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LONG BEACH BRANCH

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Dear MTACBL members,

We are almost to the first ending of the Pandemic. And there will be no repeat!! So many people are now vaccinated. It is exciting to think of maybe beginning a new chapter in the history of mankind. I hope you are all well and thriving as best you can. Nature seems immune; trees are in leaf; flowers are in bloom and birds are everywhere, as well as all the pollinators. Take time to look at the moon, smell those flowers, get some 'funshine' because "Sumer is icumen in" (13th c).

Our branch is maintaining a full schedule, which are listed below for your convenience. *APRIL*

CM results for your students are at your teacher portal. They will be available on April 5 in the parents' portal.

On Wednesday, April 14, from 11 to 12:30 at our **General Meeting**, Craig Ritchie will discuss the works of J.S. Bach-always a delight to have Craig speak to us.

Students may now upload their videos for the **third Branch recital** for a zoom concert On April 24. The deadline for teachers to register their students is April 3 at 11:59 pm. Register your students at <u>www.mtaclb.com</u>, select Recital registration and then select Branch Recital Registration. Submit videos by April 10 at 11:59 to <u>mtaclbrecitalsA@gmail.com</u>. In the subject line put "April Branch recital-student name." In the body of the email put the title of the piece and composer so that those receiving those emails will know who it is. <u>MAY</u>

Our **Annual Business meeting** will be on May 7 from 9:30 to 11:30. Included in this meeting will be the **election of officers**.

Our **Sonata/Sonatina** Festival will be on May 15. First or last movement of a sonata or sonatina is required as is a second contrasting piece from another period of music history. **Wheeler Memorial Award**. FYI: Both Junior and Senior high school students are eligible for the Harold Wheeler Memorial Award. Please check elsewhere in this newsletter or on the website for the deadline. Check the website for information about the Branch Honors recital and its deadline.

All the best to the best! Louise Earhart Yukiko Nobles

PS. Please tell us your news for the Member News Mailbox.





Branch Recital – April 24, 2021

The third and final Branch Recital of the season is scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021. All students at all performance levels are welcome to participate.

This recital will showcase pre-recorded videos shared online via Zoom meetings. Although this recital is free of charge, the Long Beach MTAC will gratefully accept donations.

Deadline for registration is Saturday, April 3, 2021, at 11:59 pm Deadline for video uploads is Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 11:59 pm

To register your students, please visit <u>www.mtaclb.com</u>, select the tab "Recital Registration" then select the "Branch Recital Registration" button to complete the online registration form. Donations to the MTAC Long Beach Foundation can be made here and the homepage.

Student video submissions can be sent to <u>mtaclbrecitals@gmail.com</u>. The subject line should read February Branch Recital - "Student Name". The body of the email should include the title of the piece and composer. For example: February Branch Recital – Jane Doe. Fur Elise by Beethoven.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the event chairs.

Enrollment - Jessica Baptist: <u>baptists church@yahoo.com</u>,

Video Submissions –LindseyHundley: <u>Llhundley@yahoo.com</u> Marc Lombardino: <u>marclombardino@gmail.com</u>

Local News

The Long Beach Alumnae chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota is presenting a series of workshops as a service project. The April event should be of special interest to MTAC teachers, as it addresses issues with licensing, copyrights, and the music business. Our President Paula Savastano is considered an expert in the field. The workshop will be via ZOOM, on April 17 at 1:00 p.m. PDT. Register through sailongbeach.com/events, where you will receive the zoom login number.

Music Teachers' Association of California- Long Beach Branch

Application for the Harold P. Wheeler, Jr. Memorial Music Award

This award is offered annually to a high school senior or junior who is a student 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 Thursday, May 20, 2021.
- Please email(preferred) or send the completed form and all supporting materials to: 13831 Francisco Dr., La Mirada, CA 90638 kwon.katherine@gmail.com

Katherine Kwon,

Applicant's Name	Phone	_Email
Address	City	Zip
Instrument	_ Instrument #2(if applicable)	_ Date of Birth Age

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NECESSARY

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

Requirements

- Please write 1-2 page essay describing why you are a good candidate for this award.
- Email a quality recording of a recent performance to kwon.katherine@gmail.com. The recording should include two works if contrasting style and must correspond to the instrument studied with the submitting teacher. Single movements of longer works 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.

Instrument #1

Print Name of Teacher

Telephone

Telephone

MSSL REPORT

We have just completed the 6th and final MSSL recital for the 2020/2021 season. This was the smallest recital, probably due to the fact that the March MSSL Recital and the Certificate of Merit Exams occured in the same time frames. Eight students total participated, representing the following MTACLB teachers:

Jessica Baptist Dr. Sam Chou Rebecca Mauss Yukiko Nobles

The 2021/2022 MSSL Recital will begin in October. Hopefully with the virus under control and with the vaccine, we will be able to resume live performances for the MSSL Recitals. Wouldn't that be great? Information regarding the 2021/2022 MSSL Recital season should be made available in the MTACLB September 2021 newsletter.

I want to thank all the participating teachers for submitting their students and more importantly to thank the students for sharing their talents by participating.

All the Best!

Lilia Pershina

www.pianolilia.com



Member News

Dr. Louise Earhart gave a talk and discussion at Lycoming College in Pennsylvania on Thursday, March 16, entitled "Building a Private Piano Studio." This is part of a colloquium series for the college.

The Northern Michigan Chamber ensemble, formed by Louise Earhart in 2019, with a violinist and cellist from Chicago, will perform in August 2021. This will be the 3rd collaboration for the NMCE. It will appear later on Vimeo and CD's are available.

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: <u>iminui@gmail.com</u>

Reimbursements for Branch Expenses: Contact: Rebecca Mauss: rjmauss@gmail.com

Program, Masterclasses Contact: Marc Lombardino: <u>marclombardino@gmail.com</u>

Membership Susan High: <u>susanhigh@gmail.com</u>

Certificate of Merit Contact: Sarah Sandvig: <u>sarahsandvig@gmail.com</u> Andrea Chou-Wu: <u>jou_hsiang_en@hotmail.com</u>

Newsletter Contact: Linda Pryor: pryornotes@hotmail.com

Additional Questions/Concerns Contact: Yukiko Nobles <u>yukikonobles@gmail.com</u> Dr. Louise Earhart louise.earhart@charter.net









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.