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LONG BEACH BRANCH

Upcoming Events:

- + 11/4-Piano Masterclass
- + 11/17-Theme Festival
- + 12/8-Ensemble Festival
- 1/27 Wheeler Concert (new date)!

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President's Message

In the spirit of Thanksgiving we celebrate all that is wonderful about our Long Beach Branch....our members! We are grateful for the diverse talent in our midst, but even more for the generosity displayed by those who share their gifts so willingly with all of us.

October highlights included a delightful and informative presentation given by Jennifer Watts at our monthly meeting. As the State Improvisation Chair, Jennifer was able to provide helpful information about this unique program. In addition, she shared great tips on how to incorporate improvisation into our lessons. Thank you, Jennifer, for your inspiration!

We are grateful to member, Dr. Sam Chou for his support of our branch and the musical community at large. We hope that members and students will take advantage of the exciting programs he is making available to us. Look for announcements in our monthly newsletters and through our branch emails.

The Branch offers a veritable feast of opportunities to our students and teachers throughout the year. We thank our many event chairs for their dedication to these programs and for ensuring that they are available to all of us.

Finally, we owe a debt of gratitude to our amazing Branch Board of Directors, who are working hard to serve the many needs of our members. Thank you, Board members for your integrity and for being so engaged on the many issues we face.

Be sure to read about upcoming events in this newsletter: The Theme Festival on November 17 and the Ensemble Festival on December 8!

Sarah Sandvig & Marla Devich Co-Presidents: MTACLB Branch



November, 2018

Theme Festival



Saturday, November 17 (10:00 to 2:00) At Newcomb Auditorium.

This year's theme is *North American Composers*.

All instruments, students and teachers are welcome and we hope that many of you will choose to participate.

Enrollment is online at <u>www.mtaclb.com</u>

You may contact chair Laura Dickey with questions. <u>astromusette@yahoo.com</u>







WHEELER MEMORIAL CONCERT 1/27/19!!

Dear colleagues,

I am glad to announce that the Wheeler Memorial concert will take place on Sunday, January 27th, at 4pm at the Newcomb Academy.

I invite you all to come and play on the Memorial concert 2018! It is a great opportunity to showcase the many talents of Long Beach Branch teachers as performers and to gather and meet together in music! We are welcoming your diverse ideas of repertoire. We welcome solos and ensembles! Please unleash your creativity for this new Wheeler Memorial Concert!

I hope you will be able to play on this coming concert. If so, please let me know. Thank you for considering be part of this event! It is about time to think about it!

Also please note there is no time limit for the piece you want to play : it should be a respectable but not too long length. Ultimately, it will depend on the number of volunteers and what they (meaning YOU!) want to play. So it can be wise to propose me different pieces by order of preference, and I will see what is possible to do when ALL OF YOU have answered me!

thank you!

Jeremie Favreau jef72@hotmail.fr







Ensemble Festival Announcement

Come one, come all!! The Branch Ensemble Festival is on the horizon. This delightful event will take place on <u>Saturday, December 8 from 10:00 to 2:00 in the</u> <u>Newcomb Auditorium.</u>

Deadline to register is Saturday, Dec. 1st!

We welcome <u>all</u> ensembles and instruments, teachers, students, parents and friends! You may enroll on our website at <u>www.mtaclb.com</u>. Enrollment fees are \$6 per performer. Please contact Marla Devich at <u>mjdevich@gmail.com</u> or Ellen Noble at <u>ellen.m.noble@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.



Music Student's Service League 2018 Schedule



To participate, teachers please email:

<u>lilia.pershina@gmail.com</u> no later than 3 days before the recital day. There will not be any late registration. Recital attire required.

Artesia Christian Home

11614 183rd Street Artesia, CA 90701

Held on Sundays at 2:00 pm

November 11 December 9

Katella Manor

3952 Katella Avenue Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Held on Sundays at 3:00 pm

October 21 November 18 December 16



Thank you for your participation! Lilia Pershina – MSSL Chair 2018-2019 Music Teacher's Association of California – Long Beach Branch

The Music Student's Service League (MSSL) was formed so students of MTAC members may have the opportunity to service the community through music. MTAC awards community service credits to students in exchange for their time, efforts, and talents. These awards, in turn, help students to fulfill the graduation requirements of their schools. Students share their gift of music with the community by giving recitals in senior citizen living facilities. MSSL is a student-run organization under the guidance of an MTAC teacher.

Who can I contact?

Here is a quick list of Board Members who can help you with any questions you may have.

Sending Emails/Announcements to the Branch Referral Service (If you need students or your studio is full) Contact: Yukiko Nobles: <u>yukikonobles@gmail.com</u> (1st VP)

Reimbursements for Branch Expenses Contact: Ellen Noble: <u>ellen.m.noble@gmail.com</u> (Treasurer)

Programs, Master Classes

Contact: Marc Lombardino: <u>marclombardino@gmail.com</u> (2nd VP)

Membership Contact: Susan High: cookylane@aol.com (Membership Sec.)

Certificate of Merit

Contact: Jennifer Watts: jennifer.morris.watts@gmail.com Andrea Chou Wu: jou-hsiang en@hotmail.com (CM Directors)

Newsletter

Contact: Sarah Sandvig: sarahsandvig@gmail.com

Additional Questions/Concerns

Contact: Sarah Sandvig: <u>sarahsandvig@gmail.com</u> or Marla Devich: <u>mjdevich@gmail.com</u>



Please submit all Noteworthy News <u>by the 25th</u> for publication in the following month.

Please have photos as jpeg files and provide all heading/captions/story in MS WORD format. No PDF's please.

Email all submissions to Sarah Sandvig at: sarahsandvig@gmail.com

Don't forget to check out our website:

www.mtaclb.com

for past newsletters, forms, maps, calendar, and more!

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MISSION STATEMENT AND GOALS

The mission of the Music Teachers' Association of California (MTAC) is the pursuit of excellence in music education:

- To promote the stability of the music teaching profession,
- To maintain the high professional standards of our members,
- To maintain the exacting qualifications for membership in the organization establishing the active member as a qualified, accredited teacher, and
- To promote the development of musical potential and ability in students.