



# Dolce Strings

## The Group Experience 2018-19

for Suzuki violin, viola, and cello students



### Series #1

**Class & Concert:** Saturday, Sep 22  
1:00pm arrive and tune  
1:15-3:00 pm group class & snack  
3:30pm Community Service Concert at a nearby retirement home

### Series #2

**Class & Concert:** Saturday, Oct 6  
1:00pm arrive and tune  
1:15-3:00 pm group class & snack  
3:30pm Community Service Concert at a local retirement home

### Concert: Fri-Sun Nov 2-4

Optional trip to Greenville, TX with a concert at the Bob Wills Fiddle Festival and joint events with the Greenville Suzuki Strings

### Series #3

**Class & Concert:** Saturday, Jan 26  
1:00pm arrive and tune  
1:15-3:00 pm group class & snack  
3:30pm Community Service Concert at a local retirement home

**Concert:** Sunday, Feb 17, 2pm  
Intermission Interlude at the Fort Bend Symphony (FBSO) Concert  
Stafford Centre, Stafford, TX

*Free admission for Group Experience students*

**Concert:** Friday, Mar 1, 7:00pm  
Lobby Music before the Houston Civic Symphony Concert, Houston Baptist University, Houston, TX

*Admission free*

### Texas Fiddle Trip: Fri-Sat, Mar 15-16

Optional trip to McKenzie's Fiddle & Suzuki Workshop in Burleson, TX. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this great workshop! You will learn authentic Western Swing fiddling and see the Touring Ensemble on their Texas Tour which ends in Burleson!



### Series #4

**Class & Concert:** Saturday, Apr 13  
1:00pm arrive and tune  
1:15-3:00 pm group class & snack  
3:30pm Community Service Concert at a local retirement home

*Some dates/venues subject to change*

### About the Group Experience:

Dolce Strings Group Experience is more than just Suzuki group classes for all ages and levels of violin, viola and cello students. Students will enjoy classes and concerts *plus* the opportunity to observe the advanced Dolce Strings Touring Ensemble and perform with them in concerts. We hope you will be able to audition for the Tour Group when you are in the 6th grade and reach Book 4!

### Tuition \$278.00\*

**(\$235.00\* early bird discount due 9/1/17)** Includes group classes and snack, Dolce Strings t-shirt and Group Experience concerts.

*\*after discount for payment by cash/check*

Estimated travel costs:

Greenville trip: \$395.00 per family\*\*

McKenzie's Fiddle Workshop: \$105.00 per student. \$385.00 per family\*\* for the trip.

*\*\*estimated for a family of four people*

**Apply before Sept 1, 2018 or just bring your application to class.** (do let us know if you plan to come so we will have a shirt ready for you)

### Contact:

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*Please email thru our website*



**Meredith Harris**, a native of North Carolina, teaches Suzuki violin and viola in Houston, Texas. She enjoys teaching at various workshops and institutes and has coordinated the STXSA Fabulous Fridays Group Class events in League City. Ms. Harris holds a Bachelors degree from East Carolina University and a Masters Degree from Rice University where she studied with Ara Gregorian and James Dunham, respectively. Her active performing career includes performances with the Houston Grand Opera and the Lincoln Center Opera Festival in New York.

**Elisabeth Hope** grew up as a "Suzuki kid" and treasures some of her fondest memories as a member of a Suzuki tour group. Mrs. Hope holds music degrees from George Mason University and the University of Houston, where she studied with Peter Haase and Andzrej Grabiec, respectively. Mrs. Hope has been featured as a soloist with orchestras in Texas, New Mexico and Virginia, most notably at the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage in Washington, D.C. She currently runs a thriving private violin and viola studio in Dickinson, TX.



**Danette Schuh** is the Director of Dolce Music Studio, home of Dolce Strings and Dolce Babies, where she teaches violin, viola and Suzuki Early Childhood. She is also an SAA Suzuki Early Childhood Education Teacher Trainer. She has been teaching and adjudicating for over 35 years, and also taught at the Suzuki 16th World Convention in Japan. She is a current board member of the Southeast Texas Suzuki Association. Ms. Schuh holds a Bachelor of Music degree with honors from Indiana University, where she studied violin with Tadeusz Wronski and Josef Gingold.





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## APPLICATION

### STUDENT'S INFORMATION *(please use a separate form for each student)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current piece \_\_\_\_\_ Current Suzuki book # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Private teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dietary restrictions/allergies/medical concerns \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency contact *(name, phone, relationship)* \_\_\_\_\_  
 T-shirt (student's shirt included with tuition - check one) Youth  XS  S  M  L Adult  S  M  L  XL  
 I already have a Dolce Strings t-shirt

### PARENT'S INFORMATION

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: home \_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extra t-shirts @ \$12.00 each *(indicate quantity)* Youth  XS  S  M  L Adult  S  M  L  XL  2X  3X  
 Please contact me, I am willing to volunteer to help with snacks/meals, set-up/clean-up, photography, etc.

**TUITION:** \$247.00 (early bird discount before Sept. 1) .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$290.00 (payment by Sept. 22) .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discount for payment by cash or check - subtract \$12.00 .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ additional t-shirts @ \$12.00 each .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Donation to the Touring Ensemble .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

check # \_\_\_\_\_  cash *(exact change only)*  credit card  
 Name as printed on card \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 CVV code \_\_\_\_\_ *(the three or four numbers on the back of the card)*  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to perform the obligations set forth in the cardholder's agreement with the card issuer and pay the credit card charges in accordance with the card issuer agreement.

### Policies:

- Suzuki violin, viola and cello students of all ages and levels are eligible for participation. It is expected that they are well-reviewed on all the new revised editions of the Suzuki literature up to their current level of study.
- Parents are required to attend all classes and concerts.
- No make-up classes are given for classes missed by students for any reason and student absences cannot be credited or refunded.
- Please do not attend class when ill. Learning does not happen when you or your child are sick. Please do not pass on contagious illnesses to the teachers, parents, and students in class and their families.
- If you must miss a class, please call, text or email. We will worry about your safety if you do not show up.
- There will be a \$30.00 charge for all returned checks.
- Attire: workshop and concert attire will be Dolce Strings t-shirt, blue jeans and casual shoes. (no flip-flops please).

### Photo & Liability Release

I hereby give permission to Dolce Music Studio, Danette Schuh, and any other entity with which Danette Schuh is affiliated, to use my name and photographic likeness, video and audio recording, as well as the name(s) of my children and their photographic likenesses, video or audio recording in all forms, media and electronic media for publicity, advertising, trade, and any other lawful purposes. I assume responsibility for my child/children in all Dolce Music Studio activities and related activities and I hereby release Dolce Music Studio, Danette Schuh, and its faculty, employees and agents from claims, liabilities, and causes of action for losses, damages and injuries. For my children under 18 years of age: I, the undersigned, am the parent/legal guardian of the individual(s) named above and I have read this release and approve of its terms.

I have read the above policies and photo/liability release of Dolce Music Studio and understand and agree to them in their entirety.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Submit application and tuition by September 1, 2018 to:  
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