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Noteworthy News



June 2016

President's Notes

Upcoming Events:

July 1-July 5- MTAC
State Convention

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Happy June everyone!

What a fantastic year we've had in our branch of MTAC. I am so blessed to have worked with such an outstanding Board of Directors both years of my Presidency. We have had many positive changes to our branch and I look forward to serving as Honorary Advisor on the new, fantastic Board!

Our annual potluck/installation dinner was held on Sunday, June 5th. The two winners of the Harold Wheeler Scholarship and three winners of the Sonata/Sonatina Festival gave a terrific performance for those in attendance.

I can't wait for our MTAC Convention in a few weeks as well! If you happen to be there on Friday morning, you may catch me singing the National Anthem with two other Voice Teachers... ☺ There are so many wonderful presenters this year, and several training sessions on the new online system which will launch soon. Hope to see you there!

Thank you to everyone in the Branch for attending workshops, recitals, competitions, and for serving as a fantastic music family for so many of us!

Hope to see you at the convention!
Sarah Sandvig
MTACLB: President



President: Sarah Sandvig

Sonata/Sonatina Festival 2016

On May 14, 2016, the annual Piano Sonata/Sonatina Competition took place at the Seal Beach Center for Spiritual Living. 33 students competed in this event. The judges were Jackie Pettito, Agatha Hou, and Kevin Loucks. Here are the results of the competition:

Elementary Category:

1st Place: Ava Le (Yasukawa)

2nd Place: Serena Daley (Yasukawa)

3rd Place: Harune Matsutani (Yasukawa)

Honorable Mentions: Konoka Tsukada (Yasukawa), Miyu Muwada (Yasukawa), Lyn Huang (Chen), and Irenka Ni (Yasukawa)

Intermediate Category:

1st Place: Christopher Roberts (Sullivan)

2nd Place: Mai Takahashi (Yasukawa)

3rd Place: Mizuki Horiguchi (Yasukawa)

Honorable Mentions: Donovan Claverie (Earhart) and Ko Tanoura (Yasukawa)

Advanced Category:

1st Place: Noah Lovold (High)

2nd Place: Deborah Cheng (Yasukawa)

3rd Place: Jocelyn Hsu (Yasukawa)

Honorable Mentions: Jonathan Cheng (Yasukawa), Marilyn Eteaki (Earhart), and Emily Lennon (Yasukawa)

I would like to acknowledge all the teachers who helped with the event: Marla Devich for making the certificates; Noreen Wenjen for bringing lunch and helping with the final program; Kazuko Yasukawa for setting up and checking in students; Louise Earhart for announcing the programs and timing; Susan High for helping with the final program; and Mark Sullivan for mailing out the comment sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

Willie Chen, Co-Chair





Installation Potluck Dinner

Marla presented Sarah Sandvig with the MTAC-Long Beach Branch's President's Plaque for her wonderful service to our Branch. Congratulations, Sarah!



Congratulations to our new 2016-2017 MTAC-Long Beach Branch Board! (L to R) Yvonne Chen - Certificate of Merit Director, Linda Pryor - Parliamentarian, Susan High - Membership Secretary, Marla Devich - Honorary Advisor, Mary Inui - Treasurer, Sarah Sandvig - Honorary Advisor, Marc Lombardino - Second Vice-President, and Laura Dickey - President



Congratulations to our Sonata/Sonatina Winners (L to R) Christopher Roberts - Intermediate Level, Student of Mark Sullivan; Ava Le - Elementary Level, Student of Kazuko Yasukawa; and Noah Lovold - Advanced Level, Student of Susan High.

Robert Gleiser, Violinist and Winner of the Harold Wheeler Award, with his Teacher Janice Luna and Accompanist Rob Woyshner. Congratulations Robert!



Sarah with her Voice Student Molly Gooch, one of two Harold Wheeler Award Winners!

