

Shannon O'Donnell

Education- BM in Commercial Music-Voice at Belmont University

Teaching Experience- Teaching private voice lessons since 2015, choreographing large groups since 2012

Discipline(s)- Dance, Voice, Piano, Guitar, Ukulele

Interests- Coffee, Jesus, reading for fun, working out, and hiking!

Are you left/Right Handed? Right handed

Are you an Extrovert or Introvert? I am the most outgoing introvert you will meet

Age Preference- All

Level Preference- All for voice, All for dance, beginner and intermediate for piano and guitar

Favorite Series/Method- I truly believe there is no method that works for each student, so in my lessons, I combine different pedagogues in order to create a well rounded student, along with seeing what type of learner the individual is. As far as music selection- I want the students to sing songs they genuinely enjoy. It is important that they get to participate in deciding what they want to work on alongside me, so that they never stop loving it!

Dance/Movement Curriculum- Stretching is SO important so typically the first 10-15 minutes will be about getting the body ready in a fun engaging way. Then each class will be either spent learning a combo, or practicing skills such as leaps and turns.

At-Risk Teaching Abilities- I have experience working with children who experience both learning and physical disabilities and will adjust lessons accordingly!

A note from your teacher

My three greatest passions are kids, music, and faith. Music says what words fail to. It is such a beautiful form of expression, that sees us when everything else fails to. It is an absolute honor to allow others to develop and craft their passion. There is nothing more fun than watching a student smile when they hit a hard note for the first time, land that turn, or share the very first song they've written. I cannot wait to champion you along your musical journey. I know, I would be no where if I didn't have voice and dance teachers encouraging me when I didn't feel deserving, challenging me when I felt like I was stuck, and loving me when I felt not good enough. I hope to create a safe space in our lessons for you to be bold enough to fail and try again. I hope to always remind you your worth is more than how good you perform that day. And most importantly I hope to help you have fun doing something you love!

About the teacher

Shan is an indie pop singer from Orlando Florida now living in the great city of Nashville. She graduated with a Bachelor of music at Belmont University majoring in commercial voice with an emphasis in songwriting. People would describe her music as a late night drive to the beach with the windows down. With her own music, she tends to focus on creating content that is honest, authentic, and fun. She has trained commercially with Kate Paradise, Andriana Haygood, and Linda Ellison. Classically she studied under the phenomenal, Dr. Kristi Whitten. Her training focuses on pop, indie, rock, gospel, and R&B, and classical, however she is not afraid of country or rapping. When it comes to her experience, she spent much of her teen years touring central Florida, with the group The Pop Shop. Specifically in Nashville, she has been a paid worship leader for the past 4 years, and participated in many local writers rounds. Shannon has been a session vocalist in Oceanway and Robert E Molloy Studios. She is currently working on her debut EP, 'Safe Haven' which will feature six of her original songs

