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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 October. On the 15th from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm, we will have a roundtable discussion on Pedagogy. Our Second Vice-President Hannah Yi will send information on this meeting. We will have the first of three yearly branch recitals on October 21st, hosted by Andrea Chou-Wu and myself. The deadline to apply for this recital is October 11, so please apply for this as soon as you are able!

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

Marc Lombardino, MTAC Long Beach

2023-2024 Branch Directories

The hard copy of the 2023-2024 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.

Certificate of Merit

The Certificate of Merit Deadline is coming up! 10/5 is the final day for parents to pay the registration fee for CM. No late payments will be accepted. Please login to your portal to check on your students and send them reminders if they haven't yet paid.

Thank you!
Sarah Sandvig, CM Director

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

CM DEADLINE: OCT 5, 2023 - LAST DAY FOR PARENTS TO PAY FEES

Sunday, October 15, 2023 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

General Meeting: Piano Pedagogy Roundtable

Where: Zoom Meeting

Saturday, October 21, 2023 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Branch Recital #1 (Andrea Chou-Wu & Marc Lombardino: Chairs)

Where: OSLC-BFH

Saturday, November 18, 2023 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

General Meeting: Collaborative Masterclass with Dr. Louise Thomas

Where: Home of Hannah Yi

Sunday, November 19, 2023 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Theme Festival: Music of the Past 150 Years (Marc Lombardino: Chair)

Where: OSLC-BFH

Saturday, December 9, 2023 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Ensemble Festival (Marla Devich & Lynne Graham: Chairs)

Where: OSLC-BFH

CM DEADLINE: DEC 15, 2023 - LAST DAY TO EDIT CM APPLICATIONS

Saturday, January 20, 2024 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

General Meeting: Engaging Students with Music Education Methods, Presenter: Tammy Yi

Where: Home of Hannah Yi

Sunday, January 28, 2024 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Harold Wheeler Memorial Concert (Yukiko Nobles: Chair)

Where: OSLC-BFH

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“Noteworthy News”

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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.mtaclb.com

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

Southern California Junior Bach Festival Piano, Cello, Violin Masterclass

Teachers! The Annual Southern California Junior Bach Festival Masterclasses will take place on Sunday January 21 at Loyola Marymount University, Murphy Recital Hall. Please visit our website scjbf.org for the bios of our renowned master teachers! We are honored to have **Fabio Bidini** for piano and **Moni Simeonov** for violin.

Participant application information:

Piano participants email to Dr Janet Favreau favreaujanet@gmail.com

Strings participants email to Dr Cheryl Scheidemantle cscheidemantle@polytechnic.org

Please include the following information:

Name of student

Age of student

Email address of student and/or parent if under 18

Name of teacher

Teacher's email address

Full title and movement of piece to be performed

Exact timing of piece to be performed

The deadline to apply to perform is **Dec 1, 2023**. After the Dec 1 deadline, we will respond to you whether you have been selected to perform or not. If you have been selected, you will receive a link to pay the \$50 participant fee.

We invite you to attend the Masterclasses as an auditor. Costs for pre-registration are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students (with student I.D.) and includes admission to all masterclasses. Faculty, staff and students of LMU may attend free and do not need to pre-register. Adults paying at the door will be charged \$30.

Harold Wheeler Memorial Benefit Concert

Our annual Wheeler Memorial Concert will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 3 pm at OSLC-BFH. All our members and the friends are welcome to participate. It is the great chance to let our students know that we, teachers, are also performers. Even though it is about 4 months away, now is the good time to think the repertoire for the concert. All proceeds will go into the Wheeler Memorial Fund for the scholarship award. Please contact me if you have any questions or if you plan to perform at the concert: yukikonobles@gmail.com.

Wheeler Memorial Concert chair, Yukiko Nobles

BRANCH RECITAL #1 (October 21, 2023)

It's time to enroll your students for the first branch recital (open to all students and teachers of MTACLB) of the year on October 21, 2023. The recital will take place in person at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. This is a good chance to give students who will participate in CM an opportunity to get one or two of their pieces learned and recorded well ahead of time.

Deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 11:59 P.M. To register your students, please visit www.mtaclb.com, select the tab "recital registration," then select the "branch registration" button to complete the online registration form. The registration fee is \$12 per student.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the event chairs, Marc Lombardino - marclombardino@gmail.com OR Andrea Wu - jou_hsiang_en@hotmail.com

Branch Recital co-chairs: Marc Lombardino and Andrea Wu



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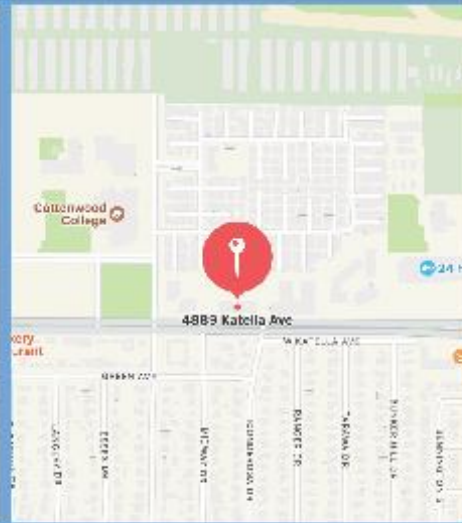

3:00PM
Sunday, October 1
Grace First Presbyterian Church
Saul Ministry Center
3955 N. Studebaker Rd.
Long Beach

Exquisite poems set to beautiful haunting melodies that describe what life was like for the composers, writers and performers who lived in the Jewish ghettos. Most of the people behind the music perished, but their music speaks for them.



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Music Students' Service League (MSSL) 2023-2024



This year is our first year since the pandemic that we fully transition back to In-person recitals. From October 2023 to May 2024 we will have one recital on the third Sunday of each month. The recital will be hosted at Westmont of Cypress 4889 Katella Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 90720.

The recital will start at 3:00 PM and end around 4:00 PM depending on the length and amount of performances. Performers should dress in appropriate

clothing. Forms must be submitted at least 3 days before the performance.

Submit the form to <https://forms.gle/91yng1EKBruVsno59>

For any questions email:

musicstudentserviceleague@gmail.com

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: Hannah Yi: hannahsue127@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.