
FMTA September Newsletter

Our Next Meeting is

Wednesday, September 20th

9:30 a.m.-General Meeting

10:30 a.m.- Technology in the Music Studio

Presenter: Ben Raznick

*****NEW (really old!) LOCATION!!!**

Location: Our Savior's Church

1975 S. Garrison St.

Lakewood, CO 80227

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, Nov. 4th: Achievement Day @ CCU

Saturday, Dec. 2nd: Holiday Benefit Recitals @ Southwest Plaza Mall

Saturday, Jan. 27th: Winter Festival @ Our Savior's Church

Saturday, March 9th: Sonatina Festival @ CCU

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 month's newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board proposed the following Amendments to the Standing Rules for Sonatina Festival and Winter Festival. The motions will be voted on at the September 20 meeting.

Sonatina Rule #19 Amendment Aug. 20, 2023

Each entrant shall receive a written critique, a rating of Superior, Excellent, or Good and a Certificate of Participation. In each class, three winners and up to two Honorable Mentions may be awarded by the judges. In classes I-V, three winners are chosen, each receiving a Winner's Certificate and trophy. In Class VI, up to three winners are chosen and rated 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place. Each Class VI winner receives a trophy and may receive a cash award. Amount of cash award is **predetermined** by the FMTA board. In all class levels, the judge decides, at his/her discretion, whether winners, including number of winners, are declared. Decision of judges is final.

Winter Festival Rule #2 Insertion

RULE 2: On the occasion that the Winter Festival theme is an ensemble event involving professional, outside musicians, students must be Level 3 and above to participate.

Music for ensemble events does not require memorization.

Holiday Benefit Recitals @ Southwest Plaza-Saturday, Dec. 2nd.

We have a few spots left to fill! Sign up for 15, 30, 45 or 60 minute time spots. Contact Davina to sign up. davina.perret@gmail.com

Sonatina Festival-March 9, 2024

The Repertoire list has been updated and uploaded on to the website. Please double check with the list before assigning pieces to students for this event.
<https://www.fmtamusic.org/sonatina-festival/>

Website:

We are updating the "Find A Teacher" directory on the FMTA website. Please click on the link provided to see if you are in the directory.

<https://www.fmtamusic.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/FMTA-Public-Directory-2022-23.pdf>

Email Carrie at carrie.pianoteacher@gmail.com ASAP if you:

- *Want to be removed from the list
- * Need to change information on the list
- *Want to be added to the list

Website Update: April Larsen is taking over the website updates and upkeep. Please contact her at aprillarsenmusicstudio@gmail.com with information to be posted on the website for the upcoming 2023-24 academic year.

FMTA Performance Group Schedule 2023-2024

All groups meet the 2nd Friday of the month at 10:00 AM.

Please let the host know if you plan to attend.

September 8 Laura Rogers 303-706-9079

October 13 Betty Witt 303-456-7483

November 10 Kathy Hammer 303-988-9565

December/January No meetings

February 9 Laura Rogers 303-706-9079

March 8 Betty Witt 303-456-7483

April 12 Kathy Hammer 303-988-9565

May 10 TBD

PRP Reading Program:

Our next book for the 2023-24 year will be *Atomic Habits*, by James Clear.

ATOMIC HABITS: An Easy and Proven Way to Build Good Habits and Break Bad Ones by James Clear Avery ISBNB 9780735211292 Copy write 2018

To read this book: 5 hours and 20 min on average

HOW this book will benefit you: **“to write a great book, you must first become the book.”**

Every habit you have — good or bad — follows the same 3–step pattern.

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- Reminder (the trigger that initiates the behavior)
 - Routine (the behavior itself; the action you take)
 - Reward (the benefit you gain from doing the behavior)

Success is not a goal to reach or a finish line to cross. It is a system to improve, an endless process to refine. “If you’re having trouble changing your habits, the problem isn’t you. The problem is your system.”

- **Make it obvious**
- **Make it attractive**
- **Make it easy**
- **Make it satisfying.**

The secret to getting results that last is to never stop making improvements. It’s remarkable what you can build if you just don’t stop. It’s remarkable the business you can build if you don’t stop working. It’s remarkable the body you can build if you don’t stop training. It’s remarkable the knowledge you can build if you don’t stop learning. It’s remarkable the fortune you can build if you don’t stop saving. It’s remarkable the friendships you can build if you don’t stop caring. Small habits don’t add up. They compound.

Arlyce Black
(Thurs.)

Books Discussions: October 26, 2023

6708 W. Arbor Drive, Littleton, CO 80123

Community

**A FREE Marvin Blickenstaff Masterclass & Workshop sponsored by the Frances Clark Center
Hosted by Dr. Emily McGree and the DU Lamont Piano Preparatory Program**

Venue: University of Denver, Hamilton Recital Hall

Date: Saturday, October 14th, 2023

Time: 2:30PM - 5:30PM

There will be a reception for Meet & Greet after the masterclass and workshop with Marvin.