Teachers and Parents Guide to “Starring Your Recorder” Videos

The recorder has been an important instrument worldwide for hundreds of years. It has often been played along with other beautiful instruments that are still played today.

With these six videos, experience playing easy tunes on recorder accompanied by a Renaissance band.

Presented by Gotham Early Music Scene, Inc.

Free for Educators, Students, Families
For use in classrooms and at home

Each video is approximately 12 minutes and comprises:

• Introduction (identical for all videos; ends at minute 1:30)
• Instruction for the tune, with music notation
• Renaissance band accompanying students on the tune, showing notation, led by instructors
• Spotlight on one of the performers and instruments
• Band accompanying the tune again, without notation, Starring Your Recorder.

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# TUNES, NOTES, FEATURES, AND PERFORMER SPOTLIGHTS FOR EACH VIDEO

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<td>G A B</td>
<td>Simple French folk song, familiar to many classes.</td>
<td>Daphna Mor demonstrates different sizes of recorders and performs “Boffons” by Jacob Van Eyck, Dutch composer of the 17th century.</td>
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<td>AABA form. Students play A sections.</td>
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<td>Video 2: Branles (pronounced “Brall”)</td>
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<td>Renaissance dance, strong rhythms.</td>
<td>Paul Holmes Morton talks about playing the lute and performs a prelude by John Dowland, an Elizabethan English composer.</td>
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<td>Composed by Claude Gervaise, a 16th century French composer.</td>
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<td>Video 5: Chinese Folk Song</td>
<td>G A B E</td>
<td>Minor mode, familiar to many classes.</td>
<td>Jianpeng Feng talks about playing many percussion instruments and plays a solo called “Rolling Walnuts” on the Chinese thin drum.</td>
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<td>Video 6: Singing Together on the Mountain</td>
<td>G A B C E</td>
<td>A famous Spanish song from the Middle Ages, from ”Libre Vermell (Red Book) of Monserrat”. Original words are “Cuncti Simus Concanientes”.</td>
<td>Recorder ensemble of 13 young people from the Netherlands, The Royal Wind Music, performs a Galliard by Innocentio Alberti, an Italian composer of the 16th century.</td>
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<td>Includes syncopation and drones. AABA form. Students play tune on A sections and drone on B sections.</td>
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Useful Links for Early Music and Instruments

Early Music America  www.earlymusicamerica.org
American Recorder Society  www.americanrecorder.org
Viola da Gamba Society of America  www.vdgsa.org
Lute Society of America  www.lutesocietyofamerica.org

Other Links on Recorder Education

American Recorder Society  www.americanrecorder.org
S’Cool Sounds  www.scoolsounds.org

Scroll down for YouTube links
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Music Director: Daphna Mor
Consultant and Instructor: Michael Roberts

Renaissance Band Members:
  Jianpeng Feng, Percussion
  Paul Homes Morton, Lute
  Patricia Ann Neely, Viola da Gamba

Videographer: Erik Ryding  quillmusic.com
  assisted by Dennis Cembalo and Christina Conroy
Sound Director: Robert Anderson  andersonsoundrecording.com

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Performances of recorders on YouTube
(some may include initial ads)

**Woodpeckers Quartet**

![Image of Woodpeckers Quartet]

- Vivaldi
- Telemann
- Bach: Brandenburg #3
- Bach: Art of Fugue

**Two teenagers with string orchestra**

![Image of two teenagers with string orchestra]

- Handel: Queen of Sheba

**Royal Wind Music**
(featured in Video #6)

![Image of Royal Wind Music]

- Salterello (Medieval dance)
- Trabaci: Galliard
- Phalese: Bransle

**Charlotte Barbour-Condini**
BBC contest winner

![Image of Charlotte Barbour-Condini]

- Vivaldi

**Global recorder orchestra**: Dozens of people play Handel together virtually

![Image of Global recorder orchestra]

- Lascia Ch’io Pianga

**East of the River:**
Daphna Mor and Nina Stern + percussion in Medieval dance

![Image of East of the River]

- Oor Yes Mayr Im & La Seconde
- Estampie Royale