# There's an App for That! FCMTA 4-12-16 Karen Skelly

If you do Facebook, join the iPad Piano Teachers Group! Lots of neat ideas. Reviews of apps, and notices of sales, updates.

#### **Great Free Apps**

FaceTime - no more snow days! Also, use if kid is a "little sick".

Camera - video them performing, watch and listen/critique together.

YouTube - watch and compare several performances.

Music Memos - sing or play any little compositional ideas to save.

Ear Trainer Lite - also a full version for \$6.99, but lite has lots.

Pro Metronome - easily adjustable.

Piano Maestro - fabulous for SR, learning pop stuff, etc., "hears" piano. IPad only

Piano 3D - some free songs, more paid. Great for visual learners.

Name that Note - great basic program. Can choose either treble, bass, or both.

## **Theory and Ear Training**

Sproutbeat - 700 theory worksheets students complete right on the iPad while I check their theory. Recycle button clears quickly. \$20. **iPad only**. Can choose your first 25 worksheets for free to see how you like it first.

Music Theory Pro - *very* extensive theory practice and Ear Training. \$3.99.

Ear Trainer - Lite version is free (extensive), or \$6.99.

Read Rhythm - sight reading rhythm trainer. Practice, then test, with adjustable metronome tempos. Gives immediate feedback. \$2.99.

Flashnote Derby - slow paced, easy to choose the specific notes to drill. \$2.99.

Rhythm Swing - basic rhythm practice for younger students. \$3.99 (\$5 bundle w/ Derby).

### **Technic and Composition**

MusicLock - great background tracks in a variety of tempos for scales & improv. \$4.99.

The Most Addicting Sheep Game - stay ON the beat! Kids love this. .99

Audio Ninja - video game format, more advanced rhythms, play ON the beat. .99

Cheeky Fingers - shows fingers playing every imaginable chord. \$2.99.

Symphony Pro - create new scores easily, import scores from XML, MXL, MIDI, Dropbox. Annotate scores with finger or a stylus. \$5 for phone, \$10 for iPad. Similar to Notion app (\$15).

#### **Digital Music Storage**

forScore - import any digital sheet music, scanned PDFs. Create playlists. \$9.99. Turn pages by touching screen or with airturn pedal. No playback currently.

Superscore - free, with some pieces available to purchase.

Musescore - has quite a few free public downloads of sheet music.

## **Studio and Teaching Aids**

Decide Now - free version is limited. .99 for full version that allows you to make as many "spin to choose" wheels as you wish (Keys, Tempos, improv, etc.). From Leila Viss at 88pianokeys.me. She offers a free download of 50 ideas for using this app.

Notability - office use, whiteboard, record and comment verbally or in writing on a piece or whole lesson and student can playback in real time. \$5.99.

Tiny Scanner - scan in any text document and turn it into a PDF (music files!). Free!

Printer Pro - print documents from your iPad or phone. \$6.99.

### Other neat apps to check out:

Classical Music Masters Collection 1 and 2 (Listening) \$5 each Garage Band

Piano Carnival of Animals

Note Works - price of \$4.99 seems high to me for note reading app when so many are available free or cheap, but this includes alto and tenor clefs as well.