



June 14, 2023

Dear 2023 Arrowbear Jazz Campers:

Hello! Camp is coming up quickly (in just a little over a week!), and we're all looking forward to meeting and working with all of you. It's going to be a lot of fun, you're going to learn all sorts of new ways to improvise over tunes, and we'll all get to spend a week up in the mountains, with all the natural beauty that goes with that. We're going to study the greatest jazz artists that ever played the music, learn a bunch of new tunes, play in small combos as well as all together, and spend the week enjoying being creative together.

We wanted to remind you to pick up the books that we'll be using throughout the session. You should have received an email about this a week or two ago, but in case it didn't reach you, we've re-listed the required books down below.

Finally, we wanted to provide a couple suggestions for things you could do to get ready for camp:

1) Most importantly, we encourage you to spend time **listening** to the music! We've created a playlist of some songs we think we might play during the session. A couple of them are in the books you're ordering, and we have charts for some of the other ones. Check them out! Maybe pick a couple that you like the best, and listen to those several times

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLEVg_yg_CE_UsjBLtTaYO9mKID8TAtigk

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/6ErusDQ0mgwv0mV7Hs24H1?si=5d2d3a27c18749f6>

2) If it's been a while since you've played your major scales, brush up on them before coming up to camp. Ideally, you'll want to know all 12 keys. Spend some time practicing the ones you don't know as well if they need that extra attention.

And that's it! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Arrowbear directly, or contact Doug, one of the session's co-directors. Doug Carter's info: **562-480-3177** **dougc85@gmail.com**

Thanks and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Doug Carter,
Jimmy Emerzian,
Jacob Wendt

Music materials to bring to camp (along with your instrument):

1) The "Real Easy Book" Level 1 "Tunes for Beginning Improvisers". Be sure to order the right one for your instrument: C (piano, guitar, flute), Bb (trumpet, tenor sax), Eb (alto and bari sax), or Bass Clef (bass, trombone).

2) A 6th Edition Real Book in your key: C, Bb, Eb, or Bass Clef.

3) A book of blank music manuscript paper, soft-lead black pencils, and erasers.

Jazz Improv Session 2023!

Arrowbear Information Packet

June 25-July 1, 2023



Thank you for choosing to make us a part of your summer.

We can't wait to see you!

Drop off time on June 25th is 2pm.

~The Arrowbear team~

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Information at a glance:

- Camp office phone: 909-867-2782
- Larke's cell phone: 562-225-7766 (ok to text)
- June 20th: session balance and health form must be finalized
- June 25th: Check in at camp 2pm
- July 1st: Pick up day-5pm concert
- Camp's physical address 33500 Music Camp Rd., Arrowbear lk, CA 92382
- Camp's mailing address: PO Box 180, Running Springs, CA 92382

Pre Camp Checklist

- Balance and scholarships finalized by June 20th
- Packing list double checked
- Online Health Form finalized by June 20th
- Online medication list up to date by June 20th - contact the camp if medication instructions change
- Medications properly labeled and ready to turn in

Arrival and Departure Information

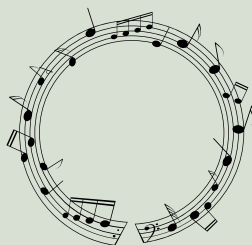
First Day of Camp-June 25th

Arrival checkin time is 2pm.



Last Day of Camp July 1st- Final Concert 5pm:

The Final Concert will be held at 5pm on campus. Guests may arrive anytime after 3:30pm to visit and load luggage. Please do not arrive early as our program will still be in session and the front gate will be closed.



Carpool

If you are interested in carpooling, please let us know and we will email your name, contact info, and location to everyone on our Choral Session roster.

If you have not been to the camp before, please bring a copy or screen shot of these directions with you.
GPS is questionable in our area.

Driving Directions to Camp

Physical address: 33500 Music Camp Rd, Arrowbear Lk, CA 92382

From I-210 in Highland, take HWY 330 towards Big Bear. After winding up the mountain road, continue through the small towns of Running Springs and Arrowbear.

Turn right at the second Arrowbear Drive (near the corner you will see Victoria's Family Restaurant).

If you reach a sign for Green Valley or Snow Valley Ski Resort, you have gone too far.

Stay to the left of the small pond and continue up Music Camp Road until you reach the camp. We have a large, green, and brown "Arrowbear Music Camp" sign at the entrance to the camp.

Follow signs to the check-in station.

Tuition Balance

Your remaining balance must be finalized by June 20th.

