

# NOTEWORTHY NEWS



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LONG BEACH  
BRANCH

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy March! We are starting to feel that spring is coming.

Our Mason and Hamlin grand piano was finally moved to Bjerke Fellowship Hall of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 370 Junipero Avenue, Long Beach, 90814 on February 10. We look forward to seeing you at our live events there soon. Thank you, Mark Sullivan and his committee, for helping to find this location and completing the move.

In February Southern California Junior Bach Festival/Baroque Festival was held, and the winners were selected to move on to the Regional Festival. The chairs, Charis Nieto, and Susan High, along with Marc Lombardidno made this event possible. Thank you, Charis, Susan, and Marc, for your dedication to this yearly event! The Mock CM Evaluations and Branch Recital #2 were cancelled due to no/very few participants.

March will be the last month for Community Outreach/MSSL. Please read the details in this newsletter and remind your students that this is the last month of the season. We thank Mary Inui and her daughter, Thalia, for sending the DVD to Artesia Christian Home and Katella Manor, each month from October to March.

We are scheduled for a piano masterclass by Sam Grodin on Saturday, March 19 at 11 am. Please look for the announcement of location from Marc Lombardino.

The CM participating teacher must feel relieved after the submission deadline, March 1. The results publish date is March 21, and we hope the participating students receive good results. We are planning to hold the CM Branch Honors Recital, so please wait for the announcement from Sarah Sandvig/Andrea Chou-Wu.

Yukiko Nobles and Louise Earhart  
Co-Presidents, MTAC Long Beach



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 1, 2022  
Certificate of Merit Evaluations  
Deadline for Online Media Submissions

Saturday March 19, 2022  
Piano Masterclass with Sam Grodin  
Where: TBA

### MSSL RECITALS for February and March

There are only 2 more MSSL recitals left for the 2021-2022 season. The last two recitals will remain virtual so please consider submitting CM videos for the next two recitals. Students will receive a certificate of participation and hours for community service.

You may send videos to [thaliainui1@gmail.com](mailto:thaliainui1@gmail.com). The next two deadlines will be February 11 and March 11.

Mary Inui, MSSL Chair

### 2022 Bach/Baroque Festival

We enjoyed seeing those who could make it this past Saturday, virtually, as we showcased all of the wonderful student submissions for the 2022 Bach/ Baroque Festival. There was a total of 25 entries representing ten studios.

Our three adjudicators, Dr. Christopher Brennan, Dr. Stephen Pierce, and Dr. Polli Chambers- Salazar awarded three honorable mentions and selected seventeen students to advance to the regional festival on May 15th.

Congratulations to the following students and studios:

Marla Devich: Josephine Gore, Caleb Sandvig (honorable mention)  
Laura Dickey: Miranda Chen  
Louise Earhart: Nicholas Jensen, Kristin Chan (honorable mention),  
Joelle Chan (honorable mention)  
Pheaross Graham: , Caleb Bush, Ezra Bush (honorable mention)  
Susan High: Katie Chen, Rosalie Ha, Jordan Shen, Bradley Teramoto, Chiara Shen  
Jooyun Inui: Matthew Inui  
Charis Nieto: Diya Bidani, Kenji Yamashiroya  
Lilia Pershina: Nathaniel Johnson, Kaitlyn Johnson, Nicholas Lototsky  
Veronika Sapienza: Norah Vu  
Mark Sullivan: Lucas Liem

Music Teachers' Association of California- Long Beach Branch  
**Application for the Harold P. Wheeler, Jr. Memorial Music Award**

This award is offered annually to a high school senior or junior who is a student of the MTAC Long Beach Branch. The award is in the amount of \$500. The student must have used his/her musical gifts and other talents to enhance the lives of others in the school and the community. In addition to outstanding musicianship, the student must demonstrate attributes that include good scholarship and qualities of character and industry.

**Application deadline is Friday, May 20, 2022.**

Please email (preferred) or send the completed form and all supporting materials to:

**Dolly Ickler, 266 Euclid Ave., Long Beach 90803**  
**djickler@verizon.net      562-434-7647**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument #2 (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NECESSARY

- Briefly describe your musical training.
  
- List the school musical organizations in which you participate.
  
- List community or church musical involvement.
  
- List other community volunteer activities.

(Wheeler Scholarship Application continued)

Requirements

- Please write 1-2 page essay describing why you are a good candidate for this award.
- Email a quality recording of a recent performance to [djickler@verizon.net](mailto:djickler@verizon.net) . The recording should include two works of contrasting style and must correspond to the instrument studied with the submitting teacher. Single movements of longer works are acceptable.
- Include two letters of recommendation from persons other than the student's current MTAC teacher or family member.

\*Include proof of community service and other volunteer activities.

Instrument #1	Print Name of Teacher	Telephone
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Instrument #2	Print Name of Teacher	Telephone
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[www.mtacb.com](http://www.mtacb.com)  
 for past newsletters, forms, maps, calendar, and more!

## WHO CAN I CONTACT?

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

Sending Emails/Announcements to the Branch  
**Contact: Dr. Mark Sullivan: [sullivan03@sprynet.com](mailto:sullivan03@sprynet.com)**

Referral Service (If you need students or your studio is full)  
**Contact: Mary Inui: [jminui@gmail.com](mailto:jminui@gmail.com)**

Reimbursements for Branch Expenses:  
**Contact: Rebecca Mauss: [rjmauss@gmail.com](mailto:rjmauss@gmail.com)**

Program, Masterclasses  
**Contact: Marc Lombardino: [marclombardino@gmail.com](mailto:marclombardino@gmail.com)**

Membership  
**Susan High: [susanhigh@gmail.com](mailto:susanhigh@gmail.com)**

Certificate of Merit  
**Contact: Sarah Sandvig: [sarahsandvig@gmail.com](mailto:sarahsandvig@gmail.com)**  
**Andrea Chou-Wu: [jou\\_hsiang\\_en@hotmail.com](mailto:jou_hsiang_en@hotmail.com)**

Newsletter  
**Contact: Nancy Carr [carrmusicstudio@gmail.com](mailto:carrmusicstudio@gmail.com)**

Additional Questions/Concerns  
**Contact: Yukiko Nobles [yukikonobles@gmail.com](mailto:yukikonobles@gmail.com)**  
**Dr. Louise Earhart [louise.earhart@charter.net](mailto:louise.earhart@charter.net)**

### 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.