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MING SHIH ACADEMY

Ming Shih Academy

An introduction by Patricia Shih

MUSIC MOVES THE WORLD
MING SHIH MOVES MUSIC

Classical Music is skyrocketing in popularity- contrary to Western popular opinion

- No longer a relic of the past
- 17 million Violin Students in China alone
- Beauty, elegance, passion, mystery are timeless
- Timeless: The best classical music and opera online streams available, Corona is not the 1st plague we have survived

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Star of instruments, the VIOLIN

- The violin arrived in Cremona, Italy in 1500AD
  - Most credit Andrea Amanti
- Cremona was home to Stradivarius & Guarnerius del Gesu, the creators of the famous violins
- Predecessors like the lute, the rebec, the fidel, etc, however, none looked, or sounded like the modern, sexy, curvy VIOLIN
- KARMA resulted in the smallest string instrument which rivals the human voice; both male & female registers w fragility & delicacy, like silken colorful thread.
- Modern, Timeless, Mysterious, Beautiful, Eternal!

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The Challenge of the Ming Shih Method

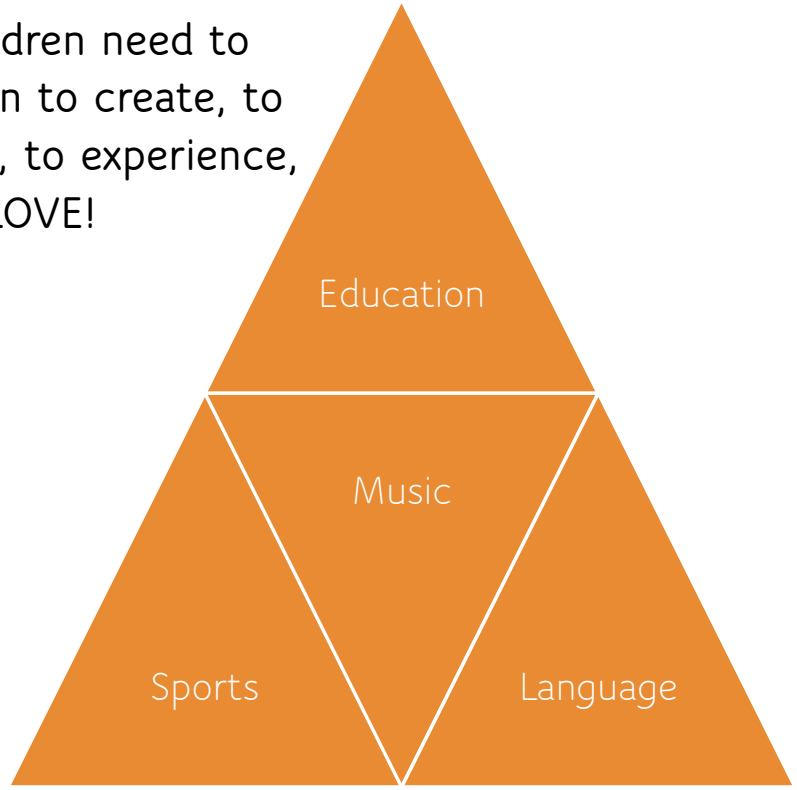
INSPIRE EXCELLENT MUSICIANS ON THE QUEST FOR INNER TRUTH

POST WWII. COMFORT, PLEASURE & PRACTICALITY, CONFORMITY & MACHINE-LIKE PRECISION REIGN

MING SHIH UNVEILS THE GATEWAY TO CREATIVITY, PERSONALITY, PASSION, STRONG OPINION & THE ABILITY TO EXPRESS LOVE

Ming Shih Methodology
Music marries the Earthly & Heavenly

Children need to learn to create, to feel, to experience, to LOVE!



