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JANUARY MEETING

Join us on Wednesday, January 11 at 9:45 am at the Municipal Arts Center for the first program of our new year! Dr. Haroutounian of Northern Virginia will give a program called On Judging: Giving And Receiving Constructive Criticism. I urge all teachers who are involved in the CMTA Festival on February 18 to attend. This will be an excellent chance to explore what it means to be an adjudicator of music students and how we as judges and teachers can improve our critiquing skills and better serve our students.

SAVE THE DATE: CMTA THEORY OLYMPICS

Saturday, March 25, 2017

Mark your calendars for the 2017 CMTA Music Theory Olympics! This action packed event will take place on Saturday, March 25 at the Charlottesville Municipal Arts Center. Check-in and registration starts at 9am. The opening ceremonies will begin at 9:30am. Join us for a morning of music, games, fun, and prizes! Please feel free to contact Megan Gray via email with any additional questions.

Venue Address:

1119 5th St SW, Charlottesville, VA 22902

Megan Gray: meggray16@gmail.com

THE ADULT RECITAL

This recital is an opportunity for adult students of CMTA members to perform in a mutually supportive environment (without young hotshots!). It is open to solo performers and ensembles, including organ. We do encourage student collaboration/accompanying.

Chair: Melody Day (434 – 906 - 3919) melody@daysongstudio.com

Date/Time: Friday, February 10, 2017; 7:00 p.m..

Place: Aldersgate United Methodist Church Sanctuary, 1500 East Rio Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901. Recital in Sanctuary;

Reception in Reed Room (participating teachers contribute to reception items.)
Eligibility: Any adult student(s) of any CMTA member.
Fee: None!

Deadline/Applications: Friday, February 3, 2017, 11:59 pm EST. When applying please provide student name and instrument, title and citation of work(s) to be performed, composer's name & dates, & length/time of selection. Submissions go to the Chair via email & USPS (924 Royer Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22902).

Unfortunately Pat Davis will not be able to accompany our students, so she (and I) ask that teachers please find their own accompanists; however her student Ann Etchison may be available. If a teacher would like to assist us, we would be most grateful.

Message from Michele Carragan

The WMC Competition is Saturday, January 28th and the deadline for application is January 6th. Also, if anyone else is interested in Music Learning Community computer games for their students, please let me know. There's only a few slots left for this year.

Thanks!
Michele

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear CMTA Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed some relaxed vacation time with friends and family. I certainly enjoyed a few days free of responsibilities.

Back in October, we took a few moments during our group discussion to talk about the recent move by Albemarle County to collect "back taxes" from a variety of folks, including private music teachers. As I've talked to more independent music teachers about this issue, I'm convinced that our local officials don't really know much about the "small businesses" they are taxing, and that their method of taxation and regulation isn't very fair. I'm hoping to do more research, have more conversations with local teachers, and then engage with our local officials to see what changes can be made. I know many of you live in the city and aren't having these issues, but if you're in the county and interested in being part of this process, please let me know.



All the best,

David McCormick