

Contra Costa Music Teacher's Association of California



September 1, 2018

Dear CCMTAC Members,

I hope you all had a restful, relaxing summer because you deserve it! Now it's time to say goodbye to summer, to put away summer clothes and start teaching again. We all are looking forward to a new year with excitement and expectation of a new opportunity, new journey. We know not everything will be perfect, but we are trying our best to help students to learn music. My personal goal is to give them as much knowledge as possible that they would be able to learn and play on their own for the rest of their lives.

Now that teaching days are on their way, I wish you all a successful year!

Tanya Heeb, CCMTAC President

COMING UP THIS FALL...

September 4: Sonata Contest registration opens.

September 6: CCMTAC Board meeting at 10:30 at Steinway Gallery in Walnut Creek

September 18: Membership Meeting, **9:30 a.m.** at Grace Presbyterian Church ,2100 Tice Valley Rd., Walnut Creek **mandatory for those participating in CM**

October 11: Teacher Performance Workshop, 9:30 a.m., Ginny Bigelow residence, 1655 North California Blvd., Walnut Creek

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

October 7: Student Recital, 2:00 p.m., Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda

October 18: Roger Woodward presentation at 10:00 a.m. Steinway Gallery, 1605 Bonanza St., Walnut Creek

November 17: Sonata Contest, Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the new members , most of them not so new to our branch:

Alexandra Davidova moved from student member to active member,

Matylda Rodkewich reinstated her membership,

Justin Nash – contributory member, Olha Ralduhina – Cal Plan

PROGRAMS

Our first program of the season will be on October 18th, 10:00 a.m. at the Steinway Store, 1605 Bonanza St., Walnut Creek. Australian born concert pianist Roger Woodward from the School of Music at San Francisco State University will be presenting Chopin Etudes, Fourth Ballade, Debussy Estampes.

Program Chair, Sue Farmer

SONATA CONTEST

The Sonata Contest will be held this year on Saturday, November 17th at the Orinda Community Church. Registration will open the week of September 4th and close on October 15th. 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, 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.

Hyunji Park, Chair

STUDENT RECITALS

Our first monthly student recital will be Sunday, October 7th 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. 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, Lorraine Phillips Co-Chair

TEACHER'S PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS

The first meeting is Thursday, October 11th at Ginny Bigelow's place. Please rsvp by e-mail to virginia@bigelow.us, or phone 925-586-5438. 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.

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

James Greening-Valenzuela Chair

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

The dates for Certificate of Merit evaluations for 2019 will be:

Piano -February 23, 24 and March 9,10.

Strings – March 10, 16 and March 17 half day only.

Voice – March 9; Flute – March 10; Harp - ? March 16 is requested.

Theory – Feb. 23, 24, March 9,10. Must be taken on the same weekend as performance.

There will be a **mandatory** membership meeting for all teachers participating in Certificate of Merit on September 18, 9:30 a.m. The location will be at the Grace Presbyterian Church in Walnut Creek at 2100 Tice Valley. With all questions regarding this meeting contact Jeanette Dreyfuerst at jeanette@opendomain.com

CM Committee

MSSL

If you have students interested in the outreach program, please have them contact Jenny Wong jennywong337@yahoo.com for more information or visit the website at <http://msslmusic.org>.

Jenny Wong, Chairperson

Special events and information



Norma Bristol found a very sweet way to say good-bye to our favorite Campana. Thank you, Norma!

Campana was so much for all of us, it's hard to believe there is no more our super friendly old-fashioned music store we all loved.

Some of us worked really hard at summertime.

Congratulations to our voice teacher Ivanna Filipenko! Her student Daria Nedashkovsky won a second place at the international competition in Ternopil(Ukraine).

Ivanna Filipenko was performing her solo recitals this summer in Lviv (Ukraine) and Paris (France). She shared with us her photo from Lviv National Opera House:



We are loaded with Chopin music this October. After Roger Woodward presentation October 18 with Chopin/Debussy program our own Greg Taboloff is going to present his Musical Journey Through the Life of Chopin on October 21. Their programs are totally different. Come and enjoy both.

Scroll down to see a beautiful poster from Greg.

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through the
Life of Chopin**

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Famous Mazurkas, Nocturnes,
Preludes & Waltzes
PLUS
Ballade No. 2, Polonaise No.1
“Fantasie” Impromptu

NEW YORK TIMES REVIEW

*Taboloff's playing is charged with
fresh, bristling spirit... irrepressible
energy... poetry; genuine
introspection.”*

OCTOBER 21, 2018

SUNDAY, 2:30PM

Lafayette Library Community Hall
3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd

TICKETS:

LifeofChopin.eventbrite.com

ADMISSION: **\$40**

Wine/Refreshments Included

gregorytaboloff.com

Chopin

