

# WDSS NOTES

## WDSS a Growing Musical Community

### Classical Christmas Listening

Fill your home and car with the beautiful sounds of holiday music. Ms Crystal has compiled a Spotify collection great music just for you.

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/06t8G0ZlxVryx0C0VcZoSm?si=051f9b3df02d453f>

### Dates to Remember

December 10th- WDSS Solo Recitals 10:30, 12:00pm and 1:00pm

December 14th- 5:00pm WDSS Group Class Concert

May 5th- 5:00pm Dress Rehearsal for Spring Celebration with Primavera Place

May 6th- 4:00pm Spring Celebration with Primavera Place

August 7-11- Chamber Music Camp



## How to have an awesome Piano Rehearsal and Recital

*Ms Autumn shares her secrets to success...*

Click on the link below to read Ms Autumn's hints to having a great piano rehearsal and recital. She has totally nailed it with topics like: *Know What's Goin On, Variety is the Spice, Don't Sweat the Dress, Meet Your Study Buddy, Lookin' Good, Feelin' Good, Over Listen, Caring and Sharing, and Keeper of the Butterflies*. Spend the time to read through her 'secret sauce recipe', you will be glad you did.

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## Holiday Concerts

Did you know you that the **Boston Symphony Orchestra** has opened up FREE streaming of all their 2022-2023 concerts? Drag out some pillows, stuffies and sleeping bags, warm up some hot chocolate, light up the tree, snuggle up and watch some great concerts together.  
<https://www.bso.org/bso-now>

Take an outing to hear the **Colorado Symphony Orchestra**

<https://coloradosymphony.org/education/families-kids/>

**Baroque Chamber Orchestra: December Light December 16-18**

Strings and recorders bring a luminous glow to the winter night. Baroque favorites blend with our own new arrangements of traditional folk music from around the world. Corelli's beloved Christmas concerto, lively French Noels, virtuoso solo concertos of Bach and Handel.

<https://www.bcocolorado.org/concerts/concerts.php>

### Holiday Travel- Should our student's instrument come too? by Zachary Regent WDSS' newest teacher!

As a kid, I remember spending holiday road trips in the back seat of the car with my violin between my knees and a large cooler separating (but not preventing conflict between) my brother and me. Honestly though, on some (many?) of these trips, in spite of its presence, my violin never left the case. While I will always believe in the importance of consistent practice for students' success, below are some questions to consider about vacation practicing before hitting the road.

- 1)How long will we be gone?
- 2)What's practice space like at our destination?
- 3)How much free time will we have?
- 4)How important is it to me and my child to play for the friends and family we visit?
- 5)How much energy will I (the practice parent/the student) have to put towards practicing?

If after going through this list, you're still feeling unclear as to what to do, I'd prioritize questions 2,3, and 4 to help make a choice. However, if these questions help you realize that you're leaving to go stay in Grandma's attic with 7 other family members for a few days filled with non-stop meals and outings, you can choose to leave the instrument at home with my blessing. Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season! Mr Z

