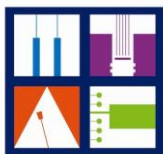


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President's Message

Dear MTACLB teachers,

Thank you for all you do for MTACLB and for sharing your music throughout our community. Just as the spring flowers, you enrich all of our lives. I recently listened the medieval round ("rond") entitled "Sumer is Icumen in" or "Sing, Cuckoo" by the Hilliard ensemble. Here are some of those wonderful words in modern English (trans. by Louise):

Summer is a-coming in
Loudly sing, cuckoo
Growing seeds and meadows bloom
And springs the wood anew ...

This manuscript comes from the Reading Abbey in England. It is supposedly the oldest example of six-part polyphony known. Just as in the mid 13c, all the earth struggles to push through the soil, to give its creatures food, shade from the sun, and to begin anew. We have shared this world-wide pandemic. We can be certain that nearly all the inhabitants of our planet have felt its effects. So, we all are once-again springing into our lives once-lived, slowly, but surely. We will see each other "live" again soon. We look forward to that time.

Be Well, Be Safe!

Yukiko Nobles and Louise Earhart
Co-Presidents, MTAC Long Beach



MTACLB EVENTS:

1. Sonatina/Sonata Festival recitals are on-line at these links:
Elementary Division: <https://youtu.be/8jcAc6vtpOE>
Intermediate Division: <https://youtu.be/bALcjmz8dNA>
Advanced Division: <https://youtu.be/Hxw5lQR2Gxc>
2. The installation of officers will be June 7 at 10:00 am. Please come if you can. Here is the link:

Topic: MTAC Long Beach New Board Installation Meeting

Time: Jun 7, 2021 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ucsb.zoom.us/j/85397153838>

Meeting ID: 853 9715 3838

3. Please see more information about the Convention on the MTAC website. Here are a few details taken from the website:

Convention 2021 | July 2 to July 5

Virtual Event

\$225 Non-Member Ticket

\$150 Member Ticket

Please note, you only need to purchase one ticket for the attendees in your household.

4. If you haven't done so, please fill in the survey concerning Certificate of Merit composed by MTAC member, Teri Watson. Please do not forget to push the submit button. The link to the survey is given below for your convenience if you have not yet responded:
<https://form.jotform.com/211186942648968?fbclid=IwAR3Z6LCdVNHQIFq5QvlBoMxhEW0A0yFKptSLRDUajWO9cTVFHUTKUPfSH8>



Hello Members,

The Wheeler Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the winner of 2021 Harold P. Wheeler, Jr. Memorial Music Award: **Luke Morrison**.

Luke is a junior at Wilson High School in Long Beach and a student of Rebecca Mauss.

This year, we had four outstanding candidates who all showed amazing musical talents and made significant contributions to their community. Among these amazing candidates, Luke especially stood out with his extensive commitment to multiple churches, the school orchestra, LBSM and many other organizations. In addition, his piano performance demonstrated an advanced level of understanding music. We cannot wait to see what the future will hold for this impressive young individual! Congratulations to Luke Morrison!

Thank you!

Katherine Kwon,
Wheeler Memorial Chair

2021 Piano Sonata/Sonatina Festival

Our Sonata/Sonatina Festival was held in video format this year due to the ongoing pandemic. Twenty-one students were entered from the studios of six teachers: Willie Chen, Laura Dickey, Dr. Louise Earhart, Pheaross Graham, Susan High, and Hannah Yi. The Elementary Category had four entries, Intermediate had seven entries, and Advanced had ten entries. Our judges were Dr. Susan Kim-Pedroza of Long Beach City College, Dr. Minji Noh of Irvine Valley College and Chaffee College, and Dr. Louise Thomas of Chapman University.

The winners were:

Elementary

1st, Bradley Teramoto, student of Susan High
2nd, Ezra Bush, student of Phaeross Graham
3rd, Penelope Liu, student of Hannah Yi
HM, Lana Nordstrom, student of Susan High

Intermediate

1st, Nicholas Choi, student of Susan High
2nd, Isaiah King, student of Susan High
3rd, Mason Nguyen, student of Willie Chen
HM, Chiara Shen, student of Susan High

Advanced

1st, Lyn Huang, student of Willie Chen
2nd, Caleb Nguyen, student of Laura Dickey
3rd, Jeremiah Finaly, student of Dr. Louise Earhart
HM, Nicholas Jenson, student of Dr. Louise Earhart
HM, Grace Carr, student of Susan High

Thanks to all the participants and their teachers, and a special shout-out to Marc Lombardino for creating the videos of the performances and other technical help! We look forward to seeing you (hopefully in person) next year!

Laura Dickey and Hannah Yi
Piano Sonata/Sonatina Festival Co-Chairs

Who can I contact?

Here is a quick list of Board Members who can help with any questions you may have.

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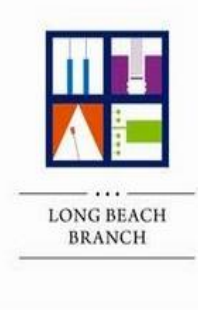
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**for past newsletters,
forms, maps, calendar,
and more!**

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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.