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Caring for your Piano



To have your piano tuned or “serviced” is not as costly as some people might imagine. Every piano is different, and will require tuning at different times. To play an “in tune” piano can encourage more practice time as the result of the sound will be much more pleasing to the ear.

When a piano has been moved (eg from one house to another), as a general rule it will require a tune. Some people who sell piano’s privately and advertise “has been recently tuned” are probably unaware that when they are moved they tend to go out of tune and will need tuning again.

Piano tuners generally also repair pianos and provide recommendations on what improvements can be made to your piano. Keeping this in mind, unfortunately there are some very old pianos out there, which are not worth spending money on to fix.

The location of where the piano is located in your room is also important. Piano’s located on an outside wall of the home or a room that fluctuates greatly in temperature will lose their tuning far easier than one on an inside wall. It is also strongly recommend that a piano not be located on a wall with water pipes running behind.

My piano is approximately 30 years old and is in excellent condition. It is used for many hours a week, and due to the fact that it is serviced and tuned regularly, we have had no problems.