

## NEW ADULT CLASSES

### **Wordsmart for Test Prep and Educated Conversation**

Ages 18 and older

This course focuses on techniques for learning and retaining new vocabulary, and on improving English grammar, syntax and pronunciation. In the first hour the class reads and discusses fascinating stories. While students analyze the stories in pairs, the instructor, a seasoned ESL professional, listens to each student and pinpoints areas that need improvement. She then provides individuals with exercises to help them correct their most common errors in language. Through lessons from the Princeton Review text *Wordsmart* (approx. \$11), students learn the sophisticated vocabulary they need for standardized tests, and to incorporate it in professional and social conversation.

During the term, students prepare and deliver oral presentations about their particular interests, utilizing new vocabulary. To see photos of past student presentations, please visit:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/fribbydish>

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 8-Jun 12	Mon & Wed	9am-noon	19x	\$154	\$164

No class May 27

Instructor: Deborah Frisch, MA TESL

Location: Albany Teen Center, 1331 Portland Avenue (Memorial Park)

For further information, please write to [DNDNL2@mac.com](mailto:DNDNL2@mac.com)

Min: 15 Max: 30

### **Beginning Recorder I**

Ages 13 and older

Recorder music from VERY beginning! Learn the basics of music making through learning to play the recorder. Students will learn basic fingering, blowing and music reading. Student will study either soprano or alto recorder, learning fingerings for an octave and a half, hand position, blowing, breathing, and tonguing; basic music reading skills. Beginner bass recorder may join class, but MUST play alto recorder already.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 9-Jun 11	Tue	6:30-7:30PM	8x	\$69	\$79

No class May 7 & 14

Instructor: Frances Feldon

Location: Albany Teen Center

Min: 8 Max: 50

### **Low Intermediate Recorder Ensemble**

Ages 13 and older

In this class, students will develop proficiency in ensemble skills playing in recorder ensemble of all sizes; which allows expansion to other recorder sizes. Refine understanding and practice of all elements of music making through learning to play well in recorder ensemble of all four sizes.

Work with conductor with greater emphasis on tuning, execution of fingerings, phrasing and articulation together. May use class to obtain proficiency on tenor and bass sizes of recorder. Consort music from the Middle Ages to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Prerequisite: Beginning recorder 2 or equivalent.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 9-Jun 11	Tue	7:30-8:30PM	8x	\$69	\$79

No class May 7 & 14

Instructor: Frances Feldon  
Location: Albany Teen Center  
Min: 8 Max: 50

### **High Intermediate Recorder Ensemble**

Ages 13 and older

More complex music, emphasis on developing all recorder technique, including greater facility, sight-reading, varied articulation and practicing ensemble skills. More one on-a-part playing. Polyphony from medieval to modern for recorders. Prerequisite: Student must know both C and F fingerings, be able to carry line alone and have substantial previous ensemble experience to participate in this class. Student must already play SATB or be willing to learn bass.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 9-Jun 11	Tue	8:30-9:30PM	8x	\$69	\$79

No class May 7 & 14

Instructor: Frances Feldon  
Location: Albany Teen Center  
Min: 8 Max: 50

### **Calligraphy**

Ages 18 and older

Students will be taught an upper and lower case of a historic script. Then we take it into a modern application. Students will also learn simple book binding and embellish their work with brass carved rubber stamps. There will be a different script taught every class. Students will have to purchase basic supplies at local art stores.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 1-Jun 3	Mon	3:00-5:00PM	9x	\$84	\$94

No class May 27

Material Fee: \$5 payable to instructor on first day of class  
Instructor: Carla J. Tenret  
Location: Albany Community Center Rooms 1&2  
Min: 15 Max: 20

### **Albany Community Chorus**

Ages 18 and older

Come join us in song! The Albany Community Chorus sings music spanning all genres, cultures and periods of music history. We perform 3-4 times per year at various locations in Berkeley and Albany.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 2-Jun 11	Tue	7:00-9:00PM	10x	\$79	\$89

No class April 16

Instructor: Mary Stocker

Location: Albany High School Room 22

Min: 25 Max: 65

### **Albany Chamber Orchestra**

Ages 18 and older

The Albany Chamber Orchestra is a 35-piece orchestra composed of string, wind, brass, and percussion instruments. It was formerly known as the Albany Community Orchestra, the Albany Adult School Orchestra, and most recently the Albany Chamber Strings. The orchestra was organized by Ernest Douglas in 1975 as a class in the Albany Adult School. In the past 38 years it has given hundreds of amateur adult musicians the opportunity to study and perform over 300 selections from the orchestral repertoire. No auditions are necessary, but players should be of an intermediate level or above. New string players are welcome; winds and brass must have the permission of the conductor. The Orchestra presents three free public concerts each year and an occasional Young People's Concert.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Mar 26-Jun 6	Tue	7:00-9:00PM	10x	\$69	\$79

