

# *Contra Costa Music Teacher's Association of California*

*October 1, 2017*



Time is flying! We just started this year, but it's October already with a lot of activities in our Branch. Do not miss the registration deadlines for the first Students Recital and Sonata Contest.

Our general meeting in September was well attended and we were treated nicely with a lot of CM news and delicious food. The fruit trays were spectacular!

If you did not pick up a CCMTAC Directory at the September 19 meeting, they are available at Campana's in Lafayette and House of Woodwinds in San Ramon. One copy per teacher.

Tanya Heeb , President

## *COMING UP THIS FALL...*

October 5: CCMTAC Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 a.m. at Steinway Gallery, Walnut Creek

October 1-31: Certificate of Merit Enrollment Period

October 12: Teacher Performance Workshop, 9:30 a.m. at Barbara Anderson's residence

October 15: Database closes for Sonata Contest registration, 11:59 p.m.

October 15: Student Recital, 2:00 p.m., Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda

November 2: CCMTAC Board Meeting, 10:30a.m.–12:00 a.m. at Steinway Gallery, Walnut Creek

November 5: Student Recital, 2:00 at Orinda Community Church

November 9: Teacher Performance Workshop, 9:30 a.m. at Jim Gardner's residence

November 16: New Members coffee at Peet's in Walnut Creek at 9:30

November 16: Lino Rivera–The Keyboard Sonata: A Brief History at Steinway Gallery in Walnut Creek.

November 18: Sonata Contest, Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda

December 2: Holiday Party, 7 p.m. at Sue Farmer's residence

## *NEW MEMBERS*

We would like to invite our new members on November 16 at 9:30 to Peet's Coffee and Tea at 1343 Locust Street, Walnut Creek. Please come for a little chat before Lino Rivera's presentation. It's our chance to get know each other

## *PROGRAMS*

A Brief History of the Keyboard Sonata presented by Lino Rivera might be interesting, not just for the pianists, but for all instrumentalists who work with Sonata form, as was stated by one of our violin teachers.

## *SONATA CONTEST*

The Sonata Contest will be held this year on Saturday, November 18th at the Orinda Community Church. Registration is now open and closes on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please read the general information sheet on our website under “Branch Events” then “Sonata Contest.” You may register students through our branch website at [www.ccmtac.org](http://www.ccmtac.org), under “Programs,” then “Sonata Contest.” The repertoire list is available on the website. If you have any further questions, please contact Hyunji Park at [hyunjipark@hotmail.com](mailto:hyunjipark@hotmail.com). Hyunji reminds us to pay attention to her new mailing address this year: 38 Donald Dr., Orinda, CA 94563

## *STUDENT RECITALS*

Our first monthly student recital will be Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. All student recitals are held at Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. The second recital of the school year will be November 5<sup>th</sup>. 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 and Lorraine Phillips are co-chairs of this program.

## *TEACHER'S PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS*

The first meeting is Thursday, October 12th at Barbara Anderson's. Please rsvp by e-mail to [bandersonpiano@aol.com](mailto:bandersonpiano@aol.com), or phone 925-254-5049. These meetings can be a rehearsal for an upcoming performance, a sharing of teaching pieces, or sharing studio problems. For new members, this is a great way to get to know other members in a smaller setting. The second workshop will take place on November 9 at Jim Gardner's home.

Barbara Anderson, Chair

## *CERTIFICATE OF MERIT*

The dates for Certificate of Merit evaluations for 2018 will be March 17, 18, 25, and 31 for all instruments. Theory testing for ALL STUDENTS, ALL INSTRUMENTS will be on March 17 and March 18 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Concord. Please check all emails from Judy for instructions on migrating and enrolling students in Certificate of Merit. October 1-31 enrollment opens. November 1- 10 parents pay CM fees online. Our CM Chair Judy Morrison will keep us informed about all news coming from the State CM coordinators.

## *Baroque Festival*

The dates for this year Baroque Festival – Friday evening, February 23, 2018 and all day on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at Orinda Community Church. This event is open to all students who study with CCMTAC members. Students of all ages, all instruments and all levels are welcome. They have to perform one piece from the Baroque period. A panel of three judges will

evaluate their performance in a friendly recital setting. Registration will open on December 1st, and close on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

More information from the Baroque Festival Coordinators will be sent to all teachers.

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

Anyone with questions about VOCE should contact its Chair, James Greening-Valenzuela, by email at [jgrv@juno.com](mailto:jgrv@juno.com).

### *Studio Recitals*

To schedule your Students Recital at Orinda Community Church please contact Ms. Dagmar Slovak, Office Manager 925-254-4906

### *Honor High School Senior Recital*

Program Chair Ruth Ann Schwan is preparing to run this recital in May. She already has reserved the place for May 6 – Lafayette Library and Community Center from 6:30 to 8:30. The program is honoring our students who continue music study through their senior year of high school. It's a huge commitment! All instruments are invited to perform – no memory required. As teachers we have to show all the support we can. Our donations will help to run this program smoothly and they are tax deductible. Make your check payable to Awards for Excellence.

### *MSSL*

If you have students interested in the outreach program, please have them contact Jenny Wong [jennywong337@yahoo.com](mailto:jennywong337@yahoo.com) or student – President and co-founder Serena Wang [serenawang@msslmusic.org](mailto:serenawang@msslmusic.org) for more information or visit the website at <http://msslmusic.org>. This group of students is doing a lot of amazing things for the community.

