



May 1st, 2014

Dear CCMTAC Members,

We are working to update our website. A new calendar feature has been added at the top bar. If you click on the calendar button, you will now be able to view our upcoming events in calendar format. Thanks to Julie Rieth for setting this up and adding the events for us!

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming meeting and recitals in May and June. Please read below for more information. If you plan to attend the convention, early bird registration ends May 15th.

Jeanette Dreifuerst
Contra Costa Branch President

COMING UP SOON...

May 8th: Teacher Performance Workshop 9:30 at Mary Hotten's, 46 San Pablo Ct., Moraga

May 15th: Last day to register for convention at early bird prices.

May 15th: CCMTAC General Membership Meeting followed by Luncheon, 9:30 a.m.,
Sue Farmer's Residence, 679 Tahos Rd., Orinda

May 18th: Student and Adult Recitals, Orinda Community Church, starting at 2:00 p.m.

May 18th: Honoring our Seniors Recital, Lafayette Library Recital Hall 7 p.m.

June 1st: VOCE Recital, Orinda Community Church, 5:00 p.m.

June 27th –July 1st: MTAC Convention, Hilton Hotel at LAX

July 13th: Gregory Taboloff Concert, 4 p.m. Leshner Center for the Arts, Walnut Creek

IN CONCERT...

Gregory Taboloff is giving a private benefit concert in August at a private home in Orinda. This was part of a benefit auction held in March by the Zenophone Therapeutic Foundation for which they successfully raised in excess of \$2500 from the highest bidders for his concert. This Foundation provides therapeutic horseback riding, hippotherapy and related activities to children with mental and physical disabilities. "With a horse as their guide, these children can gain self esteem, confidence, mobility and balance."

Gregory is giving a public solo concert at the **Leshner Center for the Arts** in Walnut Creek, Sunday, July 13th, at 4 PM. His program includes Schumann's Faschingsschwank aus Wien, two Scarlatti sonatas, Beethoven's Waldstein Sonata, Chopin's third Ballade, Rachmaninoff's Preludes Op. 32, and Debussy's Le Plus Que Lent. Tickets will be available in May. Call (925) 943-SHOW for ticket information.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS...

Membership renewals begin in April. Any members who have recently moved or changed their contact information will need to update their information now so that the State Office can send the invoice for Membership renewal to the correct address. (see instructions below)

Student, Provisional and Cal Plan Members who have memberships that will expire in 2014 may be blocked from renewal. Students who do not provide verification with official transcripts may also be blocked from renewal until verification is obtained by the State Office. All membership status inquiries can be directed to Melanie Doyle at mdoyle@mtac.org

Instructions for Updating Personal Information :

CCMTAC Website: First Logon, then select the “My Profile” Button. This will bring you to the page where you can edit your information. When you are done press “Save” at the bottom of the page.

MTAC Website: After logging on, click on “Teacher Information” at the top left. You may edit anything in the purple box and press “Submit” at the bottom of the page.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS...

PROGRAMS

The May business meeting, sonata contest repertoire review and luncheon will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Sue Farmer’s residence, 679 Tahos Rd, Orinda
Lynda McManus and Sue Farmer, Chairs

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

Please join us for our first CCMTAC VOCE recital, featuring string and piano students from our branch in chamber music ensembles. Sunday, June 1, 5:00 p.m. at Orinda Community Church. Thanks to all participating teachers and students. Let's hope this is just the first of many to come!

James Greening
Branch VOCE Chair
jgrv@juno.com

Honor Our High School Senior’s Recital coming in May!

Please join us on May 18th, 7 p.m. at the Lafayette Library Recital Hall for a wonderful performance put on by our high school seniors. The recital will be video-taped for viewing on YouTube. Refreshments will be served following the program. Don’t miss this fun and exciting event!

Ruth Ann Schwann, Chair

STUDENT RECITALS

The final recital for this year will be on May 18th for students and adults. All recitals are held at Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. Please follow the instructions in the directory to sign up.

Barbara Anderson, Chair

TEACHER'S PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS

The final workshop will be held on May 8th at Mary Hotten's, 46 San Pablo Ct., Moraga R.S.V. P. to mjhotten@gmail.com or 925-938-9715.

Barbara Anderson, Chair

MSSL PROGRAM

MSSL will perform at Rossmoor on June 13 at 1 pm. All are welcome to perform!
Also, membership enrollment starts up again in June for the new MSSL year. We will be officially 1 year old in May! Please visit our website at **msslmusic.org**.

Jared Wong, Chair