



LONG BEACH  
BRANCH

# Noteworthy News



September 2015

## President's Notes

### Upcoming Events:

9/9- Board Meeting

9/20-Mandatory CM informational meeting/  
potluck

10/4-General Meeting

10/7-Deadline Branch  
Recital #1 Registration

10/17-Branch Recital #1

10/21-Board Meeting

10/28-Deadline Theme  
Festival Registration

*For more details, please  
go online to our website:*

[Mtaclb.com](http://Mtaclb.com)

Hi MTACLB members!

I hope you had a wonderful summer! I am absolutely thrilled to serve as your President again this year. As we all begin our Fall teaching and performing schedules, I wanted to take a moment to share some of the exciting events we have coming up this year in our Branch.

Our welcome back potluck and CM meeting will be on Sunday, September 20th, at Tasha Locke's home. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet our new members and catch up with our current members.

We have several Master Classes & Symposiums scheduled this year, with the first scheduled for Sunday, October 4th with Master Teacher Susan Bruckner, who will be speaking on group lessons. Our general meetings will also include working with experts on injury-preventative techniques, interactive presentations for string teachers/players and music and technology in the studio.

In addition to our fabulous Theme Festival, Sonata/Sonatina Festival, and Styles Festival, we once again have our "Play-a-thon" and a "Certificate of Merit Mock Evaluation" events. I would also like to encourage you to introduce our MSSL (Music Students Service League) to your students, headed by Jennifer Watts and Andrea Chou-Wu. It's a wonderful opportunity for our young musicians to experience community service out-reach, and touch the lives of many people who aren't able to get out into the community on their own.

As always, you can view our calendar of events, register for competitions/ festivals, and view newsletters on our website: [www.mtaclb.com](http://www.mtaclb.com).

And thanks to Mary Inui for the beautiful newsletter and directory. Thank you as well to the Board for your support and fantastic ideas this summer.

I look forward to seeing you all in a few weeks at our Potluck! Have a wonderful September,

Sarah Sandvig

MTACLB-President



President: Sarah Sandvig

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Below you will find our branch calendar for the year. You can always find our calendar on our website: [www.mtacbl.com](http://www.mtacbl.com) and also in the upcoming directory.

Date	Day	Event	Time	Location
9/9/2015	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
9/20/2015	Sunday	Mandatory Branch CM Information Meeting	5:00pm	Tasha Locke's Home
10/4/2015	Sunday	General Meeting: Susan Bruckner-Group lessons	3:30pm	Tasha Locke's Home
10/7/2015	Wednesday	Deadline Branch Recital No.1		Online: MTACLB.com
10/17/2015	Saturday	Branch Recital #1	10:00-2:00pm	SBCSL
10/21/2015	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
10/28/2015	Wednesday	Deadline Theme Festival Registration		Online: MTACLB.com
11/1/2015	Sunday	General Meeting: Studio Policies/Panel Discussion	3:30pm	Sarah Sandvig's home
11/7/2015	Saturday	Theme Festival	9am-2pm	SBCSL
11/18/2015	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
12/6/2015	Sunday	Deadline Ensemble Festival Registration		Online: MTACLB.com
12/12/2015	Saturday	Ensemble Festival	9am-2pm	SBCSL
12/12/2015	Saturday	Harold Wheeler Memorial Concert	5pm	SBCSL
1/10/2016	Sunday	General Meeting: Collaborative Master Class-Orpheus Duo	3:30pm	CSULB
1/13/2016	Wednesday	Deadline Styles Festival Registration		Online: MTACLB.com
1/15/2016	Monday	Composers Today Deadline		Online: mtac.org
1/20/2016	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
1/23/2016	Saturday	Styles Festival	9:00-2pm	SBCSL
1/27/2016	Sunday	Deadline Bach Festival & Baroque Festival Registration		Online: MTACLB.com
1/30/2016	Saturday	General Meeting: String Master Class	3:30pm	TBA
2/6/2016	Saturday	Bach Festival	9:00-3:00pm	SBCSL
2/6/2016	Saturday	Baroque Festival for strings, winds, voice	3:00-5:00pm	SBCSL
2/13/2016	Saturday	VOCE Regionals	All day	Saddleback College
2/14/2016	Sunday	CM Deadline to enter Repertoire online	12:00am	Online: MTAC.org
2/17/2016	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
2/17/2016	Sunday	Deadline to register for Branch Recital #2	12:00am	Online: MTACLB.com
2/27/2016	Saturday	Branch Recital No.2	10:00-2:00pm	SBCSL
3/5/2016	Saturday	Bach Festival Winners Recital	3:30-5:30pm	Bay Shore Church
3/7/2016	Monday	GM: Nina Scolnik- injury-preventative / healthy technique	9:30am	TBA
3/10/2016	Thursday	Deadline to Register for CM Mock Evaluations	12:00am	Online: MTACLB.com
3/12/2016	Sunday	YAG Concert	3pm	SBCSL
3/16/2016	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
3/19/2016	Saturday	CM Mock Evaluations	10:00-2:00pm	SBCSL
4/2/2016	Saturday	CM	All Day	CSULB
4/3/2016	Sunday	CM	All Day	CSULB
4/6/2016	Wednesday	GM: Tasha Locke & Sarah Sandvig- Technology/Apps for Studio	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
4/13/2016	Saturday	Deadline CM Honors Recital Registration (NO FEE)		Online: MTACLB.com
4/15/2016	Friday	Deadline to Register & Pay for Students to perform	12:00am	Online: MTAC.ORG
		at Convention		
4/20/2016	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
4/23/2016	Saturday	CM Honors Recital	9:00-2:00pm	SBCSL

