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Clinic Overview
The FUNdamentals™ of Drumming for Kids program is a fun way of introducing the basics of drumming to children who are between the ages of 5-10. Although there have been many programs developed for teaching music theory to children, few cater to these younger age groups. This has resulted in a lack of educational techniques and lesson plans for kids. That is, until now. What sets the FUNdamentals™ of Drumming for Kids apart from other programs is the breakdown and presentation of the material. This program uses a variety of teaching techniques that mimic curriculum used in the elementary classroom. These exercises present the basics of drums and drum set theory in a fun and familiar way. Each step in this program is designed to provide children with practical and applicable skills for drumming.

The FUNdamentals™ of Drumming workbook and blog at www.fundrums.wordpress.com has been designed to present percussion theory in a FUN and age-appropriate manner. The FUNdamentals™ of Drumming Clinic is a unique extension of these tools and features:

- Introduction to FUNdamentals™
- Live Demonstrations
- Audience Participation
- Contests and Prizes
- Book Signing/Autograph/Photo Session

The FUNdamentals™ Clinic includes an overview of the program for parents and teachers, followed by FUN activities for the kids such as a basic intro to percussion theory, clapping and hand drumming exercises, drum pad and drum set demonstrations, games, contests w/ prizes and more. This portion is followed by a Q&A and book signing session. Children may also wish to have a photograph taken with the speaker. (Program length is approx. 90 minutes, +/- negotiable.) Event cross-promotion will be provided as part of the author’s social-media presence on associated website, blog, Facebook and Twitter pages.

FUNdamentals™ of Drumming for Kids = Age-appropriate music theory
Clinic Requirements:
For the clinic to be successful and for the students to get a maximum experience, the following are needed:

1. Physical location large enough to hold the expected audience size. Drums are a loud instrument and the location should be located in an area that will not disrupt outside educational classes or other businesses.

2. A small, basic pro level P.A. system that the presenter can run iPod tracks through. The host should have someone on sight that has a working knowledge of sound reinforcement and the use of the provided sound system.

3. An adult drum set and junior drum set are required for the demonstration and audience participation portions of the program. These items will be provided and/or coordinated on a case-by-case basis in conjunction with the author’s endorsers.

4. Two tables (minimum size 6 ft.): Table 1 will provide free audience handouts and promotional materials. Table 2 will serve as the author’s book signing table.

5. Bottled water.
Author Bios

Rich Redmond: Voted as the “Best Drummer in Country Music” Rich is a recording and touring drummer based in Nashville, Tennessee. He is best known as the tenacious timekeeper for the Jason Aldean Band and has played for audiences around the world. An experience clinician and teacher, Rich attended the prestigious University of North Texas where he obtained a Master’s Degree in Music Education. www.richredmond.com

Michael Aubrecht: Michael is an award-winning/best-selling author, historian, documentary film producer and percussionist with a competitive-music background. Michael initially uncovered the concept of using elementary-school teaching techniques while he was showing his 4-year old son how to play drums.

With a motivational speaking program, hundreds of articles, dozens of books, and multiple film, radio and television credits between them, Rich and Michael have extensive experience as guest speakers and clinicians. To book the authors either together (as schedules permit) or separately, please contact them via fundamentalsofdrumming@gmail.com.

The Book

The FUNdamentalsTM of Drumming for Kids is a 180-page workbook that includes rare photographs, illustrations, tables, graphs, musical notation pages, flash cards, drum labels, coloring pages, printable training aids, sheet music and more! Each lesson and exercise uses age-appropriate instructions designed to provide applicable skills for drumming for children ages 5-10. With over 35 separate items, there is something FUN for all ages and stages!

The Blog

The FUNdamentalsTM of Drumming for Kids blog is an extension of the book, as well as an online community of parents, educators and students sharing their experiences. Features include FREE Downloads, Drum Lessons, Student Showcase, Video Lessons and more! Visit www.fundrums.wordpress.com.