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BRANCH

Upcoming Events:

- ♦ 1/2-1/15- CM Day/time & Carpool Requests
- ♦ 1/15-CM Deadline-Rep, BH, Conv. & Accompanist
- ♦ Sun. 1/14 3:30pm
Program: Bach masterclass
- ♦ Sun. 1/28 3:30pm
Harold Wheeler Concert
- ♦ Sat. 2/3 10am-2pm
Branch Recital #2
- ♦ Sun. 2/4 3:30pm
Program: Strings Masterclass

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President's Message

Happy New Year!

I hope you have been having an enjoyable holiday season with family and friends! The Ensemble Festival on December 9th was a wonderful addition to the season, with performances by students, family, and teachers. Students seemed to especially enjoy the opportunity to present their Christmas music. The first of the two recitals featured four contrasting arrangements of the Ukrainian Bell Carol, and it was interesting to hear the different composers' interpretations of this familiar tune. The first recital also featured a family trio, with mom on piano and twin daughters on violin and cello. Several teachers took this opportunity to perform duets together.

We jump right into a busy New Year with a Bach Masterclass on Sunday, January 14 conducted by Dr. Mark Sullivan as well as our annual teachers' concert on Sunday January 28 to raise money for the Wheeler Scholarship Fund (note that this event has been moved from the originally scheduled date). I hope you can all attend both events. Please invite all your students and friends to the Wheeler concert so we will have a healthy donation for our scholarship fund!

Our Branch offers many opportunities for student performance and for teacher enrichment. The more you participate the more value you receive from your membership. I encourage you to attend the meetings yourself and to encourage your students to participate in our recitals, festivals, and contests. See you there!

Musically Yours,

Laura Dickey, President



Harold Wheeler Memorial Concert, Sunday, 1/28 (new date) Newcomb Academy, 4:00pm

Teachers' Concert Raises Funds for Wheeler Scholarship Fund

Each year our members present a concert to raise funds for our Wheeler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Plan to attend and/or perform on this year's Concert on Sunday, January 28 at 3:30 pm at Newcomb Academy.

Do invite all your student families and friends so we will have a full audience and a sizable contribution to the scholarship fund!

Contact Chairperson Jeremie Favreau jef72@hotmail.fr for further information.

See the flyer on the next page, and make copies to post in your studio/handout to students!



The Long Beach Branch of the
Music Teachers' Association of California



Benefit Concert

Presented by teachers and friends to raise funds for the

Wheeler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Suggested Donation \$15

Sunday, January 28 at 3:30 pm

Newcomb Academy Auditorium

3351 Val Verde Ave, Long Beach 90808

(Park and enter at south end of campus off Lowe St)

BACH FESTIVAL- 2018

**2018 Bach Festival will on Saturday, February 10
at Newcomb Academy.**

The deadline to register students is Saturday, January 20. Register students at scjbf.org. The fee will be \$25 per student, and each teacher will pay at mtaclb.com.

The time will not be set until the registration closes, but more likely it will be in the morning. If you have questions, please contact the chairs.

Bach Festival Co-Chair, Yukiko Nobles
(yukikonobles@gmail.com) & Kazuko Yasukawa



LONG BEACH BRANCH BAROQUE FESTIVAL

**The Branch Baroque Festival will be held on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 1:00
at Newcomb Academy.**

The purpose of this festival is twofold:

- For piano students who do not wish to participate in the competitive aspect of the Bach Festival or who wish to play pieces by other Baroque composers, this is an opportunity to perform any piece from the Baroque Era and receive written comments from a qualified evaluator.
- Voice, Strings and Winds students will also receive general written comments about style, musicality, etc. In addition, one third of these students will be selected to perform in our Branch Winners Recital (which includes the Branch piano winners of the Bach Festival) to be held on Saturday, February 24 at 3:00 PM.

Registration fee per student: \$15

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, Jan. 31

Memorization of music is *not* required.

There is a 5-minute per student time limit.



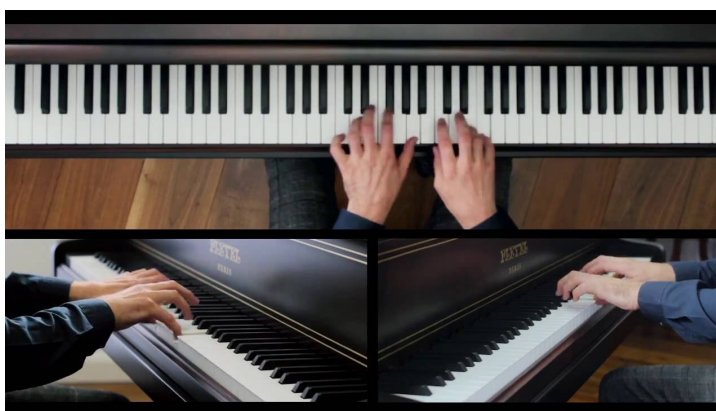
To enroll your students, go to our Branch website: www.mtacb.com and click on the Recital Registration tab. Click on the Baroque Festival button to pull up the registration form. To pay (after you have registered,) click on the "add to cart"

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

January 14th, Program (Bach Masterclass) and General Meeting

3:30pm Home of Dr. Mark Sullivan



CERTIFICATE OF MERIT DEADLINES:

1/2/18 - 1/15/18 - Request Day/time and
Carpool requests

1/15/18- Deadline to enter Repertoire, Branch
Honors, Convention & Accompanist ID.



Music Students' Service League 2017-2018

To participate, please RSVP to Jennifer Watts 3 days before recital day.
Recital attire preferred.

wattsdojin@fastmail.com

Artesia Christian Home

11614 183rd St, Artesia, CA 90701

Sundays 2pm

1/14/18 2/4 3/11

Katella Manor

3952 Katella Ave, Los Alamitos, CA
90720

Sundays 3pm

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Thank you for your participation!

Music Teachers' Association of California-Long Beach Branch



Background: The Music Students' Service League (MSSL) was formed so that students of MTAC members may have the opportunity to serve the community through music. MTAC awards community service credit to students in exchange for their time, efforts, and talents. These awards, in turn, help students to fulfill the graduation requirements of their schools. Students share their gift of music with the community by giving recitals in senior citizen living facilities. MSSL is a student-run organization under the guidance of an MTAC teacher.

ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL REPORT:

Co-Chairs Marla Devich and Ellen Noble

The branch Ensemble Festival held on Saturday, December 9 at Newcomb Academy was a rousing success! The informal atmosphere made this a fun event for everyone. Parents and students enjoy the option of holiday music appropriate to the season.

10 MTAC studios participated in the festival. The approximately 54 performers were grouped in two recitals. The ensembles were of varying sizes and included piano, violin, cello, flute, clarinet, percussion and voice. Participants included students, parents, and teachers.





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Please have photos as jpeg files and provide all heading/captions/story in MS WORD format. No PDF's please.

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out our website:**

www.mtacb.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.