



Music Teachers' Association of California Glendale Branch Newsletter November, 2010

UP-COMING EVENTS

Practicing for Scholarships

November 1 – 30, 2010
Chair Jeff Lavner (818) 790-8088

Fall Workshop/Recital

Sunday, November 7, 2010, all day
Brand Library Recital Hall
Chair Tatevik Kyosayan (818) 517-9089

String Master Class with Alexander Treger

Sunday, November 14, 2010, 1:30 – 4:30 PM
Brand Library Recital Hall
Chair Gayaneh Kumar (818) 833-5944

Certificate of Merit Online Registration Deadline

Monday, 11:59 PM, November 15, 2010
Chair Pamela Lam (626) 300-5902

Contemporary Festival

Sunday, December 5, 2010, all day
Brand Library Recital Hall
Chair Ann Kleinsasser (818) 248-1186

Branch Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 7, 2010, 12:00 Noon
Location TBA
RSVP - Arlene Ferrolino (818) 291-9891

Piano Master Class with Peter Yazbeck

Sunday, January 23, 2011, 3:00 PM
Brand Library Recital Hall
Chair Karina Yeproyan (818) 547-5825
Postmark deadline – December 15, 2010

Fall Workshop and Recital



This year's Fall Workshop and Recital will be held on Sunday, November 7 at the Branch Library Recital Hall. As has been the case in previous years, it will occur on the day that the **time will fall back to Standard Time**. Please remember this and be sure to adjust your clocks to avoid any confusion on the day of this event.

There will be 112 students performing in 5 programs throughout the day. Chair for this event is Tatevik Kyosayan.

Practicing for Scholarships

Our branch's highly successful fund-raising program is back in full swing this year. This event to benefit our Memorial Music Scholarship Foundation runs for the entire month of November. As students practice, they raise money when friends and family members become sponsors. Sponsors donate to the scholarship fund based on the number of hours a student practices.

A student who collects at least \$30.00 will receive a 4" column personalized trophy. Students may also work toward larger trophies by collecting additional funds. Please encourage your students to participate by getting as many sponsors as they can.

This event is headed by Jeff Lavner (818) 790-8088. Please see the attachment of the newsletter or check the Branch website for the official entry form. We encourage all teachers to participate and students to join in this event.

String Master Class

Alexander Treger will be the master teacher at this year's String Master Class to be held at 1:30 PM on Sunday, November 14 at the Brand Library Recital Hall.

All are invited to attend this annual event. Teachers, please encourage your students to be there. For further details, please contact Chair Gayaneh Kumar at (818) 833-5944.



CM News



Here is a message directly from our CM Chair, Pamela Lam.

Please remember the following dates and mark them on your calendar.

CM Online Registration Deadline:

November 15, 2010. Certificate of Merit online registration must be completed by 11:59 PM, Monday, November 15 by all participants. Please note that late registration will NOT be accepted. Refer to the yearbook or www.mtac.org for details or contact Pamela Lam, CM chair at PamLam@usa.net.

CM fee and a copy of signed Work Contract** should be sent to CM Chair Pamela Lam (228 N. Santa Anita St., San Gabriel CA 91775) no later than **November 16, 2010.**

** A Copy of the Work Contract can be found in your 2010 – 2011 Branch Yearbook or download it from www.glendalemtac.org

If you will have Panel students, please also mark the following dates:

- CM Panel Dates for Piano:
March 5, 2011 (Sat) at Azusa Pacific College.
- CM Panel Date for strings (Violin and Viola):
February 26, 2011
- CM Panel Date for Cello and all YAG Strings:
February 27, 2011
- CM Panel Date for Voice and Wind:
March 5, 2011
- YAG (Piano) candidates will only be heard on March 5 and March 6.

I hope you have read and reviewed the New CM Policies & Procedures Manual. All teachers are required to read it before enrolling students for the new CM year. You can find these documents after you log-in to your own page from www.mtac.org. <http://www.ll> hope you will find this new format clearer and easier to understand.

We do have two addenda to the CM Policies and Procedures Manual:

- **Section 3, Paragraph 4, "CM Evaluation Results – CM Database"**: After the CM Evaluation Release have been released, CM Teachers are responsible for checking that CM Performance Evaluation and Theory Examination Results entered into the CM Database **online are accurate and correct. Corrections must be submitted to the Branch**

CM Chair no later than May 31 of each year. Corrections submitted after May 31 will not be changed in the CM Database, and neither the CM Branch Chair nor the CM Council shall be obligated to make changes after this date.

- **Section 4. CM Evaluations, #3 Repertoire Requirements: 3a.** If the music scores brought into the **evaluation do not have the title and/or composer name in English**, the teacher must include an English translation

CM Strings news: Please note that starting CM 2011, Level 2 evaluations will be **changed to 10 minutes** instead of 15 minutes. The registration fee has been changed accordingly.

If you have specific questions about your instruments, please contact our CM area chairs:

Piano/General CM:	Pamela Lam or Carolyn Chu
Cello:	Jenny Goss
Strings (Violin/Viola):	Gayaneh Kumar
Voice:	Olivia Jacobson
Wind:	Ginny Atherton

Please visit us online at

www.glendalemtac.org

Contemporary Festival

The Contemporary Festival this year, chaired by Ann Kleinsasser, will be held throughout the day on Sunday, December 5 at the Brand Library.

