
FMTA September Newsletter

September General Meeting

Wednesday, September 15th

9:30-11:30 a.m.

"Creating and Teaching an Effective Group Class"
presented by Aaron Garner

Location:

The Bridge Church, 3101 S Kipling St, Lakewood, CO 80227

A Note from the President

I am pleased to announce that our events and locations have been solidified for this school year! Our Savior's Church has graciously agreed to partner with FMTA and allow us to host our Holiday Benefit Concerts and Winterfest in their building. We are looking forward to Achievement Day in October, which promises to be a great kick-off event for our studios!

We have an amazing line up of programs this year, thanks to FMTA V.P. of Programs Alyssa Alexander. I love our monthly meetings because of the vital peer/colleague support and the continuous education we receive. I hope that you will mark your calendars and plan to be with us each month!

Best Wishes,
Davina Perret

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

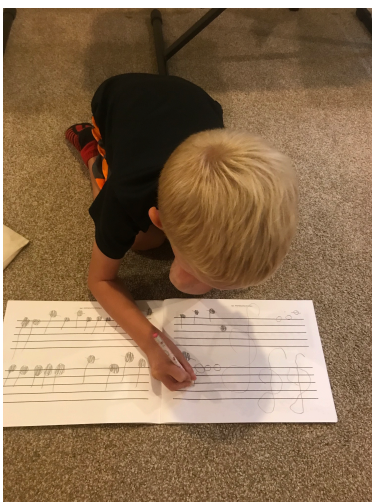
SAVE THE DATE:

- Holiday Benefit Concerts: Saturday, December 4th and Saturday, December 11th @ Our Savior's Church
- Winterfest - Saturday, January 29th @ Our Savior's Church
- Sonatina Festival - Saturday, March 12, 2022 @CCU

Achievement Day, October 23rd @CCU Music Building

Achievement Day is coming up quickly this year! Our registration deadline is September 23rd at midnight. Don't forget it's all online and super easy. Invite all your students to participate, it is the perfect non-competitive event for students of all ages and all abilities. Prepping for a senior recital? Come play at Achievement Day! Just started as a beginner? Come play at Achievement Day! This carnival of events will celebrate all your students' musical growth from this past year. This event is taking place at CCU music school on Saturday October 23, all day. Masks may be worn according to local regulations. If you have any questions or concerns please email or text April Larsen at aprillarsenmusicstudio@gmail.com or 303-862-0860

Click here to be taken to the registration page <http://www.fmtamusic.org/achievement-day/>



Let's do this!!!



Holiday Benefit Concerts are Happening!!

We are so excited to announce that the Holiday Benefit Concerts will be happening at Our Savior's Corner of Hope Church (1975 S. Garrison, Lakewood, 80227) on December 4 and 11.

For those of you not familiar with the Holiday Benefit Concerts, here is how they work:

- Every teacher is invited to sign up for a concert time slot on Dec. 4 or 11.
- The students of that teacher perform their holiday music during that time slot. You are welcome to run it like you would your own studio recital.
- Please inform your families about the scholarship program provided by FMTA. We provide scholarships for seniors going into music as a major/minor in college. Students can receive up to \$1,000 their first year and \$500 for every consecutive year after that. High school students are also eligible to apply for summer camp scholarships that will cover ½ the tuition.
- We are suggesting that each family donates \$10, but any amount of donation is welcome.
- Families can go to FMTAmusic.org to donate through Paypal. They may also write a check or give cash to you as the teacher.
- Any non-electric scholarship donations collected by the teacher must be sent to our treasurer, Elinore Quander. (395 Spring Ranch Dr. Golden, CO 80401)

We will be running the concerts between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on December 4 and 11. Please contact Carrie Christensen (carrie.pianoteacher@gmail.com or 720-635-1178) to sign up for a time slot.

December 4

9:00-10:00 – Kathy Hammer

-All other time slots open

December 11

9:00-9:30 – Carrie Christensen

9:30-11:00 – April Larsen

1:30-3:00 - Davina Perret

3:00-4:00 – Kari Stjernholm

-All other time slots open

Please contact Carrie Christensen or Kari Stjernholm with any questions. Thank you!!

Website Chair Updates

The calendar and other additional website updates will be updated throughout the month of September for the 2021-22 academic year.. Please email Lorian Bartle at info@BartleGuitarStudio.com if you wish to add information to the website this month.

Membership Chair Updates

If you are interested in having your information updated on the "Find a Teacher" list for the FMTA website, please email Robin Braun at robinbraun815@gmail.com by September 15th @ 5 pm. She will update the list following this deadline. Any information received past this deadline will be added to the "Find a Teacher" list after December 31st.

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

PRP – Reading 2021 – 2022

This year's book to discuss will be: **The Art of Successful Teaching: A Blend of Content & Context** by Tim Lautzenheiser ISBN: 941050-29-7 1992
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Location: Home of Arlyce Black, 6708 W. Arbor Dr. Littleton, CO 80123.
November 4, 2021 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Part One: The Art of Teaching

Part Two: It's All in Your Attitude

February 3, 2022 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Part Three: Student Leadership

Part Four: For Band Directors Only

Part Five: Thoughts About Competition

Please contact Arlyce Black to be added to her group email for PRP.
Email: arlyceb@gmail.com

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

SURVEY QUESTION: One of our previous DAMTA guest speakers [Curtis Madigan](#), along with Dr. Robyn Gisbert from the School of Medicine at CU Denver, are conducting research. They have a **VERY quick survey made up of only one question.** They're looking to gather as much data as possible, so your responses are greatly appreciated. If you'd like to know more about what they're working on reach out to: soundformation@gmail.com. Here's the link: https://ucdenver.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3DfRUQRouzYV7bU

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

In Memory:

From Phyllis Pieffer: Helen Knedler, a long time FMTA and CSMTA member, passed away on August 24, 2021. Her obituary will appear in the next few days or so in the Denver Post and in the Golden newspaper so you can get more info. Most recently, she was living with her daughter Anne in Portland, OR. Helen and I were ensemble partners for a number of years and FMTA always held their teachers performance recital at her beautiful Genesee home.