(participants are expected to attend a dress rehearsal on Thursday 6/6 and the concert on Sunday 6/9)

No class April 9 & 16

Instructor: Teresa Colyer

Location: Albany High School Band Room 20

Min: 25 Max: 40

### **Chinese for Beginners**

Ages 18 and older

In this class, speaking will be emphasized through conversations on everyday subjects and travel situations. Students will learn principles of basic conversation Chinese and most common characters. Topics related to traveling and dining out as well as Chinese culture will also be introduced.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
May 6-Jun 24	Mon	7:00-9:00PM	7x	\$61	\$71

No class May 27

Instructor: Mier An

Location: Albany Senior Center – South Room

Min: 4 Max: 15

### **Intermediate Chinese**

Ages 18 and older

In this class, speaking will be emphasized through conversations on everyday subjects and travel situations. Students will continue to explore different fascinating aspects of the Chinese language. Emphasis will be placed more on individual needs including poetry and business Chinese.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
May 8-Jun 26	Wed	7:00-9:00PM	8x	\$69	\$79

Instructor: Mier An

Location: Albany Senior Center – Multi Purpose Room

Min: 4 Max: 15

### **Figure Drawing**

Ages 18 and older

In this class, instruction in contour modeling for all levels will be provided. The instructor will develop formats tailored to each student's ability to delineate the human form and provide demonstrations for ease of understanding.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 3-Jun 5	Wed	7:00-9:00PM	10x	\$84	\$94

Additional fee for model (approx. \$7) paid directly to instructor at each class meeting.

Instructor: Jack Katz

Location: Albany Senior Center – South Room

Min: 8 Max: 20

### **Albany Big Band Jazz Ensemble**

Ages 18 and older

The band has been playing and performing in and around Albany for more than 15 years under the umbrella of the former Albany Adult School, and now becomes part of the City of Albany's Recreation and Community Services Activities program. We play classic to modern instrumental and vocal jazz, swing, latin and other genres arranged for traditional 18-20 piece jazz big band, ordinarily saxophones, trumpets, trombones, guitar, piano, bass and percussion. Our band offers an opportunity to learn, play, and perform tightly arranged jazz, and to explore the vibrant experience of soloing and singing with a big band. Playing and singing level is intermediate and above; experience with jazz and swing idiom is recommended. Participation in the band requires a commitment to attend regular rehearsals, and to participate in occasional public performances. Due to limited space, enrollment is by permission of instructor only. For information about how to join or other questions about enrollment, contact instructor at [instructor@albanyjazzband.org](mailto:instructor@albanyjazzband.org) For information about the band visit our website at [albanyjazzband.org](http://albanyjazzband.org).

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Apr 3- Jun 5	Wed	7:00-9:15PM	10x	\$49	\$59

(Performances may be scheduled outside regular rehearsal dates and times)

Material fee payable at first class meeting: \$20.00

Instructors: Bob Levenson (Musical Director), Rich Kalman (Vocal Director), Bernard Knapp (Library/Administration)

Location: Albany High School Band Room 20  
Min: 12 Max: 25

### **Physical Weight Conditioning**

Ages 18 and older

In this class, students will receive individualized instruction focused on needs and personal goals for fitness and well-being. Nautilus and Olympic bars are available, as well as dumbbells and free weights.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Mar 26-Jun 27	Tu & Th	6:30-7:30PM	26x	\$114	\$124
Mar 26-Jun 27	Tu & Th	7:30-8:30PM	26x	\$114	\$124

No class April 16 & 18

Apr 29-Jun 26	Mon & Wed	6:30-7:30pm	17x	\$76	\$86
Apr 29-Jun 26	Mon & Wed	7:30-8:30pm	17x	\$76	\$86

No class May 27

Instructor: Darryl Allison

Location: Albany High School Weight Room

Min: 4 Max: 15

### **Vocal Jazz Workshop**

16 years and over

This class is an introduction to modern jazz singing and covers the repertoire, the master singers and composers and their styles. Discover the rich tapestry of Ella's singing, Duke Ellington's writing, Billie Holiday, Carmen McCrae, Sarah Vaughn, and many more. Discover that you too can sing with style and excitement!! Classroom aids will include sheet music handouts, youtube videos and mp3s of performances, discussion of various singers, jazz music and history, technique and style, piano accompaniment. Optional aids: in class videos of student performances, microphone technique, field trips and out of class performances.

DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETS	ALBANY RESIDENT	NON-RES
Jun 8- Aug 10	Sat	10am-12pm	10x	\$234	\$244

Instructors: Rich Kalman

Location: Albany Senior Center South Room

Min: 4 Max: 10