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# President's Message

Welcome back to an exciting year with the MTAC-Long Beach Branch!! It is an exciting time but quite challenging because most of us had to change the way we teach our students. Our branch does not know when we can start having our events at Newcomb Academy where our branch piano is located. Until we can resume our face to face recitals, concerts, festivals, and competitions, our events will be virtual. We are thankful that we have a few board members who have these technological skills. If you are a tech-savvy member, please contact any board member at "Who Can I Contact?" in this newsletter. We need your help!

CM information meeting is usually held in September, but we are still waiting for the information from MTAC State Chair. Some important announcements will come from the CM Directors, mtaclongbeach@gmail.com, or us. Please check your email daily or as often as you can.

On **October 2** our general meeting will be a zoom meeting starting at 10:30 am and more information will be emailed to you. Our Branch Recital #1 is scheduled on **October 17** chaired by Jessica Baptist, Lindsey Hundley, and Marc Lombardino. We are planning to make this recital a live/pre-recorded hybrid performance. Please work with your students either to prepare a video or to perform live on that day. The registration deadline will be **October 3**. You will see the registration on our website, <a href="https://www.mtaclb.com">www.mtaclb.com</a> after September 22. Our October General Meeting information will be emailed to you sometime in September.

On **November 1** we are scheduling the Harold Wheeler Memorial Concert chaired by Pavel Petrov with pre-recorded performances of MTAC Long Beach members and their friends. The deadline to submit the video will be **October 18**, so please start to get your repertoire ready.

The Theme Festival article is included in this newsletter.

We are trying to complete our directory some in September which will be posted on our website and make hard copies available to you.

Until we can meet face to face, we hope to see you at a zoom meeting.

Louise Earhart and Yukiko Nobles Co-Presidents; Louise Earhart and Yukiko Nobles MTACLB Branch







## Bach – So. Calif. Jr. Bach Festival (SCJBF) Long Beach Branch Baroque Festival

Charis Nieto, Chair Dr. Mark Sullivan, Chair

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2021 Branch Bach/Baroque Festival will be conducted by video audition.

Application Deadline: Saturday, February 6, 2021 through SCJBF.org website\* Video Submission Deadline: Saturday, February 13, 2021. Instructions will be distributed in December.

Entry Fee (per student): \$30

\*Teachers who paid the SCJBF Website Usage Fee to register students in the 2020 festivals are not required to pay this fee in 2021.

This year the Long Beach Branch will again combine the Baroque and Bach Festivals into a single event. **Participating teachers must enter students for the Bach and Baroque festival by using the registration system at scjbf.org.** Please contact Mark Sullivan ahead of the February 6, 2021 application deadline if you need assistance.

All participating students will be evaluated and receive written comments by the three judges.

Piano students who participate in the Festival with original keyboard works composed by J.S. Bach will be eligible for selection to compete at the SCJBF Region III keyboard festival in May 2021 – Dates and Regional Festival format TBA. At least 50% of eligible pianists will be selected for Regional.

Singers, strings and winds players, together with pianists performing Baroque repertoire that is not eligible for the Keyboard Regional Festival will be considered for Honorable Mention. Due to current social distancing restrictions, accompaniment is optional for singers, strings and winds players.

Age eligibility for SCJBF Festivals (not applicable to Baroque Festival): Pianists and instrumentalists are eligible through age 18. Singers are eligible through age 25.

Please note: **SCJBF organizes All-Branch Regional Festivals for Strings and Winds/Voice** categories. These events combine both Branch and Regional levels and usually take place in April and May. There is no prerequisite to enroll.

Bach Complete Works Audition (SCJBF) – All Instruments and Voice Date and Format to be announced.

# **Theme Festival**

Make plans to join us virtually on November 14<sup>th</sup> for our annual Theme Festival. This year's theme is Music of Dance. Whether you and your students are playing Chopin Waltzes, Bach Courantes, or Gillock's Let's Waltz, you are encouraged to participate! All instruments and voice are welcome, and solos and ensembles are both welcome.

