

Award-Winning Video Game Piano Wizard Used for Pilot After School Program with Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy

New academic version of Piano Wizard is bundled with Piano Wizard Academy DVDs and lesson plans

Longmont, Colo. – (May 30, 2007) – Allegro Rainbow, a leading provider of music gaming software and music education tools, and yourhomework.com, a leading online educational resource, announces the launch of Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy, a special version of the innovative teaching tool Piano Wizard. This new teaching resource includes DVD video lessons with special instruction from renowned SIU Professor Don Beattie, who has created the Piano Wizard Academy curriculum, and lesson books, lesson plans and sheet music. These new bundles were specifically created for the after school and home education market. The combination of the game, the DVDs, the songs and sheet music takes the Piano Wizard game and turns it into an exceptional music teaching tool.

The Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy is both an after school teaching service and a product line, made available through one of the leading educational resources for students on the internet, yourhomework.com. This new offering from Allegro comes in two versions: ACADEMY PREMIER, which contains 20 DVD lessons and Lesson Books One and Two, and ACADEMY EASY MODE, which contains 10 DVD lessons and Lesson Book One

The Piano Wizard Academy DVDs are unique in that they are not directed to the students, but to the parents, non-music educators and piano teachers, as guides as to how to best use the game, allowing even people with no music education to facilitate advanced learning that the game engenders. These DVDs serve as useful informational resources for new Piano Wizard users of all ages. Initially, Professor Beattie explains the basic components of the game and how to best begin using the game.

“The beauty of the Piano Wizard lies in the simplicity of the method, so we tried to create the Piano Wizard Academy DVD lessons in the most intuitive way we knew how,” says Don Beattie, Professor of Music, Southern Illinois University.

Prof Beattie then takes you step by step through the Piano Wizard Academy curriculum, each individual song is turned into a chapter. In each of the Chapters, Prof Beattie touches on different aspects of the game, everything

from initiating the “fingering” option to taking students to the “fifth” level of Piano Wizard: reading music effortlessly and painlessly at a real piano.

“The game is great at several things, from teaching the notes, to transitioning to music notation and it excels at getting the kids to practice like nothing else. Yet it cannot teach phrasing, dynamics, technique, in other words, the art and love of music, which must be taught by human beings. A batting cage might improve your focus, but it isn’t baseball. We saw that Don and Delayna Beattie were adding so much value to the game with their innovative and imaginative teaching styles, based on decades of dedicated piano and music teaching. This multi-leveled structure and compassionate guidance made so much difference to the kids, so we set out to create the Piano Wizard Academy DVDs, to empower almost anyone to share the gift of music with loved ones,” says Chris Salter, CEO of Allegro Rainbow. “Professor Beattie has done an outstanding job designing and articulately conveying the lessons; with over 30 years experience as a music educator, Professor Beattie has proven to be an invaluable resource to this project.”

“When we saw the ability to get music education into the schools through this innovative and unique after school program, we naturally wanted to share it first with our customers, the dedicated teachers, principals and parents who are committed the best educational tools for their children. It is rare something so fun can have so much positive educational impact with so many children,” said Soorena Salari, CEO of YOURHOMEWORK LLC.

The PREMIER version of Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy, a complete summer course in music that feels like a trip to the video game arcade, is available for \$299.99 (with a professional 49 key keyboard), and the EASY MODE version of Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy Versions is available for \$199.99.

For more information about Yourhomework Music Wizard Academy Version of Piano Wizard, please visit <http://www.YourhomeworkMusicWizardAcademy.com>.

About Allegro Rainbow:

Allegro Rainbow is a leading provider of non-violent, music videogame software. Allegro is combating the perception that all videogames are harmful through patented music learning methods, which can eliminate many frustrations associated with traditional music lessons. Allegro teaches how to play musical instruments through entertaining fun and games, supported by never-ending musical content! Allegro Rainbow’s core mission is to help bring about universal music literacy.

For more information, please visit www.pianowizard.com.

About YOURHOMEWORK LLC

yourhomework.com provides a simple solution to the age-old challenge of keeping students up-to-date and informed of homework, projects and tests. Students can remain in touch with their assignments whenever they miss a class or just want to stay ahead of the game. We've created a place that allows students to improve academic achievement, and parents to become more involved with their child's education.

yourhomework.com is designed to serve a broad range of teachers, from kindergarten to 12th grade, and provides easy navigation and open templates for teachers to post upcoming assignments. Teachers fill out a registration form on their first visit and then are given access to space to enter homework for one or multiple courses. Students and/or their parents view assignments in seconds from any web browser.

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