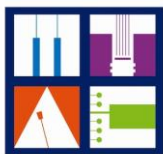


NOTEWORTHY NEWS



www.mtacb.com | www.facebook.com/mtacb | new.mtac.org

Find Noteworthy News on our Branch Website at www.mtacb.com



LONG BEACH
BRANCH

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Teachers!

It's February, and we've got a lot going on this month! This month we have our second Branch Recital on Feb 4, our Bach/Baroque Festival on February 19, and a Voice Masterclass at our General Meeting on February 26. I'm going to attempt at the first two of these events to both record and livestream the recitals over zoom at the following link:

<https://csulb.zoom.us/j/83348175027>

The Certificate of Merit deadline is fast approaching! February 21st is the last day to submit CM Materials on the online portal.

With all these things happening in quick succession, and with our students moving into one of the busiest times of the school year, it can start to feel a bit overwhelming (I speak for myself, and a few of my students). I'm reminded often that it's important to take a step back and look at the bigger picture; remembering that as many little things come up for us and our students, our goal is to instill our students with long-term musical values.

Also, thinking long term, seeing how quickly things approach in February is letting me plan for February of next year, 2024, when our CM deadline will move even earlier. If you've been wondering why CM has been moving earlier each of the past years, there is indeed an explanation. There are 6 regions, and each region is assigned a week for their CM deadline. These weeks are 6 weeks from February to mid-March. February 21 is the "week 3" deadline. Next year, our region will be in week 2 (February 14/15), the following year, 2025, we will be week 1 (February 7/8!). Then, in 2026, our deadline will move back to week 6 (March 14/15). This is how the system works currently, but it is possible changes will be made.

—Marc Lombardino

Inside This Issue

Presidents Message

Upcoming Events

February General
Meeting

ASCAP Information

MSSL 2022-23

Wheeler Memorial
Concert

Who to call for
Information?

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Saturday, February 4, 2023 12:00 pm
Branch Recital #2 (Andrea Chou-Wu, Marc Lombardino: Chairs)
Where: OSLC-BFH

Saturday, February 18, 2023 12:00 pm
SCJBF & Baroque Festival (Sharon Collins: Chair)
Where: OSLC-BFH

CM DEADLINE: FEB 21, 2023 - LAST DAY TO SUBMIT MEDIA

Sunday, February 26, 2023 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
General Meeting: Voice Masterclass with Shannon Kauble
Location: Home of Sarah Sandvig, 2971 Shakespeare Drive, Rossmoor, CA 90720

February General Meeting

We had a wonderful piano masterclass by our member, Dr. Mark Sullivan at his home studio. We had a nice turn-out with 4 students participating from the studio of Mary Inui, Dr. Louise Earhart, and Marla Devich, with an audience of about 16. It was held on January 22 and lasted a little over 2 hours.

On Sunday, February 26, at 3 pm, we will present a vocal masterclass with Shannon Kaube at the home of Sarah Sandvig, 2971 Shakespeare Drive, Rossmoor, 90270. Please email to me and Sarah at sarahsandvig@gmail.com if your student would like to participate and/or you would like to attend the masterclass.

Yukiko Nobles, yukikonobles@gmail.com
VP - Program

Submit Your Programs for ASCAP

Hello MTAC Long Beach Colleagues, I have created a short Google form to streamline submitting branch and studio recital programs: <https://forms.gle/tWVe6UGgTnmbqr3S9> I will pass the programs along to the MTAC State Office for ASCAP royalty payments. Don't hesitate to reach out via email if you need any assistance. SamaraMusicLessons@gmail.com.

Thank you!
Samara Rice (ASCAP Chair)



Music Students' Service League (MSSL) 2022-2023

This year we will have 2 ways students can serve our local senior community. We will have in-person recitals at Westmont of Cypress as well as virtual recitals to be sent to Artesia Christian Home.

IN-PERSON RECITAL:

Location: Westmont of Cypress (Senior Living)
4889 Katella Ave.
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Dates:	October 16	November 13	December 11
	January 8	February 12	March 12

Submit name(s) and piece(s) to matthewinui1@gmail.com. All pieces must be performance ready. All recitals will begin at 3:00 pm and please dress appropriately (no casual attire). The deadline to submit names for participation will be 5 days before the recital dates.

proof of 2 Covid shots or negative PCR/rapid test + masks required

VIRTUAL RECITAL: Submit videos to matthewinui1@gmail.com
by the 10th of each month.

All performers will receive community service hours and a certificate.

Wheeler Memorial Concert



Last Sunday, January 29, we hosted our Wheeler Concert to raise funds for the Wheeler Memorial Scholarship. This recital was a success—we raised over \$700! I was told by several attendees that they really enjoyed the music. For several attendees, I believe this was their first concert of this sort that they had attended since 2020—this was also our first live Wheeler Concert since that year. Many thanks to Jeremie Favreau for organizing the concert, and to all who volunteered to perform.

Long Beach Branch Newsletter “Noteworthy News”

Editor: Nancy Carr

carrmusicstudio@gmail.com

Please have photos as jpeg files and provide all heading/captions/story in MS WORD format, not PDF files.

Don't forget to check out our website:

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

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

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

Reimbursements for Branch Expenses:

Contact: Rebecca Mauss: rjmauss@gmail.com

Program, Masterclasses

Contact: Yukiko Nobles: yukikonobles@gmail.com

Membership

Susan High: susanhigh@gmail.com

Certificate of Merit

Contact: Sarah Sandvig: sarahsandvig@gmail.com

Andrea Chou-Wu: jou_hsiang_en@hotmail.com

Newsletter

Contact: Nancy Carr carrmusicstudio@gmail.com

Additional Questions/Concerns

Contact: marclombardino@gmail.com

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.