



4-H MUSIC PROJECT



Step It Up!

Pass it on! Now that you know how, share it with others. Here are ideas to get you started.

Are you Into It?

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Learn how you can express yourself through the arts!

- Enhance your performance skills
- Explore various types of music
- Compose or arrange music
- Make your own musical instruments

Communication

- Create a poster to promote musical performance
- Write a review of a musical performance
- Write a poem and set it to music

Citizenship

- Perform at community events or a nursing home
- Volunteer to sing the national anthem at community sporting events

Here's what you can do all year!

Starting Out Basic/Level 1

- Perform your music in different places; compare how location affects your sound
- Interview members of your family about their favorite music
- Investigate the role of a music conductor or director
- Identify an event or place you'd like to perform; plan your performance and perform

Learning More Intermediate/Level 2

- Dig into the works by a single composer or performer (solo or group)
- Seek out music you usually do not listen to; compare with music you usually listen to
- Discover what it takes for a group of musicians to stay together for a long time
- Survey radio stations in your area and find out how they decide what music to play

Expanding Horizons Advanced/Level 3

- Compare and contrast different arrangements of the same piece of music
- Write your own piece of music and have someone else test it out
- Compose lyrics for an existing melody
- Trace the history of an instrument that interests you
- Explore the size, shape and materials of different instrument classes

Leadership

- Organize a talent show
- Organize a club outing to a musical performance
- Present a session at 4-H Teen Conference

4-H is a community of young people who are learning leadership citizenship and life skills.

Learn more at www.kentucky4h.org or contact your county extension office.





Take Music Further!

Here are some other opportunities to explore Music:

- Audition for the Kentucky 4-H Performing Arts Troupe
- Perform with a community band or chorus
- Find a 4-H Song book and learn about the history of 4-H songs
- Tour a recording studio and learn about producing a musical recording
- Record your own performance!
- Visit a music museum and learn about the history of an artist, instrument, or musical style
- Contact your county Extension Office for other local workshops, activities, and events
- Attend 4-H Summit and take the School of Rock workshop
- Attend 4-H Teen Conference and participate in workshops, motivational speakers and a community service project, see the Kentucky 4-H Performing Arts Troupe perform at Memorial Hall
- Job shadow or interview a musician, songwriter, composer, choir director, or luthier

Exhibit Ideas

- Enter in the performing arts demonstration category at your local speech and demonstration contest.
- Enter an original song in the Kentucky 4-H Written Communications Contest.
- Perform a song at the Kentucky State Fair 4-H Expressive Arts Day.
- Enter a Press Release about a musical performance in the Kentucky 4-H Written Communications Contest.
- Build an instrument for the woodworking category at the Kentucky State Fair

Resources

4-H Resources	Other Resources	Record Keeping
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KET Toolkit Music 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PlayMusic.org • NY Philharmonic • Music Theory www.musictheory.net/ • Kennedy Center's ArtsEdge • Blank Sheet Music www.blanksheetmusic.net/ • Instrument Encyclopedia www.si.umich.edu/CHICO/instrument/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Record your activities on your Kentucky 4-H Achievement Program application • Contact your county 4-H agent for a project record book.

