$55/hour	\$60/hour
45 minutes	\$40/45 min	\$45/45 min
30 minutes	\$30/half hour	\$30/half hour

**Half Hour lessons are an option but are only recommended in certain circumstances. Please discuss your options with Mrs. Schmitt and we will decide together what is right for you!*

Payment Method

Payment is expected for the quarter at the start of the first lesson.

You may also choose to pay for one lesson at a time at the start of each lesson.

*Just know that if you choose that method and there is a reschedule or cancellation for any reason, you will still be responsible for payment at the time of the originally scheduled lesson. Every effort will be made to make sure a postponed lesson is rescheduled. If it is a circumstance out of our control (sickness, family emergencies, major school/work conflicts, etc.) and cannot be rescheduled and must be cancelled, you will not be charged for that lesson. Thoughtful consideration to the circumstance will be considered.

You may pay via cash, check (checks made out to *Nicole Schmitt*), or Venmo.

Venmo @Alex-Schmitt-10

Reschedule/Cancellation Policy

Life happens! But please understand that Mrs. Schmitt is making space and prioritizing this time with you. If you need to cancel or reschedule, please give at least a **24 hour notice**. Mrs. Schmitt will do her best to schedule a make-up lesson with you! Please see above for how payment will be handled in these scenarios.

If Mrs. Schmitt has to cancel for any reason, the same courtesy will be given and a make-up lesson will be scheduled at the earliest convenience!

Communication

Please communicate often! It is best to reach Mrs. Schmitt via email or text. Contact information is provided at the top of this document. Mrs. Schmitt is very reasonable, understanding, and accommodating. We can always work something out! Your experience and your progress as a singer and a person is the priority. Please reach out if you have a question, concern or a circumstance we need to work through together.

Location

Mrs. Schmitt will be teaching out of her home studio located in Roanoke, VA. Her studio is in Raleigh Court right near Patrick Henry High School and the All Sports Café.

Address:

2741 Tillett Rd SW

Roanoke, VA 24015

VIRTUAL OPTION: Mrs. Schmitt can also do lessons virtually via Zoom or Google Meet for long-distance students! Contact her if you'd like to discuss this option.

*Even if you are a local "in-person" student, we can change a lesson to Zoom in certain circumstances (ie: if you're under the weather but can still sing, are out of town, etc.)

COVID/Sick Policy

Mrs. Schmitt has little people in her household and we try to avoid sick germs as much as we can. If you or anyone in your household is experiencing any sick symptoms, Covid-like symptoms, tests positive for Covid-19, or has been in contact with someone who has been sick or tested positive for Covid-19. Mrs. Schmitt asks that you reschedule the lesson after the incubation period and/or after receiving a negative test. Mrs. Schmitt will do the same for you in return!

Please sign and return the bottom portion of this form.

I have read and understand the above policies and guidelines

**** Changes or additions may be made at any time as necessary**

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Cell #: _____ Student Email: _____

Guardian Name (if under 18): _____ Guardian Signature (if under 18):

Guardian Cell #: _____ Guardian Email: _____

2024-2025 Quarters

Quarter 1	September 11- October 30 (6 week session- No lessons 9/25 or 10/23))
Quarter 2	November 6- December 18 (6 week session- No lessons 11/27)
Quarter 3	January 15-March 5 (8 week session- No lessons March 12)
Quarter 4	March 19-May 7 (8 week session)

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