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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy October!

But where did September go? I don't know about the rest of you, but it just seemed to fly right by. We had our Welcome Luncheon on September 23rd, which was a great opportunity to catch up with other teachers.

We will be hosting two events in the near future. The first is a concert by YAG member Victor Shlyakhtenko at the home of Dr. Mark Sullivan! Victor has been a YAG member for a number of years--we had initially booked him for a concert in 2020, but unfortunately had to cancel that event due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In that time, Victor has excelled in his studies at Oberlin in both piano and orchestral conducting. You are welcome to invite guests to this event. The concert will be presented free of charge. Donations will be accepted. For more information about Victor and his career, check out his website: https://victor-pianist.com/

On November 9, from 10am-12pm, we will have our annual theme festival. You can find more information about this event later in this newsletter.

Please enjoy our newsletter, and look forward to more information about our events coming soon!

Marc Lombardino, MTAC Long Beach

Please Note:

the new start time for the YAG Concert: Saturday October 26 7:30 pm-9:00 pm at the home of Mark Sullivan

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Bjerke Fellowship Hall (OSLC-BFH) 370 Junipero Ave, Long Beach, CA 90814

Sunday, October 20, 2024 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MSSL Recital @ Westmont of Cypress

Saturday, October 26, 2024 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm (Please note time change)

General Meeting: Program - Performance by Victor Schlyakhtenko, YAG

Where: Home of Mark Sullivan (Guests are welcome to attend! Donations will be accepted)

Saturday, November 2, 2024 Time 2pm-3:30pm

General Meeting: Program - Jeffrey Lavener

Where: Home of Yukiko Nobles

Saturday, November 9, 2024 10:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Theme Festival: The Long Nineteenth Century (music composed between 1789-1913)

Where: OSLC-Sanctuary

Sunday, November 17, 2024 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MSSL Recital @ Westmont of Cypress

Saturday, December 7, 2024 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Ensemble Festival: Lynne Graham, Marla Devich, chairs

Where: OSLC-BFH

Sunday, December 15, 2024 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MSSL Recital @ Westmont of Cypress

CM DEADLINE: DEC 15, 2024 - LAST DAY TO EDIT CM APPLICATIONS

2024-2025 Branch Directories

The hard copy of the 2024-2025 branch directory is available now. You may pick it up from Marc Lombardino, 1141 E Marcellus St., Long Beach, 90807. Please email him at marclombardino@gmail.com in advance of picking up a directory. You can also send a self-stamped, self-addressed envelope (no smaller than 6' x 9') to Marc on the above address if you would like him to mail it to you. The directory is also available on our website in the member section. It is password protected—please email Marc to request the password.

Theme Festival - "Music of the Long Nineteenth Century"

November 9, 2024 10 am to 12 pm Location: OSLC - Sanctuary

Entry Deadline: October 31, 2024 Entry Fee: \$35

Please register online. Registrations will open October 7, 2024. Students may perform up to two works, so long as the total time of their performance does not exceed 7-8 minutes.

The "Long Nineteenth Century" refers to a period of 1789-1913. It is the whole the 1800s plus slightly more than a decade on either side, or more specifically, the period of time from the French Revolution to the beginning of World War I. Both of these events mark significant changes in cultural and artistic attitudes in Europe. Music from this period ranges from the Sonatas of Beethoven to the Romantic works of Chopin and Liszt, to the Impressionistic works of Debussy. In other words, this theme is primarily music of the Romantic Era, but allows for some pieces written before and after the "official" Romantic era dates of 1820-1900.

Students will receive written comments from Craig Richey, professor of piano at CSULB and one of our esteemed members! All participants will also receive certificates of participation.

2024-2025 Music Students' Service League (MSSL)

The MSSL 2024 – 2025 recitals will be held at Westmont of Cypress to serve our local senior community. It will take place every third Sunday of the month at 3:00 PM.

Location: Westmont of Cypress (Senior Living)

4889 Katella Ave.

Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Dates: October 20 November 17 December 15

January 19 February 16 March 16

All pieces must be performance ready. All ages are welcome, and performers are not limited to CM students. Please dress appropriately (no casual attire). The submission deadline will be the 10th of each month. Those who would like to participate please register at:

https://forms.gle/9EZ58H7cEL5Usvof7

All performers will receive a community service hours certificate.

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

Referral Service (If you need students or your studio is full)

Contact: Lilia Pershina, lilia.pershina@gmail.com

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- 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.