



Ohio Music Teachers Association
Affiliated with Music Teachers National Association
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Greetings!

The **MTNA National Conference** begins tomorrow at the Chicago Marriott Downtown March 22-26. Please review the following link for detailed information regarding the schedule of concerts, events, meetings and sessions:
<https://members.mtna.org/conference2014/index.html>

National Conference Events and News

- **CCM-MTNA selected as the MTNA Collegiate Chapter of the Year.** CCM's MTNA Collegiate Chapter is proud to announce it has been named MTNA's 2013-2014 Benjamin Whitten Collegiate Chapter of the Year. Advised by Michelle Conda, PhD, and led by Brianna Matzke, president, Peter Oehrtman, vice president, Andy Villemmez, Treasurer, and Sophie Wang, Secretary, the 13-member chapter will be honored during the Business Luncheon at the MTNA National Conference in March. The chapter was selected for the award based on its activities in arts outreach and professional development. Click on [CCM-MTNA](#) to access the complete story on our fine student ambassadors.
- **Meetings:**
 - Arts, Awareness and Advocacy, Sunday, March 23, 2:15
 - Collegiate Chapters, Sunday, March 23, 2:15
 - College Faculty Forum, Sunday, March 23, 11:00
 - East Central Division Meeting, Sunday, March 23, 5:00 (refreshments served + door prizes)
 - Wellness, Monday, March 24, 2:15
 - Independent Music Teachers, Monday, March 24, 2:15
 - Collaborative Performance, Tuesday, March 25, 2:15
 - Competitions Open Meeting, Tuesday, March 25, 11:00
 - Composer Commission, Tuesday, March 25, 11:00
 - Annual Business Meeting, Tuesday, March 25, 1:00
 - Local Associations, Tuesday, March 25, 2:15
 - Certification Reception, Tuesday, March 25, 5:00
- **MTNA Competition Finals: Representatives from Ohio**
 - Shatten Trio (piano, cello and violin), UC-CCM, String Chamber Music
 - West Clifton Quintet (flute, oboe, clarinet, horn and bassoon), UC-CCM, Wind Chamber Music
 - Lindsey Wong, Flute, Junior Performance, Woodwind
 - Emily Totedo, Soprano, Young Artist Voice
- **MTNA Fellows from Ohio:** OhioMTA has successfully named two MTNA Fellows for this year. Christine Steiner, Middle East District, and Eileen Weber, Middle West District, will be honored at the MTNA Gala in Chicago on Monday, March 24, 2014.
- **Ohio MTNA Dinner:** Harvest Restaurant at the Marriott Hotel on Sunday,

March 23 at 7:00 PM. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the registration area if you wish to add your name to reservation list. We have over 30 members already signed up for this event from across the state. Richard Van Dyke, OhioMTA President, and Andrea McAlister, OhioMTA President-Elect will be your hosts.

- **OhioMTA Presenters:**

- Rachel Kramer: *In This Moment-No Control, All the Power: Life Inside The Warren Correctional Institution*, March 22, 2014 at 2:15
- Dr. Michelle Conda: *From Blueprint To Punch List: Preparing My Adult Students For Performance*, March 25, 2014 at 11:00 AM
- Carolyn Miller: Exhibitor Showcase - Willis Music - Introduction of New Compositions:
Planets, Composer's Choice, Piano Solos in a Lyrical Style, Carefree Swing, Ballroom Dance, Strollin'

- **Wellness Events** (submitted by Gail Berensen)

- Saturday, March 22 - Pedagogy Saturday will include a full day of sessions devoted to musician wellness, one of the five strands within the daylong schedule of Pedagogy Saturday. For the first time, medical professionals and musicians will partner together throughout the day. The concluding session will consist of a very special interview between renowned pianist, Byron Janis and Chicago area hand surgeon, Dr. William Dawson, discussing his health challenges and how he persevered in building a successful career. Here is the link for the complete schedule:
<https://members.mtna.org/conference2014/PAMA.html>
- Friday, March 21 - PAMA: If you are interested in arriving early, the Performing Arts Medicine Association (PAMA) is offering a Health and Wellness half-day multidisciplinary course on Friday, March 21. The course is designed to further the knowledge and skills of clinicians and music educators working with musicians or music students. This course will take place from 1-5:30 p.m. at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile. You must register through PAMA to attend this workshop. Information and registration information are available at:
<http://www.artsmed.org/PAMAworkshopMTNA.pdf>

Additional OhioMTA News will be issued after the National Conference. If you have any news items to be shared, please contact Richard Van Dyke at dvdpiano@zoomtown.com . Send your files in .doc or .docx files.

Hope to see you in Chicago.

Richard Van Dyke
OhioMTA President