
FMTA October Newsletter

***General Meeting: Wednesday, October 19
9:30 a.m. General Meeting***

***10:30 a.m. Program: "Training Students and Teachers for
Evaluation" Roundtable Discussion
Led by Helen Gleason***

Location:

**Lakewood School of Music
In the "Notable Apartments"
730 Simms Street, Golden CO 80401**

A Note from the President

Fall is here and that means Achievement Day is right around the corner! AKA Music Field Day!!! The registration deadline is October 12th, all online. This event is for ALL levels-great for beginners and advanced students! Let's have an amazing turnout this year as we support our students and encourage them with loads of ribbons!

Thank you to Alyssa Alexander for persevering with the Internet and projector at our September meeting and helping us connect virtually with Shelle from Let's Play Music. What a great program. Links to her program are posted in this Newsletter. Keep on reading!

I am so thankful for our FMTA members and your dedication to keeping our organization not only running, but thriving. There are many local associations throughout our nation that have suffered severely from COVID and have not regained stability or momentum. But I see how our members band together, work together, and care for one another. I am honored to be your President and look forward to making 2022-23 a great year for FMTA and our students.

All the Best,

Davina Perret

Save the Date:

****Achievement Day:** November 12th.
Location: LDS Chapel, 6465 W. Jewell, Lakewood

Holiday Benefit Concerts: December 3,4,10
@Lakewood School of Music

Winter Festival: January 28, 2023 @ Our Savior's Church

Sonatina Festival: March 11, 2023 @ CCU

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Website Chair Update

The website was updated over the summer for the 2022-23 academic year! Information for the many student and teacher events can be found on the website pages.

Current FMTA members interested in having their info on the Find a Teacher page should send over the following info: (1) Name (2) What You Teach (3) Where You Teach (4) Email (5) Phone Number (6) Your website if you have one. Please send this info to Lorian Bartle at info@BartleGuitarStudio.com. I will update the list at the end of each month when I upload the monthly newsletter to the website.

PRP

For the 2022-23 year we will be reading and discussing the New York Times Bestseller "Moonwalking with Einstein" - The Art and Science of Remembering Everything - by Joshua Foer.

"Joshua Foer proves what few of us are willing to get our heads around: there's more room in our brains than we ever imagined. Moonwalking with Einstein isn't a how-to-guide to remembering a name or where you put your keys. It's a riveting exploration of humankind's centuries-old obsession with memory, and one man's improbable quest to master his own." -- Stefan Fatsis

Dates for book discussions: October 26, 2022 & February 22, 2023 (Wednesdays) 9:30-11:00 a.m. via ZOOM and/or in person at the home of Arlyce Black.

Holiday Benefit Concerts

Spots have opened up for the Holiday Benefit Concerts!! See the schedule below. This year, the concerts will be held on Dec. 3, 4, and 10 at the Lakewood School of Music located at 730 Simms Street, Golden CO 80401.

If you have signed up for a slot, a motion passed at our last meeting to require a \$15 from each teacher to cover costs of tuning the pianos and rental spaces. Thank you for your compliance!

If you are not familiar with FMTA's Holiday Benefit Concerts, here's how they work!

- Each teacher signs up for a recital time for their own studio.
- Teachers run their own studio recital during their signed-up time block.
- Teachers are welcome to collect donations for the FMTA scholarship fund during their recitals. We suggest a \$10 donation/family.
- Donations can be made by cash/check or online on our website at

www.fmtamusic.org.

!!Teachers collect all cash/check donations, make ONE CHECK to FMTA, and mail to our treasurer Elinore Quander at 395 Spring Ranch Dr. Golden, CO 80401!!

Here is the list of sign-ups so far:

Dec. 3

- 9:00-11:00 – OPEN
- 11:00-11:30 – Kathryn Lewis
- 11:30-12:00 – Jonny Sterling
- 12:00-12:30 – Gloria Apellaniz
- 12:30-1:15 – Linda Pott
- 1:15-2:00 – OPEN
- 2:00-3:00 – Thomas Hoops
- 3:00-4:00 – Sue Brownson

Dec. 4

- 9:00-3:00 – OPEN
- 3:00-4:00 – Carol Tarr

Dec. 10

- 9:00-10:00 – Kathy Hammer
- 10:00-12:00 – April Larsen
- 12:00-1:00 – Elinore Quander
- 1:00-2:00 – Carrie Christensen
- 2:00-4:00 – Arlyce Black

Please contact Carrie Christensen (720-635-1178) or Kari Stjernholm (303-718-4005) to sign up for a time. Thank you!!

Sonatina Festival-March 11th @ CCU

Now that the academic year is in full swing, remember that FMTA's annual Sonatina Festival occurs in early spring. NOTE: There have been updates to required repertoire and updates to the standing rules.

Consider repertoire assignments that include works identified on our webpage by following this link that specifies UPDATED repertoire listings: <https://www.fmtamusic.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Repertoire-Sonatina-Festival-2023.pdf>

Plan to review Sonatina Festival guidelines by clicking on this link to the Standing Rules, and note there have been UPDATES: <https://www.fmtamusic.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Standing-Rules-for-Sonatina-Festival-June-2022.pdf>

This year's Festival, March 11, 2023, is scheduled at Colorado Christian University Music Center. Our space has been secured, and a team of experienced judges are waiting to inspire your student performers. As in previous years, registration will occur online via links published on the FMTA webpage. Registration deadline: February 11, 2023.

Teacher registration is located here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeILb4mnDjPHpfivIxxPdXXsgNf5jiTBeDcBsizQhd5gyrrRg/viewform>

Student registration is located here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf-1WI6eRANygNVBTv-pMRxDN9WygHoAusZwrr1hWqphuawnA/viewform>

Mark your calendar to ***complete registration by February 11, 2023***. Let's make this year's Sonatina Festival an exciting and memorable time for us all.

Helen Gleason and Carrie Christensen, Co-Chairs, 2023 Sonatina Festival

Survey Opportunity for PHD Candidate in Piano Pedagogy

My name is Stephanie Archer, and I am a PhD candidate at Florida State University studying piano pedagogy. Please consider participating in my dissertation research regarding how we teach beginning students technique and the impact our teaching practices have on injury prevention. It will only take 10 minutes to complete this questionnaire. If you are a teacher who works with the beginner population (within the first 3 years of study), I would be delighted for you to participate!

Survey Link:

https://fsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7Og8Z89UAIcqCl8

Results will be shared at a later date. Thank you!

Stephanie Archer, NCTM
sarcher2@fsu.edu

Festival for Creative Pianist Updates:

The Festival is now scheduled in quarters:

Fall: September - November

Winter: December - February

Spring: March - May

Summer: June - August

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Enrollment Fee is \$150.

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The next quarter starts June 1, enrollment is now open so early enrollment and would let a student have an additional 2 weeks to learn about the festival and understand how to engage with OpenLearning, our on-line interactive platform.

A scholarship fund is available. Students who qualify would pay a fee of \$45 for this three month engagement with our Teaching Artists. This is equivalent to charges many teachers have for a one-hour lesson.

<https://www.festivalforcreativepianists.org/>

I encourage you to listen to the Festival Highlights 2021. It will help you understand more about the engagement students experience with the Festival Teaching Artists. ~ Evelyn

Let's Play Music (September Program) links:

- Magnet staff boards for teachers and students are found in our webstore under [Teaching Tools](#)
- Tools and info about teaching our graduates is on our [Connections page](#). To get your name on our website so parents can find you, the process is on the same page under "Get Connected with Us"
- The transition guide for teachers accepting our graduates is the [Connections Student Review book](#), which students will have already when they come to you.

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.