FMTA November Newsletter

General Meeting: Wednesday, November 16 9:30 a.m. General Meeting

10:30 a.m. Program: Leila Viss presents "Give your Students a Gift that Will Make them the Life of the Party"

Location:

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

A Note from the President

It takes a village, truly, to keep an organization like FMTA running for almost 50 years. Dedication, commitment, sacrifice, early morning and late night phone calls, endless email threads and of course tears and laughter - this is what keeps the wheels turning and brings us together each month.

And what a fun month we have ahead of us- Achievement Day is next week and we have 120 students participating! Then we will welcome back Leila Viss to our November meeting as she brings all of her contagious enthusiasm and endless expertise.

And before we know it the Holiday Benefit Concerts will be here. There are spots available if you still need an awesome venue for your holiday recitals!!!! It might be the busiest time of the year, but with so many gatherings and events to celebrate our students, isn't it the most rewarding?!?

Thankful for all of you,

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.

<u>PRP</u>

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.

The next date for book discussion: 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 ARE NEXT MONTH!!

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 to require a \$15 from each teacher to cover costs of tuning the pianos and rental spaces. Each teacher participating in this event needs to write a **SEPARATE CHECK to FMTA for \$15** and send it with the donation check to Elinore Quander at the address below. 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 <u>www.fmtamusic.org</u>.

!!Teachers collect all cash/check donations, make ONE DONATION 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 9:00-11:15 – OPEN 11:15-11:30 – 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 – Arlvce 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

In the spirit of Hallowe'en just past, consider this scary thought: just a month after Christmas, FMTA Sonatina Festival registrations are due on February 11!

Don't be spooked....there's nothing mysterious....no tricks will come your way. Registration is easy! But Beware! You must Prepare!

Go to <u>fmtamusic.com</u> and click on Student Opportunities. Scroll down to the Blue tabs to find Teacher Registration, Student Registration, Standing Rules and Repertoire List.

**Please check attached file to Davina's email for actual links!!!!

Look forward to a memorable Sonatina Festival filled with your gifted students, our six wonderful listeners, brand new certificates, and shiny trophies plus two afternoon recitals for family and friends all at Colorado Christian University's School of Music on March 12.

If any of this seems frightening, calm down and contact Helen Gleason (615-533-5529) or Carrie Christensen (720-635-1178), Co-Chairs, 2023 Sonatina Festival

Festival for Creative Pianist Updates:

The Festival is now scheduled in quarters: *Winter:* December - February *Spring:* March - May *Summer:* June - August Enrollment Fee is \$150.

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. \sim Evelyn

Do you have an announcement for the monthly newsletter? Please email <u>davina.perret@gmail.com</u> by the first of the month to have it included it the next month's newsletter.