Medications

All medications must be turned into the Camp Health Supervisor at check-in. This includes over the counter medications and is for legal compliance and camp safety. Medications **MUST** be in their original, labeled containers or they will not be administered. Alternatively, if you transfer pills into daily pill containers, make sure to provide the original prescription bottle.



General Camp information:

Communication with campers- Old fashioned snail mail

Campers love to receive mail while at camp!

Please mail to-

Camper's Name

c/o Arrowbear Music Camp

PO Box 180

Running Springs, CA 92382

*Any mail that arrives after the session ends
will be mailed to camper.*

Family and friends are welcome to leave mail with the camp office to be placed in the camper's mailbox on a specific day.

One way emails through your online account

Log into the parent portal from our website. Open menu from top left, and choose message center from the drop down.

Emails will be printed and delivered to your camper's mail box daily. Please note, emails are one way and will not be returned.

Messages

Messages received via email, text, or phone call will be placed in the campers' mail box daily.

Cell Phones

We highly, highly, highly recommend that you leave your cell phone and other electronic devices at home.

Phones really do distract from total involvement in the camp environment. Why not let this week be your chance to sing, make friends, enjoy the mountains, and learn as much as you can? Don't waste the money and time you put into being here by mentally being somewhere else. The camp does have an office phone for those who need to make an occasional quick call home.

Daily Camp Photos:

Starting on Monday night (June 26th) we will upload session photos to the parent portal. Check back daily at approximately 7pm for new uploads. Log into your account and go to photo gallery from the drop down menu on the far left.



Commemorative Photo and Camp Roster (the 'note')

At the end of the session we will provide all the campers with a group photo and roster including contact information for all campers and staff. If you wish to have your contact information left off the roster, please let us know.

Arrowbear Store:

During free time we sell a small assortment of snacks and camp gear. All money must be turned in to the camp for safekeeping. A debit system will be used for purchases and the remaining balance will be returned on the last day. We accept cash, check or money order made out to Arrowbear Music Camp, or credit card through your account. For a one week high school session we recommend \$15-\$50.

To add money online: Log into your account and from the left hand side menu, choose "camp store".

Prices-

Snacks/Soda \$1-\$4

T-shirts \$15

Sweatshirts \$25-\$30

Other camp gear \$3-\$25

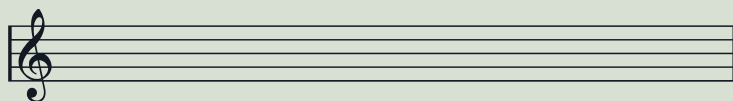
The camp store will be open before and after the concert. At this time we will accept credit card payments.

Visitors

Please check in with the office if you plan to visit.

Thank you

We are looking forward to seeing you all!





Jazz Session Packing List



Clothing

- Enough comfortable outdoor clothing for 7 days-
Example:
- Jeans/ long pants
- Shorts
- T-shirts/ tank tops
- Sweat shirt/ sweater
- Pajamas
- Socks
- Underwear
- Closed-toe shoes (hiking boots/ tennis shoes)
- Bag or collapsible hamper to hold dirty clothing
- Concert clothes: slacks, khakis or skirts; blouse, polo, or other collared shirt

Music related

- Pencils- soft lead
- Eraser
- Blank book of manuscript paper
- Jazz Books-See 1st page conductor letter
- If you plan on performing in our Musicale (recital) or Coconut Bear (talent show) bring any music you may need, including accompaniment
- Any instruments you play that you may like to use for free time or optional performance time

Misc.

- Reusable water Bottle (or purchase one from the camp store)
- Flashlight or headlamp

Toiletries

- Towel and washcloth for shower
- Shower sandals (flip flops)
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, and floss
- Shampoo/conditioner and soap
- Sunscreen and chapstick
- Bug repellent
- Any other personal items you may need

Bedding

- Warm Sleeping Bag- temps may drop below the 40's- please pack accordingly
- Pillow

Optional items

- Fitted sheet (to cover vinyl mattress 72"x30")
- Blankets
- Swimsuit
- Pool towel
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Hiking boots/ hiking gear
- Sandals
- Snack food in a labeled container
- Stamps and envelopes
- White clothing for tie-dying
- Camera
- Books/ magazines
- drawing supplies
- headphone/music player



Make sure to label all belongings with the camper's name. Aside from an instrument, please leave all valuables at home. Arrowbear Music Camp will not be held responsible for lost money or valuables.