

# **How Often Should I Have My Piano Tuned?**

## A minimum of two times per year

## Have your piano tuned more often if you feel it is necessary

How often you should tune your piano depends on its condition, the environment in which it is located, and the amount of time that you spend playing it. A piano that is played regularly and is in good condition would do well with 2 tunings per year - each time the seasonal humidity changes. A piano given a daily workout by a serious student will probably need to be tuned 4 times a year or more.

REMEMBER: When the temperature changes drastically (summer and winter) your piano will start to drift out of tune. Wait two or three weeks after the climate change and then call the tuner!

### WHAT THE MANUFACTURERS HAVE TO SAY:

#### **Steinway & Sons**

"...no matter how expertly a piano is tuned, atmospheric variations and the nature of the piano's construction constantly conspire to bring it off pitch"

#### Yamaha Pianos

"...a piano should be tuned at least twice a year."

Complete piano service should include periodic regulation and voicing in addition to tuning."

#### **Baldwin Piano Company**

" After the first year a piano should be tuned at least twice each year."

## WHY IT MATTERS

An out-of-tune piano will clash with the playalong music and hurt the student's ears

If the student was born with "perfect pitch" (absolute pitch), their ears will be trained incorrectly, causing them a lifetime of musical problems

It just sounds better!

