
FMTA November Newsletter

November General Meeting

Wednesday, November 17th, 9:30 a.m.

Program: “Taubman Technique” presented by Brenna Berman

Location:

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

A Note from the President

Greetings!

I am once again so thankful to be a part of FMTA and love when I have a chance to brag on our members.

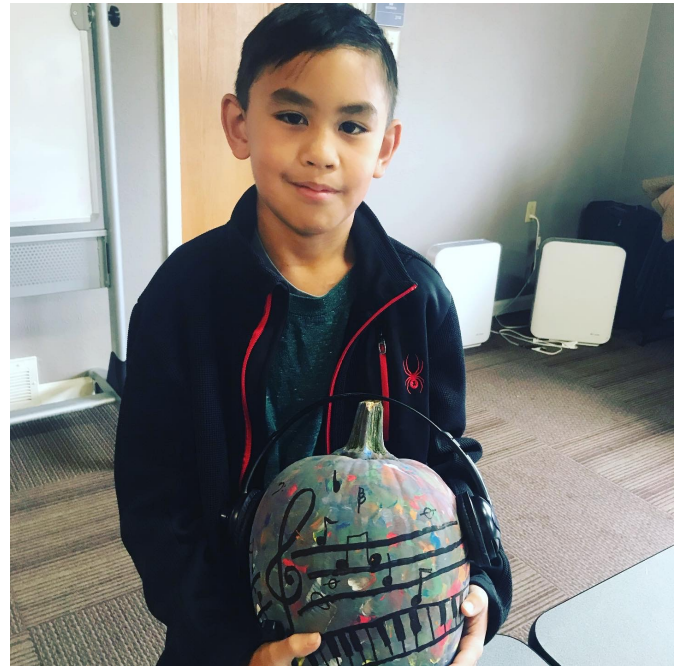
April Larsen, once again, pulled off a seamless Achievement Day! We had 91 students participate, from 11 studios, with several of our own children volunteering. I love Achievement Day, with its laid back vibe and creative outlet for students who need those opportunities to have goals met and a chance to express their artist hearts.

I am also thankful for Alyssa Alexander and her work to bring in amazing program presenters. Jodie Jensen taught us all about “Everyday Composition” for our students last month and introduced many of us to the web-based composition tool of “Noteflight.”

I hope that you will join us at our November Meeting and grow and learn alongside us.

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

Keep reading for all the awesome FMTA opportunities for you and your students!

SAVE THE DATE:

- Winterfest - Saturday, January 29th @ Our Savior's Church
- Sonatina Festival - Saturday, March 12, 2022 @CCU
- CSMTA State Conference - June 3-5, 2022 @ CU Boulder

Holiday Benefit Concerts are Happening Next Month – One Spot Left!!

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 1/2 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

10:00-11:30 – Lorian Bartle

11:30-12:00 – Kathryn Lewis

12:00-12:30 – OPEN

12:30-1:00 – Gloria Apellaniz

2:00-3:00 – Carol Tarr

1:00-2:00 – Thomas Hoops

3:00-4:00 – Sue Brownson

December 11

9:00-9:30 – Carrie Christensen

9:30-11:00 – April Larsen

11:00-12:00 – Elinore Quander

12:00-12:30 – Jonny Sterling

12:30-1:00 – Laura Rogers

1:00-1:30 – Kiersten Olson

1:30-3:00 – Davina Perret

3:00-4:00 – Kari Stjernholm

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

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.

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

MEDIA RELEASE FORM FOR FMTA EVENTS

FMTA teachers who wish to take photos/videos of their students at FMTA student events to post on the FMTA website and Facebook page can access the Colorado State Music Teachers Association "Photo and Video Authorization and Release Form" by clicking: <https://www.fmtamusic.org/student-oppertunities/>

Website Chair Updates

If you are an event chair and have any event changes during the 2021-22 academic year (in-person to remote, cancellation, etc), please email Website chair Lorian Bartle at info@BartleGuitarStudio.com so that the website can be updated promptly.

Looking to take photos of student participants at your FMTA event? The Colorado State Music Teachers Association "Photo and Video Authorization and Release Form" is now located on the "Student Opportunities" page.

Membership Chair Updates

Are you looking for more students??? 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 December 31st. She will update the list following this deadline.

CSMTA Foundation Fellow

The executive board of CSMTA is pleased to announce that Dr. Joan Sawyer is their selection for the 2022 MTNA Foundation Fellow. Joan's contributions to CSMTA and Pikes Peak MTA have impacted so many teachers and students over the years!

To ensure that Dr. Joan Sawyer is our Foundation Fellow for 2022, we need to collectively raise \$1500. You have several ways of doing this:

1. You can send a check to the MTNA Foundation Fund, at 1 W. 4th Street, Suite 1550, Cincinnati, OH 45202 (and make sure you put Dr. Joan Sawyer's name on the memo line.)
2. You can sign in to MTNA on your computer, and find the Foundation Fund, where there is a category for 'Make a Contribution.' Fill out the form, but please make sure that you designate Dr. Joan Sawyer for your contribution.
3. You can go directly to MTNA Foundation Fund in your search engine and find 'Make a Contribution.' Fill out the form, but please designate Dr. Joan Sawyer for your contribution. Thank you, Elinore Quander, NCTM, CSMTA Foundation Fund Chair

FESTIVAL FOR CREATIVE PIANISTS – 2022

<https://www.abundantsilence.org/festival-homepage.html>

During this challenging past year it has been difficult to hold Festivals, Summer Camps and Special Events. This past year we developed the Festival for Creative Pianist as an on-line, interactive learning experience. We were delighted to have students join the festival from across the US: California to North Carolina. We enjoyed participation from Canada, Australia and Russia.

With the experience of this past festival we have enhanced the offerings and are excited to announce that the Festival will run from January 2022 to December 2022. Introductory Festival activities will be available to early registrants in October. The initial OpenLearning activity will be “Getting Started.” This interactive module will introduce the students to how the festival modules will be presented and how to interact with the Teaching Artists. The second module will be “Developing Your Creativity” and will be available the end of November. Early modules are available to help students understand how the Festival is set up in OpenLearning.

Students and teachers are invited to go into our Abundant Silence registration which is now available at: **<https://www.abundantsilence.org/festival-enrollment-information.html>**.

The fee for this exciting yearlong Festival will be \$500. When the application is completed the registration system will send the applicant a Payment Invoice. Payments may be set up monthly, quarterly or a lump sum.

Abundant Silence is setting up a Scholarship Fund for students who need assistance in paying the fee. The scholarship application form is available at: <https://www.abundantsilence.org/festival-scholarship-application.html>. With an enrollment fee of \$500 the scholarships are up to \$400 (the request form indicates \$100, \$250, or \$400). Applications will be reviewed by an Abundant Silence Committee. Scholarships up to \$400 will be awarded to students whose applications are approved.

Teachers are invited to engage with students in this dynamic on-line learning experience.

If there are any questions contact:

Evelyn Billberg, Program Director

Festival for Creative Pianists, Abundant Silence Sponsor

