

## Private Lesson Instructors

If you would like to speak with one of these teachers, please contact [finearts@keysofva.org](mailto:finearts@keysofva.org).

<b>Flute</b>	<b>Amanda McCormick</b> received her Associate Degree from Tidewater Community College in 2007 and then attended Old Dominion University as a Music Education major. During her time at ODU, Amanda studied flute with Patti Waters and held principal chair in both the Wind Ensemble and the Symphony Orchestra. Additionally, she won ODU's Young Artist Competition in the fall of 2009. Since her graduation from ODU in 2010, she has been teaching private and group flute lessons throughout the Hampton Roads area.
<b>Guitar and Percussion</b>	<b>Aaron Cook</b> is a graduate of Virginia Tech, summa cum laude, with majors in Music Performance and Music Technology and minors in Computer Science and Math. He served as rank captain for the Virginia Tech drum line and the drummer for the Hokie Pep Band. He recently performed as part of the showcase performance group at Carnegie Hall. He has a vast amount of experience as a worship team leader, serving in several different congregations over the past 6 years and has led both youth and adult worship teams. In addition to his technical proficiency, he brings a rich understanding of the role music can play in opening one's heart to the Lord.
<b>Piano and Voice</b>	<b>Sharon Parker</b> graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Master's of Music Education from Old Dominion University. Sharon has been a part of the homeschooling community for over twenty-five years through participating in co-ops with her four children, serving as Fine Arts Director of Oaktree School/Academy, directing award winning homeschool choirs and teaching private voice and piano lessons in her home. She is currently the Administrator of Choirs and Orchestra at Kempsville Presbyterian Church and Choir director at KEYS. In 2014, she was named as one of Hampton Road's Outstanding Music Teachers by the Virginia Symphony.
<b>Trumpet</b>	<b>Jimmy Whittemore</b> brings to KEYS a passion for ministry and excellence in performance. A former homeschool graduate, he is currently pursuing his Bachelor Degree in Music at ODU. Jimmy's primary instrument is trumpet. He has had extensive instruction in jazz and classical music, playing for many years in groups at the district and state levels as well as Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra. He is also a worship leader at his church, directing choir and the sanctuary orchestra.
<b>Violin</b>	Cindy Bryan graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor and Master's Degree in Music Education. She went on to teach music, K-12, and choir at Okinawa Christian School International and played with the Okinawa Symphony Orchestra. Upon returning to the states, Cindy taught beginning strings in the Norfolk Public Schools. Cindy is the Director of Fine Arts for KEYS and teaches string classes. She has been a guest conductor for All-City events in Virginia Beach and Newport News as well as an adjudicator for local orchestra festivals. In 2014 and 2015, she was named as one of Hampton Road's Outstanding Music Teachers by the Virginia Symphony. Cindy is currently Assistant Concertmaster of Symphoncity.