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MTAC Pasadena October 2019 Newsletter

Greetings MTAC Pasadena Teachers! I hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying the start of the Fall Season! Please take this opportunity to read through information on upcoming events and acquaint yourself with our Pasadena Branch website. This newsletter will be sent out every other month, however, you can always find the most up-to-date information on our website.

Mark your calendars! MTAC Pasadena will be hosting our annual New Year Celebration/Teacher Appreciation Dinner on *Saturday, January 11th at 5:00pm*. More information will be sent out soon!

Congratulations to Kristi Lobitz for being named the Bach Festival Keyboard Regional Chair! Due to her new responsibilities we welcome Dorothy Caimano to be the Pasadena Branch Bach Festival Co-Chair alongside Kristi.

Thank You Notes to Pasadena Branch

*To the Pasadena Board Members of MTAC,
With gratitude, I thank you for your memorial gift to the Donald Gibbons fund in memory of my sister, Clara.
It gives me comfort that others share in my loss and that I am surrounded by your loving care.
With a thankful heart,
Vera Hoalim*

*Dear Members of MTAC Pasadena,
Thank you so much for the generous contribution given in memory of my mom, Dorothy Hwang, to the Pasadena Conservatory. My mom recently gave her beloved Steinway to PCM and your gift will help support its mission to bring the love of music to others - one they shared with my mom. Thanks also for the lovely tribute to her in your August newsletter, which Grace Huang shared with me.
All the best,
Mimi Hwang (for the Hwang family)*

Updates and Corrections:

- All 2019-2020 directories have been mailed to those who were unable to attend our Annual Teacher Meeting. *Please only use the 2019-2020 directory!*
- VOCE will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at MTAC Pasadena member Vera Hoalim's residence.
- The deadline to sign-up for the January 12th Branch Recital is on Friday, January 3rd, 2020; please make this correction in your membership directory calendar.
- The MTAC Pasadena Branch String Festival will be held at Church of Our Saviour on Saturday, May 2, 2020.
- The Voice Festival will be chaired by Valerie Tambaoan -- more soon!

The **Annual Theme Festival** is coming up on November 23, 2019!
The theme for this year is "The Great Outdoors"
We look forward to many participants and hope your students are hard at work on their pieces!
Duet and Solo works are welcome.
For registration applications and deadlines, please [Click Here!](#)

Sincerely,
Kelly Anderson
MTAC Pasadena Branch Theme Festival Chair

Upcoming CM Deadlines

CM 2020 Enrollment Deadline:
10/31/19 @ 11:59pm

Parent Payment Deadline:
11/05/19 @ 11:59pm

Postmark Deadline -- Teacher Work Agreement/Branch Teacher Help Request:
11/12/19 -- NO Exceptions

CM 2020 Testing Dates

Theory and Ear Training:
Sunday, March 8, 2020

Piano Performance Evaluations:

Saturday, March 14, 2020
Sunday, March 15, 2020

String/Voice/Winds Performance Evaluations:
Sunday, March 22, 2020

Branch Honors Recitals
Saturday, April 18, 2020

Upcoming Events

Branch Recitals:
Sunday, October 13th
Sunday, November 3rd
Sunday, December 8, 2019

VOCE Enrollment Opens:
Friday, November 1, 2019

Theme Festival:
Saturday, November 23, 2019

VOCE Deadline to Apply:
Sunday, December 1, 2019

Important CM Information for Teachers

CM 2020 Enrollment is now open. During this time, make sure you have:

1. Parent/Guardian email address for students under the age of 18 or Adult Student's email address.
2. Parent/Guardian or Adult Student will be able to pay for CM fee(s) online after the application is created. Make sure all student info is correct BEFORE paying.

Teachers--CM Enrollment closes on October 31, 2019 at 11:59pm.
For Parents--CM fee payment online closes on November 5, 2019 at 11:59pm.

Teachers--November 12, 2019 is the Postmark Deadline to send Teacher Work Agreement and Branch Teacher Help Request forms. Do not wait to the last minute to send these forms--postmarks past the date above will void all of your student enrollments for the 2020 testing year.

All other information can be found in your CM Training Packet as well as in your MTAC Teacher Portal.

Wishing you and your students a great start to a new CM year!

Sincerely,

Carol Man Lee

MTAC Pasadena Branch CM Chair
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Be sure to check out our Pasadena Branch website for several resources and opportunities! If you are interested in writing an article for the Member's Monthly Message please send it to Ruth Kasckow as a word document. We are looking for teaching tips and/or anything you are personally or professionally passionate about related to teaching and music. Any questions, additions to the website, ideas, or studio opening advertisements you'd like on the website can be emailed to Ruth at rkasckow@flutemuse.com

Lastly, our online membership directory is password protected. If you are missing the password please email mtacpasadena1947@gmail.com. If you have anything that needs to be featured in the next newsletter, please send it to mtacpasadena1947@gmail.com no later than Thursday, December 5th.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Betry

Vice President
Newsletter Editor
MTAC Pasadena Branch