

#### SINGING STYLES

6-Week Program

### Overview

Can you sing different musical styles with authenticity and authority? Each week of this vocal short course focuses on a different genre of music, allowing you to take steps towards being a versatile professional, stretching outside of your comfort zones and better preparing you to perform in any situation. Through case studies of important singers, you will gain an overview about the key characteristics of each style. Every week, you will learn a song together as a group. The class culminates with a performance on DIME's Underground stage.

#### What will I learn on the Course?

- How to identify the historical origins of each style (pop, rock, soul, blues, & jazz)
- How to identify the vocal characteristics of each style
- How to develop your vocal skills using practical vocal exercises/techniques related to each style
- How to begin to develop a repertiore of songs in each style

#### Instructor

Rebecca earned her Bachelor of Music at the University of Windsor in Classical Voice Performance. She also has a Master's degree from Wayne State in Classical and Operatic Vocal Performance. Mickle has taught piano and stage singing, and has performed with the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, the Windsor Symphony Orchestra, and university choirs. While performing iconic classical works, Rebecca has also belted out pop hooks in cult-classic musicals such as West Side Story, The Rocky Horror Picture Show, and Sweeney Todd. Her training in musical theatre, classical, and opera lends to her arsenal of vocal techniques, which she uses to teach students to lift their voices for any genre.

## Important Information

**COST:** \$149

**DURATION:** 7pm - 9pm, every Tuesday for 6 weeks

LOCATION: DIME Detroit Campus, 1265 Griswold Street, 48226

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

Week	Description
1	Introduction to the course & Rock This class will provide you with an overview of the course. You will learn voice terminology through demonstration, including twang, falsetto and more! Following the introduction, we will move to our first Singing Style - Rock. We will explore important rock singers, including Dave Grohl, Stevie Nicks and Freddie Mercury. You will also learn the key characteristics of a rock vocal, before putting this into practice on our first song.
2	Pop In this class, you will learn about pop music vocals, including analysis of the voices of some of pop's famous singers, including Beyonce, Jason Deuli and Katy Perry. You wil learn about the key characteristics of this style before moving on to learn a pop vocal track together.
3	Soul In this class, you will learn about soul music, including the origins of this genre. We will discuss the various categories of soul music, including classic soul, neosoul and R&B. As in previous classes, we will consider the key characteristics of this vocal style, before learning a soul song together.
4	Jazz You will learn the history of New Orleans jazz and the various categories of this genre. These include ragtime, big band, swing, and fusion. We will consider some of the big jazz names, including Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra, Billie Holiday, and Michael Buble. As in previous classes, we will consider the key characteristics of this vocal style, before learning a jazz song together.
5	Blues This class will teach you about the history of blues, including the classic 12 bar blues structure. You will learn about some of the most significant blues artists, including Muddy Waters, Etta James and Gary Clark Jr. As in previous classes, we will consider the key characteristics of this vocal style, before learning a blues song together.
6	Final Performance This course will culminate in a final performance on DIME's Underground stage! You will pick your best repertoire from the previous 5 weeks and will perform solo and with the group. Friends and family are invited!

