Welcome to the UNH Piano Extension Program!

The Piano Extension Program (PEP) has been providing piano lessons to students in the community of all ages and levels at an attractive rate since 1996. Founded by the late Arlene Kies, piano lessons at the PEP are taught by a qualified roster of teachers comprised of students and recent graduates of the UNH Music Department. Every year, students enrolled in the PEP may choose to play in one of the Performance Classes led by the program’s director and UNH piano faculty Dr. Mathilde Handelsman, and perform in the two end-of-semester Recitals.

Please note that the PEP follows the university’s academic schedule. There are no lessons during the summer.

Important dates and information to get you started:

- Online registration for the Spring semester opens on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 12:00 AM. Please click the link on our webpage to register.
- The full semester’s duration is 13 weeks.
- Two Performance Classes will occur mid-semester. Exact dates will be provided by your instructor.
- The Spring Recital typically takes place on campus at the end of the semester.

For any inquiries, please email Dr. Mathilde Handelsman, Director of the Piano Extension Program, at Mathilde.handelsman@unh.edu. We look forward to meeting you and wish you a productive and enjoyable season of music-making!

Our team of instructors
Rebecca Austin-Bolster, UNH graduate
Isabel Dreher, UNH student
Julia Hall, UNH student
Grace Higgins, UNH student
Chloe Jaarsma, UNH student
Lucas Kamon, UNH student
Annalee Lombard, UNH student
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Important Dates for Spring 2023

January
- **January 9 →** Registration begins for the 13-week semester.
- **January 23 →** Registration closes.
- **January 24 →** Lessons begin.

March-April
- 2 Performance Classes - Dates TBA
- Spring Break, March 13-17

May
- Spring Student Recital, Date TBA (around May 13)
- The first three weeks of May may be used for make-up lessons as needed.
- All lessons of the semester must conclude by May 17.