

PIANO

~ APPS FOR IPAD ~

TEACHABLE ONLINE COURSES

FREE



THEY SAY: "Take your online course with you and learn on the go (even offline!)."

I SAY: Here you can access all your lesson content from Piano Picnic courses including 'Super Basics' and the forthcoming 'Songs By Ear! Watch videos, play demos and backing tracks, take quizzes all with the option of downloading for offline use.

VIRTUOSO PIANO FREE 3

VERSION 1 ON ANDROID

FREE



THEY SAY: "...perfect to learn the basics of music or just having fun. Easy as a toy, accurate as a professional instrument."

I SAY: I'm not sure about professional, but for working out a melody, or practising some finger drills it's pretty great. The new ability to read key force and create dynamics is on/off, but all in all, a great option and it's hard to argue with free.

PRO METRONOME

ALSO ON ANDROID

FREE



THEY SAY: "...a powerful tool that helps you master both daily practice and stage performance."

I SAY: This is an easy-to-use tool that really does help you with your practice. Again, I'm not sure if it's reliable enough for onstage use, but for at-home use it's perfect. It even has the 'tap' button where you can tap in the speed you're thinking of and it will repeat it back to you consistently.

PIANO 3D

FREE



THEY SAY: "The most popular piano learning & music discovery tool for iPhone & iPad. Immerse yourself into an unparalleled audio & visual experience!"

I SAY: This takes public domain music and plays it whilst showing a grand piano animation at different angles so you can see the notes being played. It also has the 'synthesia' type of scrolling notes so you can learn to play classical songs by copying the display.

GARAGEBAND

ANDROID OPTION: "MUSIC MAKER JAM"

FREE



THEY SAY: "...turns your iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch into a collection of Touch Instruments and a full-featured recording studio — so you can make music anywhere you go."

I SAY: There's a reason this makes every 'piano iOS apps' best-of list. The synths all work with midi, it has great sounds and great recording features. It has its own drum kits, bass, guitar, etc. The organ is rather nice for playing around with too.

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ANDROID OPTION: "SAUCILLATOR"

\$29.99 US



THEY SAY: "Powered by the new Anisotropic Synth Engine (ASE), is Moog Music's first professional polyphonic synthesizer designed exclusively for the iPad."

I SAY: My personal favourite—explore the synth sounds of Moog by drawing on your iPad screen! I've spent hours exploring the 4-track recording & looping functions. I used it intensively in my last album. It's not cheap but if you think of it as a synth instrument it's great value.