



# Web education – Teacher training course The Suzuki organ method, Level 1

The web education is an unique opportunity for organists to train and become Suzuki organ teachers – level one - through **self-studies**. It is affordable and easily accessible. The education

is personal, and gives you opportunity to consult me via e-mail. You have also possibility to take a complementary course for me when you have done the web education.

## 115 pages of text-material and 5 h. instruction videos

The education contains 115 pages of text material and five hours of instructions videos. (The whole base for the Suzuki organ methodology)

In the videos I show and explain very clear in detail how to teach and play step by step every piece in book 1 and 2 with a very methodical approach. So the videos are not lessons with children.

The text material describes thoroughly the corner stones in the Suzuki method and the theoretical knowledge of teaching. It also contains a list of all the “teaching points” for the pieces in book 1 and 2.

I describe the way of working between student-parent-teacher and give advices and ideas about how to create a good environment for teaching, learning, practicing, performing and social interaction.

*All the text material and videos are in English.*

You get a solid education as Suzuki organ teacher and will be able to teach children of all ages by the Suzuki organ method.



## Five Episodes

The level one education consists of five Episodes. you order the education you will get the folders for the

When five Episodes by post. You will also get a web account with a personal login for the instruction videos for 18 months.

**Episode 1 – 5: 5500 SEK** (8 may - current course: €590 or \$671 US)

Banks may have different charges for transferring money to bank accounts in other countries. Check this and pay any charges beyond the cost of the course.



## Delivery of the Episodes

You **order the web education** by filling in the form at the web page **“teacher training courses”**  
There you write your name and address where I shall send the written material.

After you have paid for the education, I will send the Episode/Episodes by post to you, and you will get a personal login to your web account.

## Complementary course after the web education

When you have taken the web education, you have possibility to take a complementary 5-days course for me if you want. I will help you to play perfectly relaxed, and get the most efficient way of playing, where you use minimal energy. This prevents you from being tired in your hands and arms and makes you avoid tensions. I will help you with your specific problems.

You will also get concrete advices about how to deal with children with different difficulties.

These 5-days courses is open for 1 – 3 participants. There I also check that you have understood and execute the pedagogical moves in the methodical approach in a correct way.

You get to teach as a practice, different pieces, and I give you advices about how you can make the approach even more efficient, and become even clearer in the communication with the students.

We discuss pedagogical issues and lift different problems you face in a teaching context.

If you are on a high technical level of playing, I go into more advanced technical exercises, to make you as a participant get the most out of my teaching.

This is possible because I teach in an organ studio, where each participant sits by his/her own organ and practice with headphones, while one participant at the time gets instructions.

When something is important to all participants, I ask the others to turn around and see what I want to show. After that everyone continue to practice and I go on to the next participant.

After completing the web education, you are very well prepared to take the complementary course with me, and the 5-days-course will be very efficient. If you pass the complementary course, you will get a certificate that you have completed the Suzuki teacher training course – level 1 - for Gunilla Rönnerberg.

## Lärkvallens training center

The summer 2013 we moved to the south of Sweden, and we have created a training center for teacher training courses at our home. It is situated in a wonderful area, 25 km from the coast in the municipality of Ängelholm.

There are two houses with seven beds, and because of that I can offer a simple solution where you both can take the course, practice and stay in the same place.

It is important to book the course well in advance, to have the opportunity to get the appropriate dates. In the application form you will write your requests dates, and later you will get suggestions for a week where there are several participants notified. The teaching is in English. If you know Swedish and wish to participate in a Swedish spoken course, you have to notice that in the application.



You can find **the application** for the **complementary 5-days course** on Lärkvallen's training center on the Web page under **"teacher training courses"**

## Staying at "Lärkvallens training center"!

If you wish to stay at the training center, there is a cost of 50 SEK (8 US-dollar or 6 Euro)/ night. Sheets and towels are included.

You will stay in a traditional half-timbered house of the region Skåne, with access to practice instruments. In a conservatory with floor heating, you can practice in total silence. The course is also held in this house. If you have a car it is only 25 minute drive to the long sand beaches at Ängelholm, where you can walk by the sea. During spring and autumn, or even in early summer mornings, it is almost no one on the beautiful long beaches.



If you stay at the training center, you will have to purchase and cook your own food. We are happy to give you a ride on the first day to the store. When you arrive, we will provide breakfast on the first morning. If there is a place over, you can bring an accompanying companion.

Even if you don't stay at the training center, you can use the kitchen to cook your lunch or preparing snacks during the days.

You can also stay one more week if you wish, to practice for a concert, or just have a holiday.

## Payment

Course fee: 14 000 SEK/week (8 may - current course: 1 707 US dollar or 1501 Euro)

Accommodation: 50 SEK / night (8 may - current course: 6 US dollar or 6 Euro)

20% of the course fee is paid when we agreed on the dates of the course.

The remaining payment is due 2 weeks before the course starts.

## Formal ESA-exam

For those who would like to, it is possible to undergo a formal level-one examination of the European Suzuki association. The exam is organized once every two years and is outside the training. To be allowed to take the exam for an international jury, one must pass the course at Lärkvallen's training center.

*To encourage and give children confidence and joy in learning is the basis of the methodology. In the Suzuki method, we know that "Every Child Can Learn"!*



# Content of the Web education

## **Episode 1**

Shinichi Suzuki

Corner Stones

Listening

Ergonomic conditions

Practice advices for the Teacher trainees

Twinkle variations

How to play and teach Piece no. 1 – 7, Book 1

## **Episode 2**

Parent course

Fun with practice

Games and Bonus systems

One lesson – one point

Practice routines for the children

How to play and teach Piece no. 8 – 18, Book 1

## **Episode 3**

How to start with a new student

Body posture

To teach an organ piece step by step

To prepare a student to perform

How to play and teach Piece no. 19 – 26, Book 1 + Piece no. 1-3, Book 2

## **Episode 4**

To think about when you are teaching

How to teach step by step

Different ways to help the student

Stop and Stop – prepare

How to play and teach Piece no. 4-10, Book 2

## **Episode 5**

Repetition

Playing scales

Sight reading

Group lessons

How to play and teach Piece no. 11-17, Book 2

