

Chicago's Terra Sounds School of Music & Arts announces a top-notch team of instructors and a creative approach for in-home lessons in New York City

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Since its grand opening in 2011, Terra Sounds School of Music & Arts has become an integral part of Chicago's North Shore cultural landscape, with work ranging from daily private lessons and group classes in music, arts, and languages to an annual music festival, concerts, recording projects, art exhibitions and community events. With the new school year around the corner, Chicago-based Terra Sounds expands its team nationally to begin offering in-home lessons in New York City.

Terra Sounds NYC announces an impressive lineup of superstar instructors, including electric bassist Moto Fukushima whose background includes a cum laude degree from the prestigious Berklee College of Music and world music trio "House of Waters," The Juilliard School alum saxophonist Braxton Cook who tours and records with Grammy-nominated trumpeter Christian Scott, and beatboxer Mark Martin, an NYU alum who was recently featured on MTV's Season 3 of the hit show "Joking Off."

The instructors team also includes award-winning songwriter and vocalist Maya Solovey, whose music has been featured in numerous films, broadcast TV shows and commercials, Brazilian-born pianist and accordionist Vitor Goncalves who currently performs alongside the renown Israeli jazz clarinetist Anat Cohen, and guitarist Aleks Romanenko, aka recording artist Aleks Di Roma, president and co-founder of Terra Sounds.

"We have always tapped into the world-class resources of Chicago's music and arts scenes to find top of the line instructors," says Romanenko. "Now, we are excited to do the same in New York."

However, the secret ingredient of Terra's success has not only been about great teachers. "A passion of our team is to create extraordinary creative experiences for students of all ages," says Andrey Ash, Terra's managing director and co-founder. "Regular student concerts, jam sessions, music videos, recording workshops, pro artist clinics, and even themed Halloween music parties – all of this is the Terra Sounds experience. Hence, we like to think of Terra as a 'creative playground' for kids and adults."





Students and parents embrace the school's philosophy and get involved in an array of creative projects of their own. "My daughter Mia is seven years old and started drum lessons at Terra Sounds at the age of four" says Mimi Amatan-gelo of Glenview, IL. "Their drum instructors are highly skilled professionals, and they helped a great deal to develop Mia's talent. Recently, casting producers from NBC's "Little Big Shots" and "America's Got Talent" asked Mia to audition for their shows. Thanks to Terra Sounds, we were able to produce a professional video for Mia's submission where even a Hollywood casting agent had highly complimented their work."

Hollywood aside, Terra's new playing field doesn't come as a surprise. New York has always been known as the home city to some of the world's most renowned musicians, artists, and language scholars. With a current staff of 25 instructors in over 40 disciplines, Terra Sounds School of Music & Arts is on track to expand its team of New York City's finest talents in music, arts, and language education and grow its Manhattan-based operation effective August 2016. Registration is now open.

About Terra Sounds School of Music & Arts

Terra Sounds is a creative playground for kids and adults who learn, perform, and grow together through music and arts. The school's faculty consists of some of the most distinguished musicians, artists, and linguists in Chicago and New York City. From private lessons in music, arts, and languages to multi-disciplinary group classes, jam sessions, and recording services, the Terra Sounds experience inspires students of all levels to realize their full creative potential. For more information, please visit TerraSoundsNYC.com

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