
FMTA August Newsletter

August General Meeting

Wednesday, August 18th

9:30-11:30 a.m.

"Kickstarting Repertoire for 2021-22 FMTA Events"

Followed by Brunch

(Please bring a food dish/item to share)

Location: Kathy Hammer's home

1690 S. Valentine Way, Lakewood 80228

A Note from the President

The count down to a new school year, and the ramping up of lessons has begun! I hope you all had a wonderful summer and feel refreshed, rested, and ready to welcome the mass of students back to your studios.

If you are like me, sometimes I need a little kickstart to get my studio into full swing. Our August meeting is designed to do just that! Come and hear our chairs share about their events and what repertoire we can start NOW with our students.

And who is excited for BRUNCH??? Please bring a dish to share at our Annual August Potluck to follow our general meeting at Kathy Hammer's house.

We have an amazing line up of programs for the year and we look forward to gathering in person for these meetings. **Please note that we will NOT have Zoom available (unless the CDC locks us down again) for meetings.** Chairpersons are encouraged to call in to make announcements if they are unable to make the meeting.

Best Wishes,
Davina Perret

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New FMTA Meeting Location: Our September 15th meeting will be at **The Bridge Church**, 3101 S Kipling St, Lakewood, CO 80227.

SAVE THE DATE:

- Achievement Day - Oct. 23, 2021 @CCU
- Sonatina Festival - March 12, 2022 @CCU

Website Chair Notes: The website is currently being updated for the 2021-22 academic year. **August 30th is the deadline for submitting any additional information that should be included on the website for the upcoming year.** Documents will be uploaded to the website "as is." Please contact Lorian Bartle at 720-353-2902 or info@BartleGuitarStudio.com.

Community Outreach Chair Notes: The End-of Summer recitals have been postponed to Saturday, August 27th, 2022. Time and location TBD next spring. For more information, please contact Lorian Bartle at 720-353-2902 or info@BartleGuitarStudio.com.

FMTA Performance Group 2021-22 Dates and Locations (Hosts)

Meetings are on the second Friday of the month at 10:00 am. Please call the host ahead if you plan to attend.

September 10: Laura Rogers

October 8: Pam Gallo

November 12: Kathy Hammer

FMTA Video Camera: Did you know that FMTA purchased an awesome digital video camera and stand for members to use? Please do not hesitate to contact Carrie Christiansen to reserve the camera!

Contact: carrie.pianoteacher@gmail.com

Suburban Northwest Donation: The Suburban Northwest chapter in Colorado dissolved this Spring and generously donated to FMTA \$5680.00. At our July Board meeting we voted to ear mark their donation specifically to our Scholarship Fund.

Have you ever applied for an MTNA grant? If not, I encourage you to do it!

I was greatly inspired by two presentations in particular at the MTNA 2021 National Conference. The first being “A Hero’s Journey” by Angela Myles Beeching, followed by Brian Chung’s presentation on making music lessons more accessible to everyone. These presentations started a series of events that led to me signing up for a Recreational Music Making Conference in Texas this summer. I had heard about MTNA supplying grants for their members but had never looked into it. I researched the different grants that they offer, applied for a Teacher Enrichment Grant, and was approved for the cost of the conference I will be attending. The process was clear and I’m very grateful that I took advantage of this opportunity that MTNA offers. I encourage you to look at the grants MTNA provides and reap the benefits of your membership to this wonderful national organization. – Carrie Christensen

Do you have an announcement for the monthly newsletter? Please email davina.perret@gmail.com by the first of the month to have it included in the next edition.