



Bartle Guitar Studio Fall 2026 Newsletter

Dear Students and Families,

Summer flew by so quickly and I am looking forward to the fall semester music making that awaits us! This past June, I completed Book 4 Suzuki Guitar training at the Colorado Suzuki Institute in Beaver Creek during a fun-filled intensive musical week in the mountains that brought together guitar students and teacher trainers from various parts of the country. I am excited to incorporate new ideas and pedagogical tools into my teaching this upcoming year. Also, it was fun to watch my Book 1 Suzuki guitar student, Naomi Butera, take part in master classes, group ensembles, and the final student concert on the beautiful Vilar stage. Congratulations, Naomi! During the second part of the summer, I began working out the fingerings for Sor's Mozart Variations, the comprehensive teacher training audition piece for the final two Suzuki guitar books. It has been very motivating to work towards recording this beautiful piece that has inspired classical guitarists for generations.



(Center and left pictures: 2026 Colorado Suzuki Institute. Right: final lesson with my longtime student Anabelle Wyatt just before she headed off to Wellesley College in Boston.)

Looking ahead to the fall semester, here are the events and happenings that await us (upcoming dates along with studio information can also be found on the [Bartle Guitar Studio Policy document](#) located on the “Lessons” page of BartleGuitarStudio.com):

Upcoming Dates & Events

- ✓ The fall semester runs from **August 17th-December 18th, 2026**. The [online lessons calendar](#) can be found on the “Student Resources” page of BartleGuitarStudio.com (please contact me for the password). The fall online calendar is viewable only. If you need to occasionally reschedule a lesson outside of your regular time slot, please text me and I will update the calendar. My schedule is packed, but there are options for students to reschedule in space-available time slots as well as on school inservice days. During the fall semester, lesson reminder texts will only be sent out for makeup lessons.
- ✓ The annual Fall Group Play-In will take place on **Saturday, September 12, 2026**. the weekend after Labor Day, at Glory of God Lutheran Church in Wheat Ridge @ 8 AM. My flutist duo partner Jennifer Pauley and I will be co-directing this event. This event offers students a non-competitive, community-based opportunity to play music and jam together.
- ✓ The annual Winter Recital will take place on **Saturday, December 12, 2026** at Glory of God Lutheran Church in Wheat Ridge starting @ 8 AM. This is a chance for students to showcase their solo and duo performance talents!
- ✓ The 2027 Denver Suzuki Guitar summit weekend (Suzuki guitar students only) will take place **February 6th-7th, 2027**. Masterclasses, group classes, enrichment classes, and student/faculty recitals take place during this lively winter musical extravaganza. For more info, here is the website: www.denverguitarsummit.com/
- ✓ **2027 Colorado Suzuki Institute @ Beaver Creek** (Suzuki guitar students only). **Sunday, June 20th-Saturday June 26th, 2027**. The Institute offers a fun-filled week of music classes, concerts, and social gatherings in Beaver Creek. Students ages 5-12 attend with their families and students ages 13+ have the option to attend with their families or attend unaccompanied through the Teen Lodge Program supervised by the adult staff of the Colorado Suzuki Institute. Enrichment classes are available for non-Suzuki siblings. For more details and scholarship information, please visit the Colorado Suzuki Institute website: www.ColoradoSuzuki.org

Lesson Openings

I currently have a limited number of music lesson openings. As a way of showing appreciation for referrals, I offer a \$20 tuition credit if a student you referred to me signs up for a lesson package.

Buy/Sell Instruments Bulletin Board

Has your child outgrown a fractional-size guitar? Do you wish to buy or sell a full-size guitar? There is an instrument buy/sell bulletin board in the Bartle Guitar Studio waiting room! If you wish to sell a guitar, piano, or keyboard, please bring me a printout up to 8x11 for me to add to this communal bulletin board. Please include the following information: picture of your instrument, price, size/specs/description, and your contact info.

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer full of relaxation and adventures! I am looking forward to our music making adventures this upcoming fall.

In community,

Lorian Bartle



(Evening view of the mountains during the 2026 Colorado Suzuki Institute in Beaver Creek.)