



Ohio Music Teachers Association
Affiliated with Music Teachers National Association
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Greetings!

We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving Day. This is a great time to share a few updates and to remind you of the important MTNA deadlines that are quickly approaching.

The **MTNA National Conference** will be in Chicago this year. Take advantage of the Early Bird Registration Discount by signing up by the December 2, 2013 deadline. Check this link for details, <https://members.mtna.org/conference2014/index.html>

Remember applications for the Affiliate, Teacher and Program Enrichment Grants must be received by **January 3, 2014**, to be considered by the selection committees. **All applications and supporting materials must be submitted online** through the MTNA Foundation website.

[Program Enrichment Grants](#) are provided to organizations seeking "seed funds" to assist with the creation of grant application materials that can lead to more funding from other organizations.

[Teacher Enrichment Grants](#) are provided to music teachers for private study, specific college-level course work or other projects that will enhance the performing and teaching skills of the applicant.

[Affiliate Matching Grants](#) are available to MTNA-affiliated Local Associations and State Affiliates. These matching grants provide assistance for projects and programs that provide professional and educational development, as well as promotion of music in the state and community.

[Local Association Start-Up Grants](#) are awarded to newly forming MTNA-affiliated local associations for projects that provide educational opportunities for students and teachers. Grants are also given for projects that support the promotion of music in the immediate community.

To apply or to find out more about these grants, visit the [Grants Page](#) on the MTNA Foundation website.

OhioMTA News

- 2014 Fall Conference dates have been set. It will be October 16-18, 2014 at Wilmington College. Remember to save the date. Be sure to check the OhioMTA website for details, <http://www.ohiomta.org/fall-2014.html>
- The 2013 Ohio MTNA Competitions were held at Kent State, October 19-20, 2013. The performances were at the highest caliber. For complete competition results check this link for details, <http://www.ohiomta.org/mtna->

[competitions.html](#)

- The OhioMTA Scholarship Program enables students to attend summer camps, workshops, conferences, take music assessments, further their music studies or pay for additional summer lessons. The money for these scholarships has been donated by the Royal Conservatory Music Development Program, endorsed by the OhioMTA as its state certificate program, and by private donations. For an application, please check this link, <http://www.ohiomta.org/scholarships.html>
- This years East Central Division Competition will be held at Baldwin Wallace University on January 10-11, 2014. Competitions are open to the public. Be sure to stop by if you have a chance. Also remember to "Like" Ohio Music Teachers Association for the announcement of results directly from the competition.

The next Newsletter will be in the extended format and available on line by January 15, 2014. Wishing all of you a Blessed Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

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