

Katari Taiko

2026 CLASSES

A four-week introductory course covering fundamental taiko playing techniques and stances, the vocal learning of rhythms and hands on drumming experience

Thursday evenings:

September 10 & 17 and October 1 & 8

6:30 pm - 9:30 pm (3 hours)

Fee: \$300

Maximum 6 participants

Location: Vancouver Japanese Hall, 487 Alexander Street

Contact: diane@dkam.ca / 604-728-8240 / www.kataritaiko.bc.ca

Goals: To learn fundamental taiko drumming techniques on an upright stand. No previous experience is necessary. Must be 14 years of age or older.

What you will do:

- Learn body positioning and how to strike taiko drums on an upright stand;
- Learn fundamental techniques, form, and how to vocalize and play rhythms;
- Create a group song together;
- Use kiai (shouts) to support the drumming;
- Practice basic care and maintenance of drums and other equipment;

Format: Each class includes: stretching, strengthening, and vocal exercises; 120-130 minutes of drumming; and a guided cool down. All students will help set up and pack up drums.

Instruction: The course will be taught by members of Katari Taiko.

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TAIKO COURSE AND MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

E-mail: _____ Tel (day): _____ Tel (eve): _____

Please check all that apply:

☐ Please register me for the 4-week Taiko Course (September 10 & 17 and October 1 & 8, 2026)

☐ I would like to become a member of the Katari Taiko Drum Group Association.

Course fees, memberships and donations (please check all that apply):

☐ 4-week Taiko Course \$ 300 _____

☐ Membership (one-time fee) \$ 2 _____

☐ Tax Deductible Donation (enter amount) _____

Enclosed is a cheque payable to Katari Taiko for:

Total _____

Please return completed form and payment to Katari Taiko, #410 – 111 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 1H4.

Registration will be confirmed after the fee is paid. Refunds will be considered if participants withdraw at least seven days prior to the first day of the course. A request for a refund must be received in writing by this deadline.

