

IFF - Junior Music Studies for highly gifted young musicians at
hmtmh -Academy of Music, Theatre, and Media Hannover

General Course Information

The **IFF** is an Institute for highly gifted young musicians –as junior students (aged 12/13-16)
for a 6-semester-study in parallel with **a regular German public school.**

German is the language of instruction.

Therefore, being able to speak, understand, read and write **German fluently**
is **a required precondition** to be accepted as IFF student.

Time: IFF Applications: close 30. April. **Admission examinations** -annually (end of June)

Duration: IFF beginning in October – lasting for 6 semesters

Usually the **IFF** students remain in their families and schools. So they regularly come to
Hannover University of Music for their **weekly IFF courses** in theory and rhythm at the
weekends after school has finished.

Lessons in instrument, singing etc. can generally also take place at the weekends – or can be
fixed after individual agreements with their teachers.

IFF Course information: included courses /weekly tuition

Three principal subjects:

A 90 min. Instrument /or Voice /or Composition

B 90 min. Music Theory : compositional technique and arrangement and aural training

C 45 min Rhythmics: years 1+2 in rhythmic aural training; in the 3rd year: elementary conducting,
score studies

Subsidiary subjects :

Chamber music (45min) / Interpretation seminar (=Literature, score reading, study of style,
comparison of interpretations)

a second instrument or voice or composition (30min.)

various additional offerings, e.g. academies, seminars master courses etc.

six-monthly tests, annual examinations, final examination

Tuition days: as a rule: Fridays and Saturdays on 34 weekends of the year.

Place of tuition: Academy of Music, Theater and Drama Hannover ;

for principal subject A, tuition by external teachers is also possible

The completion of the "Junior Music Studies" course with the grade "excellent" or "very good"

entitles students to take a degree course in certain programmes of study at the Academy of Music
Theatre and Drama Hannover (HMTMH).

Credits for a later degree course in music at the HMTMH may be given in recognition of
achievements at the IFF.

Younger students (aged ca. 8-12) can apply for an entrance exam for the

Pre Class **VIFF** , which is also a 6- semester-study in parallel with school -

Time:VIFF Applications : close 1st February . **Entrance examinations** -annually in Februar

Duration: VIFF beginning in May – lasting for 6 semesters

Course information:

- **The three principal subjects A-B-C** include:
A Instrument (or Voice or Composition)
B Music Theory (compositional technique and arrangement/aural training)
C Rhythmics (semesters 1,2,3,4: Rhythmic aural training; semesters 5-6-: Elementary Conducting, score studies)
- **Two subsidiary subjects:**
D .Chamber music
E.Interpretation seminar : (*Literature, score reading, study of style, comparison of interpretations*)
- **One additional subject (elective):**
F a second instrument or voice or composition

various additional offerings e.g. seminars , master courses, academies
requirements : six-monthly tests, annual examinations, final examination

Weekly tuition:

Principal subject A Instrument / Voice or Composition: 90 minutes

Principal subject B Music theory: 90 minutes

Principal subject C Rhythmics: 45 minutes

Subsidiary subject D Chamber music: 45 minutes

Subsidiary subject E Interpretation seminar: 45 minutes

Additional subject F elective: 2nd Instrument or Voice or Composition: 30 minutes

Tuition days: As a rule: Fridays and Saturdays on 34 weekends of the year

Place of tuition: Academy of Music and Drama – (external tuition for the principal subject A, is also possible optionally)

- The completion of the "Junior Music Studies" course **with excellent results** entitles students to take a degree course in certain programmes of study at **hmtmh**, Academy of Music, Theatre, and Media Hannover.
- Credits for a later degree course in music at **hmtmh** -Academy of Music, Theatre, and Media Hannover may be given in recognition of achievements at the **IFF**.