

Suzuki Celebrates Its 30th Birthday!

It is with deepest appreciation that I say thank you for the unflagging support the school has received over the last 30 years. This week celebrates the 30th year since the school was founded. Our school, based on a dream shared with my cofounder, the late David Smith, was created to focus exclusively on providing an early childhood education that would be ranked among the finest.



When the school was first started, we collaborated with Dr. Shinichi Suzuki to incorporate his concepts for teaching music into an early childhood education. We opened our doors on Andrews Drive (*photo on right*) with 3 children, but quickly outgrew the space and moved to our current facility on Cains Hill Place.

Over the years the school has grown tremendously, in both the number of students enrolled and in the development of our academic program. We believe our approach is unique, because we value the individual learning styles of each child and because we approach these early formation years with as much enthusiasm and wonder as the children have themselves.

The past 30 years have been extremely rewarding for me — the school has been my life passion. Countless children have benefited from the Suzuki experience over the years—some are now coming back as parents! The children continue to fill us with pride and amaze us with all they achieve.

I cannot find the words to express my gratitude to all the parents that have supported us over the years—both through the early years and through our most recent growing pains. I must also recognize the incredible teachers who have taught as a labor of love and who have made our program what it is today —they are the heart of the school.

Finally, a huge thanks to Debra Markham, our Director. She has been my partner for nearly 25 years, and has a driving force in Suzuki's success.

Later this year we will host a celebration event to commemorate our anniversary. Details to follow!

Sincerely,

Marlene Lerer, Founder