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MTAC Pasadena December 2019 Newsletter

Happy Holidays from the MTAC Pasadena Branch Board!



Teacher Appreciation Dinner

When: Saturday, January 11, 2020

Where: Shiki Seafood Buffet in Temple City

Time: 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Who: All current MTAC Pasadena Members

Please Note: You must RSVP by Saturday, January 4th to attend this event via the Punchbowl Evite sent to your email address. Seating is limited!

We had another successful **Theme Festival** in 2019, with the category, "The Great Outdoors." The Festival was structured with solo and duet categories based on age groups. There were 6 duet teams and 98 solo students representing 21 teachers.

Our four judges were Sharon Townsend, Carl Matthes, Teresa de Jong-Pombo, and Sarkis Baltaian.

Many teachers served above and beyond their assigned duties and I was very grateful for their help. COS was very helpful as well, especially considering the mixup in schedule. We are very grateful for their accommodations.

All judges comments, nameplates, and trophies that weren't handed out have been delivered to Bertrand's Music and are available for teachers to be picked up.

Sincerely,
Kelly Anderson

MTAC Pasadena Branch Theme Festival Chair

Upcoming CM Deadlines

CM Database Opens for Scheduling Preferences/Continued Repertoire Entry:

Thursday, January 2, 2020

Universal Deadline for all CM Entireties:

01/15/2020 @ 11:59pm

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, January 12, 2020

Sunday, February 23, 2020

VOCE Payment Deadline:

Sunday, December 15, 2019

VOCE:

Saturday, January 25, 2020

Junior Festival Auditions:

Saturday, February 1, 2020

(See Branch Calendar for Application Deadlines)

Important CM Information for Teachers

January 2-15, 2020 – Scheduling Preferences Open Online

1. Finish repertoire entries
2. Carpool status for siblings, ensemble members
3. Day Choice for Keyboard students only
4. AM/PM choice for Accompanist purposes only for Strings, Voice, and Winds Teachers.
5. Select Branch Honors (for Level 4-Adv) and/or /Convention Recitals (Level 1-Adv) if desired.
6. Change Panel Status student BACK to Non-Panel Advanced Level

Teachers, remember to:

1. Continually remind students and families of CM 2020 dates.
2. Stress the importance to families to keep CM dates available to their students. If at all possible, schedule family activities that do not conflict with CM Dates. Students have been working diligently all year and they deserve the opportunity to show their musical development in the theory/ear-training and performance evaluations for professional feedback.

If any Teachers are willing to volunteer their time to help out on one of the Branch CM Dates, that will be wonderful. Contact Branch Chair to offer your volunteer time by February 1, 2020.

Keep up the good work!

Carol Man Lee

MTAC Pasadena Branch CM Chair

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Updates and Corrections:

- The Pasadena Branch would like to welcome back Lily Chen and David Peck to our membership.
- There will be a **piano masterclass** on February, 23, 2020 -- 1:30pm at the home of Vera Hoalim. Please contact Jing Yi Xu for more details.
- The **Voice Festival** will be held on February 23, 2020 -- 3:30pm at the residence of Vera Hoalim. Please contact Valerie Tambaoan, the Voice Festival Chair, for more information.
- Reminder: 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.

If you have anything that needs to be featured in the next newsletter, please send it to mtacpasadena1947@gmail.com no later than Wednesday, February 5th.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Betry

Vice President

Newsletter Editor

MTAC Pasadena Branch