



## Sarah McLachlan School of Music officially opens today

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The Sarah McLachlan School of Music has found a home for its expanding roster of disadvantaged kids.

Today sees the opening of the Sarah McLachlan School of Music at its new site off Main Street. McLachlan's partner in this venture is the non-profit, like-minded Wolverton Organization, which takes over from the Arts Umbrella as backers.

The opening is a fulfilment of a hope to provide music education for Vancouver's underprivileged children. As such, it carries on the work of the Sarah McLachlan Foundation, which was created in 1999 and, later in 2002, the Sarah McLachlan Music Outreach program. It started in a church with 269 students, offering studies in choir, singing, playing an instrument and other music fundamentals. The program was such a success that it outgrew the church and a new facility was needed.

It was found off Main Street in a 35,000-square-foot site that houses soundproofed studios, a recital hall and even a lunch room.