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Firehouse Guitars & Music of Decatur Presents:

The Academy of Music Performance (AMP)

GET AMP'D!

Firehouse is excited to bring our students a new way to learn music – by playing in a band! This all-ages program allows students to go beyond personal instruction by learning how to perform in a group setting. A public performance at Decatur's famous Eddie's Attic at the end of the semester allows participants to show off their stuff in one of the Atlanta area's premiere venues!

PROGRAM DETAILS

Applicants may select one of the standard 5 instruments: **guitar, bass, drums, keyboard,** and **vocals** or may select "other" for instruments such as horns or violin. Students will be grouped together based on their selection, age, and skill level.

SCHEDULE AND CURRICULUM

Participants will meet **weekday evenings (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday)** with orientation the week of January 25th and rehearsals through the week of April 5th. The final performance will be held at Eddie's Attic on Tuesday, April 13th.

The AMP curriculum will focus on playing as a group and performing live. A variety of topics will be explored. Below is a summary of the curriculum:

- **Week 0** – General orientation for all students. (Exact date and time TBD.)
- **Week 1** - Introductory session with band members. Band name and song selection will be discussed in this critical first session.
- **Weeks 2-9** – Rehearsals and specialized instruction with other band members and band instructor. Topics covered include playing as a group, songwriting, soloing, how to "jam" in a given key and rhythm, and sound and audio terminology.
- **Week 10** – Final rehearsal and performance.

All Academy performances will be hosted at **Eddie's Attic**. Eddie's Attic is a Decatur music scene staple that has launched such acts as the Indigo Girls and John Mayer. There is normally a 6-month waiting list to play at their famous weekly Open Mic – AMP students get to bypass the wait and play there at the end of the semester!

EQUIPMENT & GEAR

In order to ensure progress it is required that all participants have the equipment needed to practice at home. Students that do not have their own gear may rent it from Firehouse.



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Cost to participate in the AMP program is as follows:

- **AMP Alumni:** \$140 a month or \$350 for the 10-week semester. For AMP alumni that take lessons *while also enrolled* in the AMP program, an additional 5% off will be deducted from the individual lesson fee, pro rated for the 10 weeks.
- **Current Firehouse Students:** \$150 a month or \$375 for the 10-week semester. Note this rate only applies to students who take lessons *while also enrolled* in the AMP program. AMP students who take individual lessons are encouraged to practice their songs as part of their individual instruction.
- **Non-Students:** \$160 a month or \$400 for the 10-week semester.

(Full tuition can be paid up front or can be broken into 3 monthly payments, with the third payment at half the per-month cost.)

Please note there is a ticket charge for guests that attend the final performance at Eddie's Attic. This charge covers production and venue costs. Every AMP participant will receive 1 comp ticket for a guest or a discount on 1 reserved 4-person table.

Not currently a Firehouse student but want to become one? Get the student rate for the AMP Program if you sign up for individual lessons by January 10th!

NEW! AMP REFERRAL PROGRAM

All AMP participants are eligible for our referral program. For every new AMP student that lists your name as a referral, we will give you a \$25 Firehouse Guitars & Music gift card. There is NO LIMIT on referrals!



Academy of Music Performance Student Application, Winter/Spring 2010

Name: _____

School or Workplace: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Age Range: 7-12 ___ 13-17 ___ 18-34 ___ 35-50 ___ 50+ ___

Are you enrolled in lessons at Firehouse, Decatur? (Y/N) ___ If so what instrument? _____

How did you hear about the AMP Program? _____

If referred by another student, please give their name _____

INSTRUMENT SELECTION

Please rank the following instruments 1-5 in order of preference, along with skill level. If only interested in one instrument simply make a single selection. If you don't see your instrument listed fill in "Other."

Indicate skill level based on the following:

- Beginner (6 months to 1 year of lessons/experience)
- Intermediate (1-3 years of lessons/experience)
- Advanced (3+ years of lessons/experience)

	Ranking (1-5) (1=most preferable, 5=least)	Skill Level
Guitar	_____	_____
Bass	_____	_____
Keyboard	_____	_____
Drums	_____	_____
Vocals (Lead)	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____

Indicate below what evenings you are available for practice. Please be as flexible as you can, as this allows us to put together the best groups possible.

Monday ___ Tuesday ___ Wednesday ___ Thursday ___ Friday ___ Saturday ___

Any additional notes or requests?