



**March 1, 2016**

Dear CCMTAC Members,

Good luck to all of our students participating in Certificate of Merit this month! Please remember that the theory testing will be at a different hotel this year - the **Crowne Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, the Contra Costa Room**. Members, it is now time to update your address on both the CCMTAC branch website and the MTAC state website if any personal information has changed since last year. Membership renewals will be coming up soon, we want to make sure that your information is correct so there are no delays in receiving your bill for membership dues.

Thank you,

Jeanette Dreifuerst, President

## **COMING UP THIS SPRING ...**

March 10th: Teacher Performance Workshop, at home of Julie Rieth, 9:30 a.m.

March 13th: Student recital at Orinda Community Church, 2:00 p.m.

March 5, 6, 19 and 20: Certificate of Merit evaluations

March 31st: Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m. Lafayette Library Redwood Room

April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>: Branch Honors recitals

April 24<sup>th</sup>: Masterclass with Sue Hammond, 11:00 a.m.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS...**

### **PROGRAMS**

The masterclass with Sue Hammond will be on the morning of April 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. at the Steinway Store in Walnut Creek. The May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will take place at 10:00 a.m. at Sue Cardwell's (different location than in the directory).

Sue Farmer and Dwight Stone, Chairs

## HONOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS RECITAL

Our recital to honor our high school seniors will take place again this year! The date will be May 15<sup>th</sup>, tentatively at 7:30 p.m..

Ruth Ann Schwan, Chair

## STUDENT RECITALS

The next monthly student recital will be Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> for school age starting at 2:00 pm. All student recitals are held at Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda.

Please register your students online at [ccmtac.org](http://ccmtac.org). The database is open to register your students. The procedures are the same as last year and may be found in our directory.

Barbara Anderson, Recital Chair

## TEACHER'S PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS

Hostesses for Teacher Performance Workshops, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.:

March 10 Julie Rieth

April 21<sup>st</sup> Kirsten West (note date change from directory)

May 12 Tanya Heeb

All are welcome. Please contact the hostess if you plan to attend. The phone numbers and emails are in the new directory or available on our website.

Barbara Anderson, Chair

## VOCE (Voice, Orchestral Instruments, Chamber Music and Ensembles)

Anyone with questions about VOCE should contact James Greening-Valenzuela by email at [jamesgreening36@gmail.com](mailto:jamesgreening36@gmail.com)

James Greening-Valenzuela, Chair

## CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

The dates for Certificate of Merit evaluations for 2016 will be March 5, 6, 19 and 20 for all instruments. Branch Honors recitals will be April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Lafayette and Peace Lutheran Church in Danville.

Please contact Judy Morrison at [jmspraktis@astound.net](mailto:jmspraktis@astound.net) with any questions.

Judy Morrison, Chair

## MSSL



Students performed at the Diablo Lodge in Danville in December. If you have students interested in community service hours through the outreach program, please have them contact Jenny Wong [jennywong337@yahoo.com](mailto:jennywong337@yahoo.com) for more information or visit the website at <http://msslmusic.org>.

Jenny Wong, Chair

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST ...



A 1936 Model M Steinway piano (5'7") for sale at \$10,500.00 by owner in Oakland. Has been officially appraised for resale and replacement value. Please call 510-530-7275 for more information.

### **Openings in Piano Studio in Concord for ages 4.5 to adult.**

I've been teaching for 30 years and loves what I do. I try to make lessons fun and help my students play all styles from Classical to Jazz and everything in between!

Please let me know if you would like any further information or start a lesson!

Ruth Brown

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