A very popular event, this festival focuses on music composed in the contemporary idiom and is limited to living composers or those who have died since 1960. Exceptions to this rule are Bartok, Prokofiev and Gershwin.



Branch Christmas Party

Join the Board and members for our annual Branch Christmas luncheon on Tuesday, December 7 at a location yet to be determined. There will be good food (cost will be approximately \$15 - \$20 per person), fun and a chance to share the holiday spirit with your colleagues and friends. Plan to be there and watch for further announcements.

Piano Master Class

With Peter Yazbeck



The Piano Master Class with Peter Yazbeck will be our first event for the year 2011. The Master Class, to be held at the Brand Library on Sunday, January 23 at 3:00 PM will focus on upper intermediate and advanced students. Please note that teachers may submit more than one application, however only one student per teacher will be selected by the master teacher.

Canadian born Peter Yazbeck studied at the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto, Canada, the University of Toronto's Senior School and the Mannes College of Music in New York City. His teachers have included Ukrainian pianist Lubka Kolessa, Swiss-Russian pianist Boris Roubakine, Czech pianist Hans Neumann and Muriel Kerr of USC.

In addition to debut recitals in Canada and at Town Hall in New York, Mr. Yazbeck has performed widely in recital, on radio and with symphony in the East and the West. He appeared twice with the Ventura Symphony.

Mr. Yazbeck is perhaps best known for his distinguished teaching career. His students have been the recipients of many awards, and he is highly acclaimed for his work with piano teachers through his state and regional and workshops, lectures and master classes

A leading adjudicator in Southern California, he was on the State Board of Music Teachers Association of California for nine years, ending as the president. He was a senior lecturer in Piano at the University of California at Santa Barbara for twenty years, until a heart attack in 1992 curtailed his activities. Since then he has been privately teaching students of all ages in all parts of the country.

The Master Class is open to all Glendale Branch members and their students at no charge. Teachers and their students are encouraged to take this opportunity for further education and enrichment. Chair for this event is Karina Yeproyan. Please contact her for any questions or concerns.

Past Events

Many thanks go to Pamela Lam for coordinating and to Carl Matthes for hosting the Town Hall Meeting on Sunday afternoon, October 24. It was a very well attended meeting in which all that were present had the opportunity to share ideas, experiences and suggestions related to teaching. Thank you to all who came and joined in the discussion topics and shared their opinions. Thanks also to Josephine Chang for coordinating the refreshments.

Go Green!

Your newsletter is now coming to you electronically!

If you wish to change back to regular mail, send an e-mail to arleneferrolino@yahoo.com or call Arlene at (818) 291-9891 and we will resume regular mailing to you.

Membership News

New Members – Welcome to a new member who has recently joined our Branch:

Denise M. Petski, piano – (818) 562-8276
dpetski@yahoo.com

Teacher Referral List – The following teachers are accepting new students:

Lorna Eder – piano (661) 904-6482
Leder999@aol.com
children through adults, beginner through advanced

Barbara Klump – piano (818) 249-8472
MixtureV@pacbell.net
Starting January, 2011

Tate Kyosayan – piano (818) 517-9089
tatevkyo@yahoo.com
young students from 3 – 6 years old.

If you would like your name to be on the Teacher Referral List, please contact Arlene Ferrolino at arleneferrolino@yahoo.com or (818) 291-9891.

We would greatly appreciate your contributions to our newsletter.

You may send membership and student news or any other articles of interest for the newsletter to Arlene Ferrolino by calling (818) 291-9891 and leaving a detailed message or you may e-mail information directly to her at arleneferrolino@yahoo.com.

Deadline for December, 2010 issue – November 20

State Board News

From Glen Stark, Composers Today Coordinator:

Please be advised that the deadlines for Composers Today Evaluation and YCG applications have changed. The new dates are as follows. You may obtain application forms on the MTAC website www.mtac.org under Composers Today.

Deadlines for 2010 - 2011:

January 15th YOUNG COMPOSERS GUILD

Summary: Students must be in high school grades 10, 11, or 12 or at the collegiate level to be eligible to apply. High school students must be studying with an active MTAC teacher in good standing. The college student has studied during the high school years with an active MTAC teacher in good standing who will serve as the sponsoring teacher. Send application directly to YCG Chair.

January 10th EVALUATIONS

Contact Branch Chair and inform them how many of your students plan to send compositions.

January 15th EVALUATIONS

Summary: 7 categories, from Pre-CM (Cat 0) to Advanced (Cat 4), including two categories for teacher composers (Cat 5 and 6). Send composition, application and a check to the Branch Chair. Must be received by January 15th.

March 30th STATE CONTEST

Postmarked Deadline is March 30th. Applications sent to the CT Branch Chair.

April 15th SYMPOSIUM

Summary: For composers of all ages, including students and teachers, that have submitted an original composition in the Evaluations and meet the minimum requirements of a rating of 4 or 5. Postmarked Deadline is April 15th. Applications sent directly to Symposium Chair.

Check the MTAC website for the current and back issues of the MTAC News. Important information pertaining to all State programs is always available online at www.mtac.org.

Miscellaneous

The California Women's Chorus, Inc. announces its Vocal Award Auditions to be held March 19, 2011. Forms and information are available by contacting Sharon Schlarb (626) 403-5622 schlarbs@aol.com or at www.cwchorus.com.

Arlene T. Ferrolino
President, MTAC Glendale

So many up-coming events!

Don't miss them! Get involved, get your students to participate.

Arlene Ferrolino, President
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