

Help! I Have to Teach Music in the Upper Grades



PRESENTED BY

David Rankine



SERIES SESSIONS

Date	Time
April 23, 2026	4:00 PM - 5:30 PM



LOCATION

Online

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QUESTIONS?

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Learning Opportunity

Target Audience: Grades 4-8 music teachers are encouraged to attend.

Do you want to experience many new and exciting ways to engage your older music students? Full of joyful action songs, dances, chase games, choreographed movements, and instrumental activities, participants will leave this session with ready-to-use lesson plans and techniques that will build positive relationships and create inviting learning environments for even our most reluctant learners.

Presenters

David Rankine

David Rankine has been teaching music in schools, community organizations, and historic sites for more than 25 years. A certified Teacher Trainer in First Steps in Music and Conversational Solfege, and the incoming Artistic Director of the Feierabend Association for Music Education, David has presented online and throughout Canada and the United States including at the Ontario Music Educators Association Conferences, Music Conference Alberta, the Royal Conservatory of Music, Music-Ed Amplified Podcast, and the 2022 National Association for Music Education National Conference in Washington D.C.

David is the former Artistic Director of the Gananoque Choral Society and was the Drum Major and Company Captain of the Fort Henry Guard where he received the Colonel Truman Crawford Cup, USMC, for Excellence in Music. A recipient of several scholarships from the Royal Canadian College of Organists, David has both Piano and Organ certifications from the Royal Conservatory of Music, is a Church Organist and Music Director, as well as the former Organist for the Kingston Frontenacs OHL Hockey Franchise.

In addition to his classroom work, he has received numerous grants and donations under the umbrella of *'Building Community Through Music'*. Surmounting his belief that to build community, one must go into the community. These proceeds have enabled more than 800 K-6 students to annually take part in and host Folk Festivals, May Day Festivals, and Family Folk Dances. During the COVID Epidemic, GIA Music published 8 Episodes of his online education program **Mr. Rankine's Music Cabin**, all based on the First Steps in Music and Conversational Solfege curricula to help create a more **Tuneful**, **Beatful**, and **Artful** society.

A finalist in the 2023 CBC Canadian Music Class Challenge, David lives in a forest just north of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, with his wife and two children, Eva and George.

Registration Notes

This session will be recorded and available for 30 days.

All session times are mountain time.



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