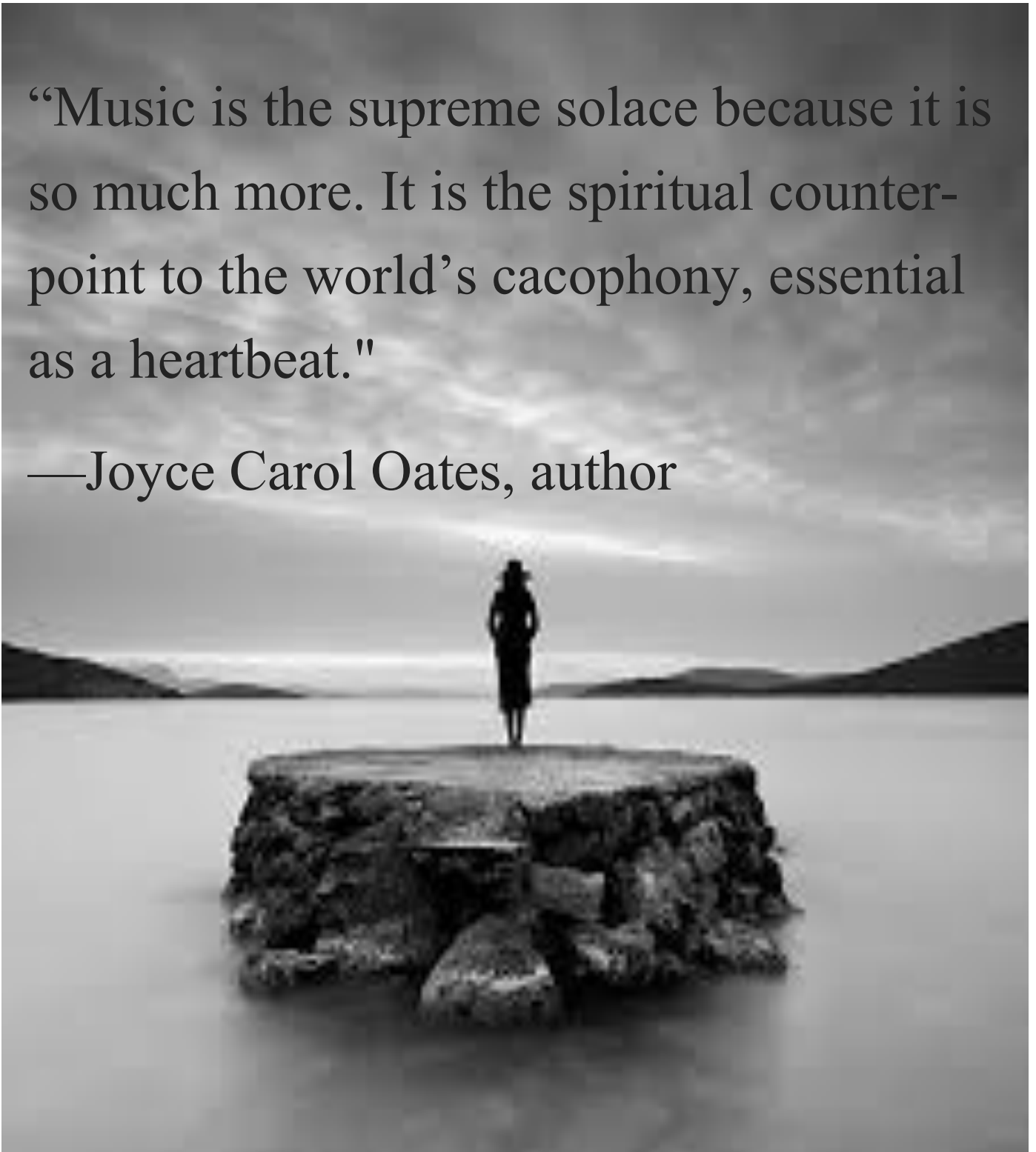


Wonderful evening of
great performances by
these talented students!

Quote of the Day, shared by Clorinda Moore

“Music is the supreme solace because it is so much more. It is the spiritual counterpoint to the world’s cacophony, essential as a heartbeat.”

—Joyce Carol Oates, author



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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.

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

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