

Tony Monaco

Online Lessons FAQ and Guidelines

How can I pay for my lessons?

For all lesson packages and price points, payment must be completed before scheduling can occur. Use the appropriate “Buy Now” buttons on the website, these will take you to a secure PayPal checkout where you can purchase using a few different methods.

Do I need an organ to study with Tony?

No, you do not need an organ. A keyboard, synth, or clonewheel is just fine as long as I can hear you through your web microphone or mixer/audio interface. (Unless we are hooking up via midi through Internet midi (see optional software below)

Am I able to re-watch or listen to my lesson afterwards?

Yes! Tony records every lesson with hi quality video, Studio quality audiovisual, and MIDI data which he then compiles and sends to you in an email afterwards, including an LMS file, which can be used with your MIDICulous freeware.

What programs do I need to download, and do they cost anything?

Lessons with Tony use the integration of a few programs to maximize your learning experience both in the lesson and outside of it on your own practice time. These are the applications that you will need for the best results;

- Skype - for the video/audio and chat portions of lessons
- MIDICulous - for real-time MIDI information from Tony, with abilities to slow-down, loop, and see notes highlighted on a virtual keyboard station.

- *Optional: “Internet MIDI”* - A program that allows you to connect your controller via MIDI and play even if you don’t have amplification or speakers.
- *Optional: “GSI VBII Tonewheel Organ Simulator”* - This is a standalone synth engine that replicates full organ capability on your MIDI controller and computer.
- *Optional: “iReal Pro”* - A playback and backing track app that has thousands of popular songs and progressions that Tony will draw from to assign you.

How does scheduling work?

Once payment is made, Tony will be in touch with you via email about when you can schedule your lesson(s). Make sure to provide as many available time slots as you can, keeping in mind any time-zone differences. Tony lives in an Eastern Time (ET) Zone of the United States.