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### **Music as Simple as Fruit Salad**

Local music instructor Carole Lovelace of Unionville is making music as easy as apples and pears to preschool students at Tick Tock Early Learning Center. Comparing quarter notes to pears and eighth notes to apples, students made maraca eggs and read the notes and rests to several Christmas carols. This was part of the first lesson in a twelve-week program to encourage the students to explore the joys of Suzuki musical education. "I learned from Dr. Suzuki himself," Lovelace said. "Starting music introduction as early as 3 to 5 years old can encourage a lifelong love of music." Lovelace includes the teachers in her lessons so they can offer reinforcement the rest of the week. Lovelace hopes to bring in more sophisticated instruments as the program develops to expand students' experience with musical performance.

Suzuki Music is part of a new STEAM program Tick Tock is growing which also includes Carousel Performing Arts. This expanded curriculum of music appreciation would not be possible without the help of Lovelace and other community persons who share their time and talents with these young students. To learn more about how you can sponsor the Suzuki Music program, please email us at [info@ticktockelc.org](mailto:info@ticktockelc.org).