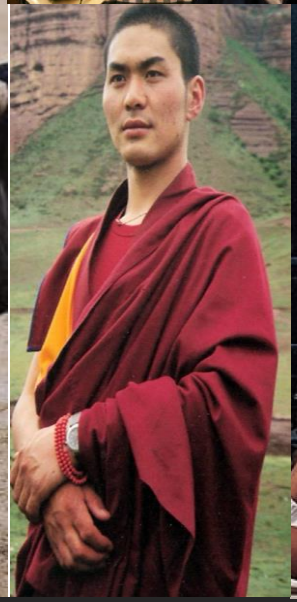
Roots of success& health in life

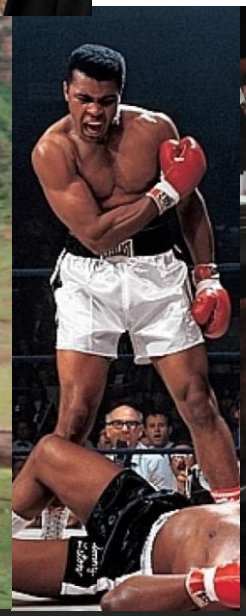
Classical Music

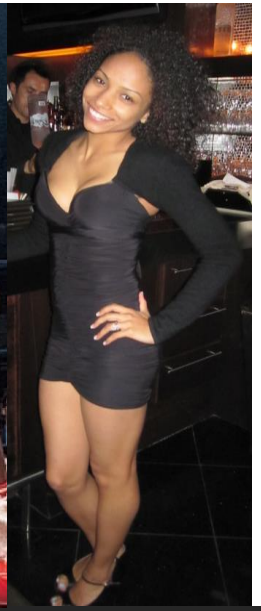
- Mates the tangible + spiritual
- Communicates sans limits of written language
- Expands spectrum of nuance and shade into the LIMITLESS!

Ming Shih methodology teaches mastery of motoric execution

- Passionate Musical Execution requires developing many key life skills!
- Heifetz said it takes the
  - nerves of a bullfighter
  - digestion of a peasant
  - vitality of a nightclub hostess
  - tact of a diplomat &
  - concentration of a Tibetan Monk to lead the strenuous life of a virtuoso!
- Ming Shih adds the reflexes of a boxing champion!







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Embracing the challenge: Ming Shih students-run fearlessly toward the fire!

- Ming Shih methodology understands overcoming challenges and goals help us become our best selves.
- Through music we learn about:
  - Life
  - How to live it fully & happily
  - Having a sense of accomplishment
  - Serving something well

- Ming Shih is the best and only to bring out a child's latent:
  - Creative potential &Individuality
  - Enthusiasm & joy
- MS method believes and has faith that each child can flower via fostering:
  - Curiosity about the world
  - & how diversity is similar & related
- Children have no mental hindrances
- We develop self-confidence not arrogance

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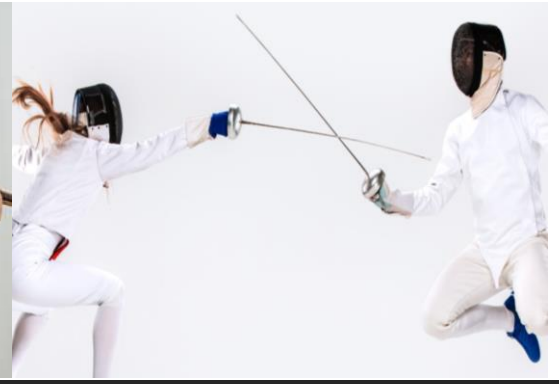
Ming Shih Harnesses child's ability to learn

- Children
  - sense of what needs to be done & do it
  - Can learn multiple languages simultaneously
  - Unafraid to make mistakes, correct on the fly
  - Want to learn
- Ming Shih fosters the desire not drudgery to work
- Work doesn't hurt, the body & brain need action
- Pay comes from value creation
- Ming Shih turns children's curiosity & thirst for knowledge into self-confidence & fearlessness
- Physical & motoric activities require talent, a sense of space & finely developed senses.
- Music completes the education, physical, spiritual and intellectual



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Ming Shih develops thought confidence

- Learning about Life, humanity, the world and the upper spheres while learning music!
- Groundedness is important; but great spirits live FOREVER!
- MS helps to develop the intangible, the spiritual, the metaphysical parts of the student's personality so the magic inside can be expressed
- MS educates children to develop all aspects of their abilities, motoric, spiritual, health , love for life!
- Everything develops along with the music

Ming Shih provides strong roots!

- MS encompasses:
  - History
  - Fun theoretical analysis
  - Personality
  - Compassion
  - Respect
  - Math
  - Science Language
  - Motoric exercises

- MS emphasizes:
  - LISTENING early
  - Ensemble practice
  - Intuitive learning
  - Composition early
  - Creativity

- Based on the premise that deep understanding of music requires understanding of composition

Old artist masters did not just play their instrument but could compose, conduct, play the piano, viola, and teach. They were complete musicians.
Ming Shih opens the mind to keep all your senses wide open, registering the unbiased truth

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Ming Shih Method and you at Baylor

- Anne Shih has been a global leader in the music educational world for decades.
- Anne, Patricia and Connie Shih have spent more time performing on stages.
- We 3 have been successfully using this method on young students and the results have been incredible
- It works well with everyone, beginners, advanced students, parents & teachers
- Ask me how you can play with us!!!!

Hey Kid, do you like music?