Teachers are encouraged to perform either solo or in ensemble with students or other teachers. Family members and friends can join students in ensembles to add to the fun! Help make this a truly festive festival! Consider this your Invitation to the Dance!

Musically Yours, Laura Dickey- Festival Chair





Practice tip: Slow and Steady wins the Race

#### 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: <u>sullivan03@sprynet.com</u>

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

Contact: Mary Inui: jminui@gmail.com

Reimbursements for Branch Expenses

Contact: Rebecca Mauss: rjmauss@gmail.com

Program, Masterclasses

Contact: Marc Lombardino: marclombardino@gmail.com

Membership

Susan High: susanhigh@gmail.com

Certificate of Merit

Contact: Sarah Sandvig: sarahsandvig@gmail.com

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Newsletter

Contact: Linda Pryor: pryornotes@hotmail.com

Additional Questions/Concerns

Contact: Yukiko Nobles yukikonobles@gmail.com

Dr. Louise Earhart louise.earhart@charter.net



# Calendar of Events 2020-2021

CM Info Meeting TBA Where: Zoom Meeting

Friday, October 2, 2020 10:00 am General Meeting/Program TBD Where: Zoom Meeting

Saturday, October 17, 2020 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Branch Recital #1 (Jessica Baptist, Lindsey Hundley, & Marc Lombardino: Chairs)

Where: Zoom Recital with a live/pre-recorded performance

Sunday, November 1, 2020 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm or TBA Harold Wheeler Memorial Concert (Pavel Petrov: Chair)

Where: More likely Zoom Recital

Sunday, November 8, 2020 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

General Meeting/Program TBA

Where: TBA

Saturday, November 14, 2020 10:00 am - 2:00 pm or TBA Theme Festival (Theme is "Dance Music") (Laura Dickey: Chair)

Where: TBA

Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:00 am - 2:00 pm or TBA Ensemble Festival (Ellen Noble & Marla Devich: Chairs)

Where: TBA

Sunday, Date TBD (January), 2021

General Meeting/Program: Masterclass TBD

Where: TBA

Saturday, February 6, 2021 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Branch Recital #2 (Jessica Baptist, Lindsey Hundley, Marc Lombardino: Chairs)

Where: TBA

Sunday, February TBD, 2021 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

General Meeting/Program: Piano Masterclass with TBD

Where: Daniel Recital Hall-CSULB

Saturday, February 13, 2021 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

SCJBF & Baroque Festival (Mark Sullivan & Charis Nieto)

Where: TBA

Friday, March TBA, 2021 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

General Meeting/Program:

Where: TBA

Sunday, March 8, 2021 12:30pm - 6:00pm Mock CM Evaluations (Sarah Sandvig: Chair)

Where: TBA

Certificate of Merit Evaluations TBA

Friday, April TBA, 2021 10:00 am - 11:30 am

General Meeting/Program:

Where: TBA

Branch CM Honors Recital

Where: TBA

Saturday, April 24, 2021 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Branch Recital #3 (Jessica Baptist, Lindsey Hundley, & Marc Lombardino: Chairs)

Where: TBA

Friday, May 7, 2021 9:30 am - 11:30 am

**Annual Business Meeting** 

Where: TBA

Saturday, May 15, 2021 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sonata/Sonatina Festival (Laura Dickey & Hannah Yi: Chairs)

Where: TBA

Sunday, June 6, 2021 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Branch Potluck/Installation/Performances by Sonata/Sonatina competitions and

Wheeler Scholarship winners

Where: TBA

\*\*3rd Monday of each month - 11 am - 12 pm

**Board Meetings** 

Where: Zoom Meeting until further notice

\*\*\*This Calendar is subject to change. Check our website periodically for the most updated version.



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 Linda Pryor at: pryornotes@hotmail.com

Don't forget to check out our website:

www.mtaclb.com

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





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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.