

Resources for Outdoor Music Exploration

Outdoor Movement Props/Supplies

[Becker's Global Music & Movement Kit](#)

[Becker's Outdoor Balancing Sound Bar](#)

Visuals, Tips & Instructions for Music Walls

Citro, Asia. [Backyard Design: DIY Outdoor Sound Wall/Music Station](#) (visuals & tips)

Dees, Sarah. [How to Make a PVC Pipe Xylophone Instrument](#) (includes measurements, instructions, and video of sound and playing method)

Evry, Nicole. [DIY Pallet Music Wall for Kids](#). (instructions on pallet use, tips)

Owner Builders Network. [Build your kids an outdoor music wall from recycled materials! - Your Projects@OBN](#) (visuals)

Wikipedia. [Make a PVC Pipe Drum](#). (detailed instructions)

Zeni, Megan. [How to Build a Music Wall in your Outdoor Classroom](#) (visuals, tips & links to many other styles)

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Sources:

Aussie Childcare Network. [Using Open Ended Questions with Children.](#)

Schei, Tiri Bergesen. [Musical Exploration in Everyday Practices – Identifying Transition Points in Musicking](#)

Heintz, Lisa. [A growing list of illustrated songs \(Song Picture Books\) and books about music and movement for EC ages.](#) See tabs across the bottom of page for each category.

Heintz, Lisa. [Making Noises Joyful: Outdoor Music & Play](#)

Heintz, Lisa. [Benefits of an Outdoor Music Playground.](#)

Sample letter of request for supplies

Dear (school/classroom) friends & family:

We are planning to create a Magical Musical Sound Stage for our classes this summer. It will be located outside the 4s classes near the south end of the playground where we can all access it easily.

A Sound Stage (see photo example) can be created with many simple, common household supplies that will help us create a variety of sounds and songs together. Look at our list of potential sound-making materials and building supplies below. If you have anything gently used (even parts from broken items) that you'd be willing to contribute, please send it in by June 30, 2022. We are not limited to these suggestions, so please share your ideas! We are excited for this to be a school-wide project! We will determine the size/shape of our Sound Stage once we have an idea of the materials we will have to work with.

Thank you, as always, for your enduring support of our children's natural development.

Please direct questions to: -----

- Wooden pallet, pallet breaker tool (borrow)
- Small section of fencing (wood or chain link)
- Outdoor paint- any colors
- Spar/boat varnish
- Coffee-style cans (all sizes)
- Metal or wooden kitchen utensils
- Metal or plastic cooking items (pots, pans, racks, lids, ice trays, cookie tins, molds, colanders, etc)
- Tree slices
- PVC pipe (2"), elbows

- Metal xylophone/parts
- Plastic buckets/washtubs
- Washboard, expandable metal gate
- Wooden posts or slats
- Large hooks, S hooks, cup/curtain hooks, chain
- Wooden cable spool
- Bells, chimes
- Wooden dowels
- Battery operated CD player
- Old CDs-all family-friendly genres

