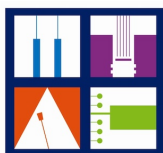


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Upcoming Events:

- ♦ Sun. 4/22 Gen. Meeting & Program Dr. Rundus
- ♦ Sat. 5/5 Branch Recital #3
- ♦ Wed. 5/9 Annual Business Meeting, vote on Board
- ♦ Fri. 5/18 Special Needs Program
- ♦ Sat. 5/19 Sonata/Sonatina Festival
- ♦ Sun. 6/10 Potluck/Installation/Sonata Winners perform

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President's Message

Happy Tax Day!

I hope you are all much less stressed than I am about taxes! Every year I plan to get them done early, and every year I end up sending an extension form at the last minute!

But on to more appealing musical subjects! Certificate of Merit weekend was a great success last month. I hope all the CM teachers have had a chance to take a bit of a break to recover and start planning for next year. A few people have not yet picked up their students; results; they are still sitting on my front porch for easy access at any time. Stop by 3476 Fanwood Ave, Long Beach 90808.

Our **Branch Honors Recital** last Saturday featured students who excelled at CM, earning Good or Excellent ratings on all sections of the evaluation and 80% or greater on the theory test. We had a full day with four recitals. The presentation of **Senior Medallions** to seniors who have passed CM in at least three of their high school years (including the senior year) and who have reached at least Level 7 in CM was a highlight of the day. Congratulations to those seniors and their teachers!

I hope to see many of you at our **meeting this Sunday** with a presentation on vocal pedagogy. Even if you don't teach voice, you will benefit from the discussion. Be sure to send in any questions you'd like to have answered by the presenter to VP Marc Lombardino before the program.

The third Branch Recital is coming up on May 5! Do enter some of your students (and even yourself!) to perform at Newcomb Academy. Remind your students that the more they play in front of others, the more comfortable it becomes. The registration form is now available at www.mtacb.com.

We are coming to the end of this school year, and our Nominating Committee has been hard at work compiling a **slate of prospective officers** for next year. You can see that list in this newsletter; voting will take place at the **annual business meeting on May 9** at the home of Sarah Sandvig. Hope to see you all there!

Since many of you will be having spring recitals, let me remind you to send copies of your programs to our **ASCAP chair Jennifer Watts**. She collects programs throughout the year and sends them to State Headquarters, so that composers can be compensated for performances of their works. I'm sure you all would like to support our composers, so do make the effort to send those programs in!

Our Branch offers many opportunities for student performance and for teacher enrichment. The more you participate the more value you receive from your membership. I encourage you to attend the meetings yourself and to encourage your students to participate in our recitals, festivals, and contests.

Musically Yours,

Laura Dickey, President



This award is offered annually to a graduating high school senior who is a student of a member 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 ~~Saturday, April 14, 2018.~~ Deadline extended to May 5th!!**
- Please send the completed form and all supporting materials to:
Dolly Ickler, 266 Euclid Ave. Long Beach, CA 90803.
- The award recipient will be honored at the June meeting of the MTAC Long Beach Branch.

Instrument _____ Instrument #2 (if applicable) _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NECESSARY.

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

REQUIREMENTS

- Please write a 1-2 page essay describing why you are a good candidate for this award.
- Include a quality recording on CD or DVD of a recent performance. The recording should include two works of contrasting style and must correspond with the instrument studied with the submitting teacher. Single movements 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.**

Telephone

We are pleased to announce the 2018-2019
Slate of Officers:

President : Marla Devich and Sarah Sandvig

1st VP (Communications) : Yukiko Nobles

2nd VP (Programs) : Marc Lombardino

Treasurer : Ellen Noble

Recording Secretary : Maureen Lombardino

Membership Secretary : Susan High

**Honorary Advisor/Corresponding Secretary :
Laura Dickey**

Parliamentarian : Louise Earhart

**Certificate of Merit : Andrea Chou-Wu and
Jennifer Watts**

Voting will take place at the Annual Branch
Business Meeting on Wednesday, May 9 at 9:30
AM in the home of Sarah Sandvig.

Thank you to the members of the Nominating Committee
(Dolly Ickler, Beejell Soco and Jennifer Watts) for their
tireless efforts to create an awesome Slate.

Strategies for Teaching Students **with Special Needs:**

Presented by Sarah Sandvig & Adriana Manfredi

Friday, May 18th 10:00am

Home of Sarah Sandvig

Learn strategies for students with:

Autism

Visual/Aural Impairments

Behavior Problems

Physical Disabilities

Higher Learning Potential

Pre-presentation activity: Click on the link below and ask yourself this question: Does this child appear to have a disability?

Discussion: Visible vs Invisible disabilities - that is where we see the challenges as a teacher and/or parent as a teacher we may not get the full scoop from the family - though we can create the space for them to let us know about their child and discuss strategies in studio to allow for that.

<https://youtu.be/jMrB-ARYkzw>

CALLING ALL PIANO STUDENTS

The Branch Sonata/Sonatina Competition is coming soon!

- **When:** Saturday, May 19
- **Where:** Newcomb Academy
- **Musical Requirements:** Two selections played from memory -
 - 1) The first or last movement of a sonata or sonatina
 - 2) A selection from another historical period
- **Application Fee:** \$30 per student
- **Application Deadline:** Saturday, April 28
- To register, use the Google Form below or go to our website.
- Be sure to visit our Branch website at mtaclb.com for complete information.
- Contact Marla Devich at mjdevich@gmail.com should you have any questions.

Link to register: [Sonata/Sonatina Registration](#)

Congratulations to the following students (and their teachers)
who received 100% on their CM Theory Exams!!

Claire Godinez, Piano Level 2 (teacher: Kazuko Yasukawa)
Adam Haq, Piano Prep Level (teacher: Ellen Noble)
Norah Vu, Piano Level 2 (teacher: Veronika Sapienza)
Faith Timney, Voice Level 3 (teacher: Sarah Sandvig)
Zoë Hedgpeth, Voice Level 3 (teacher: Sarah Sandvig)

Branch Honors Recital, Sat. 4/14/18



9:00am Recital



10:15am Recital



Senior Medallion Recipients



11:30am Recital



1:15pm Recital

Harold Wheeler Concert, Jan. 2018 (Teachers)





Please submit all Noteworthy News by the 25th for publication in the following month.

Please have photos as jpeg files and provide all heading/captions/story in MS WORD format. No PDF's please.

Email all submissions to Sarah Sandvig at:
sarahsandvig@gmail.com

**Don't forget to check
out our website:**

www.mtacb.com

**for past newsletters,
forms, maps,
calendar, and more!**



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.

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