**NEW!!** Payments for branch events including recitals, festivals & competitions will be made online on our website. All information will be sent soon on how this all works.

TBA	TBA	SCJBF String All-Branch Regional		El Camino College
4/30/2016	Saturday	Deadline to register for Play-a-thon		Online: MTACLB.com
5/4/2016	Wednesday	Annual Business Meeting	9:30am	TBA
5/4/2016	Saturday	Deadline Sonata/Sonatina Competition Registration		Online: MTACLB.com
5/7/2016	Saturday	Play-a-thon	All Day	SBCSL
5/14/2016	Saturday	Sonata/Sonatina Competition	9:00-5:00pm	SBCSL
5/18/2016	Wednesday	Board Meeting	9:30am	Sarah Sandvig's home
5/29/2016	Sunday	Installation & Potluck	5:00pm	TBA

## Meet our new board members

**President:** Sarah Sandvig

**2nd Vice President:** Tasha Locke

**Corresponding Secretary:** Christine Ho

**Membership Secretary:** Susan High

**Newsletter Editor:** Mary Inui

**Parliamentarian:** Jelena Radovic

**Honorary Advisor:** Shirley Lee

**1st Vice President:** Laura Dickey

**Recording Secretary:** Adriana Manfredi

**Treasurer:** Beejell Soco

**Certificate of Merit:** Ellen Noble

**Branch Recital Director:** Lilia Pershina

**Honorary Advisor:** Marla Devich

## News to Tell:

Please submit all Noteworthy News to Mary Inui at [jminui@gmail.com](mailto:jminui@gmail.com) by the end of the month to be published for the following month's newsletter. Submissions must be in Word Format. PDF files will not work.

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything."  
—Plato



## CERTIFICATE OF MERIT, Ellen Noble, Branch Chair

It's time to begin preparing for next year's CM season. Remember that it is your responsibility to keep yourself informed!! The following is required reading for a successful CM, for you and your students: *2015-16 Policies and Procedures* (online at [mtac.org](http://mtac.org)), the current CM Syllabus for your instrument, Branch and State newsletters, all communication from the CM Council, and any emails from me regarding CM. Please don't hesitate to contact me at [ellen.m.noble@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.m.noble@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our potluck/CM meeting.

**Mandatory CM Information Meeting:** I will email every member of MTACLB the 2015-16 CM Questionnaire early in September in preparation for our information meeting. Complete the questionnaire and bring it with you to the meeting or mail it to me by Sept. 28. You will not be allowed to enroll students in CM if I have not received your questionnaire by this date.

### New this year:

The branch fee per student is increased to \$12.00. The reason for this increase is to cover branch CM expenses because the State will no longer be sharing the CM registration fee with the branches.  
Teachers with more than 3 students will not be allowed to request the same day for their entire studio.

**A short list of important CM dates.** (A complete calendar can be found in the Branch Directory.)

### 2015-16 CM Dates

**Sept. 20** Mandatory CM Information Meeting and Potluck Dinner

**Oct. 1-31** Database open for online CM Registration

**Nov. 1** Submission of Registration Materials (4 items) to Branch Chair: CM fees (one check), Student List, Student Fees List, signed Teacher Work Agreement, (non-work fee if applicable)

**Jan. 2-Feb. 14** Database open for entering student evaluation information and repertoire

**Apr. 2/3 Long Beach Branch CM Evaluations** Please note that our CM Weekend immediately follows Easter weekend and may be a time of vacation and travel for some of our students.

**July 1-5** MTAC Convention, Hilton Los Angeles Airport

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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.

*Don't forget to check out our  
website for past newsletters,  
forms, maps, calendar, and  
more!*

[www.mtacb.com](http://www.mtacb.com)

Please submit all Noteworthy News by the 15th for publication in the following month. Please have photos as jpeg files and provide all heading/captions/story in WORD format.

Email all submissions to Mary Inui at [jminui@gmail.com](mailto:jminui@gmail.com).

THANK YOU!