



## **Beginning Piano Guide**

### **Choosing Your First Piano**

Beginners and up to 2 years of lessons

- an instrument that has in between 61 and 76 keys with a touch-sensitive keyboard. No special functions are required.
- Examples: Yamaha EZ-300 or PSR-E373

2 years of experience or equivalent

- digital piano with 88-keys and a touch-sensitive and weighted keyboard. No special functions required.
- Examples: Yamaha P-45 or P-515

5+ years of experience or equivalent

- Any acoustic piano, upright or grand.
- Feel free to contact instructor for recommendations or evaluations.

### **Lesson Materials**

Students with previous piano experience will have an assessment during their first lesson to determine what materials will be best suited to them. These students will be asked to prepare a short piece that reflects their experience level. Students without prior piano experience will be recommended lesson books by their teacher for purchase that fit their age and/or level. Some of these books may include:

- Alfred Basic Piano Library Level 1A – Lesson & Theory Books
- Faber “My First Piano Adventure” Lesson Book A
- Faber “Basic Piano Adventures” Primer Lesson Book
- Faber “Accelerated Piano Adventure” Lesson Book 1