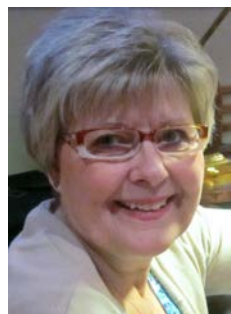


President's Corner



How is it we have come to the end of another teaching year? The pages of the calendar flip forward so fast! And yet each square on the calendar page is packed with such detail. Teaching each

student with carefully planned lessons, practicing for our own solo performances or church work or ensemble work, scheduling, communicating to parents....don't we all wear a lot of different hats?

And besides our own private studio businesses, many of us are also involved in our professional organization, which is so dear to us and which benefits us in so many ways! To quote a note I received from WSMTA treasurer Patti Robertson, NCTM, "Much, if not all, of what I am as a teacher and pianist I owe to my Chapter, to WSMTA and MTNA." That sentence expresses appreciation for a vital, active, living group of teachers who seek the best for themselves and their students! Our involvement and service to our professional organization (WSMTA) helps to identify who we are as professionals!

As I look at the calendar pages of WSMTA, I am amazed at what a full calendar we have had! We have provided Adjudications and Musicianship Examinations for thousands of students, we have awarded small chapter grants, and we've given money in travel grants for our students in competitions, and in student grants for lessons and music camps. We have provided programs that encourage students to compose and perform, and programs that encourage teachers to continue their education. We have met as a Board of Directors to plan and chart our course for the future. We have worked to develop a new website

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BRAVO!

Congratulations to 2015 Foundation Fellow Nominees!

As we celebrate Patti Robertson and Margee Webster as our 2014 MTNA Foundation Fellows, we look ahead to 2015.

The WSMTA Education Board and Board of Directors have nominated Dr. Gerald Berthiaume, Washington State University, and Robin Chadwick, Chehalis, as MTNA Foundation Fellows for 2015 (when we will be celebrating in Las Vegas!).

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Honorary Lifetime Membership Awarded to Dianne Johnston

Congratulations to our own very dear Dianne Johnston, WSCMTM, who was nominated and approved by your Board of Directors to receive this year's Honorary Lifetime Membership Award!

Dianne will accept her award at the Banquet at the "Inland Intermezzo Conference 2014" at Eastern Washington University in June. Come to celebrate with Dianne and offer her your good wishes!

*Laurie Eash, NCTM
WSMTA President*

Chapter Musicianship Exams High Honors

Clark County

Teacher: Student (level)

Cinda Redman: Joy Yuzuriha (6), Aaron Sung (2), Abby Jiang (5), Alex Lee (5), Anabel Jiang (2), Athena Tsai (6), Phillip Meng (5), Runzhi Zhou (2), Timothy Huang (3), Wynston Hsu (4).

Ellen Putman: Steven Wu (7).

Lena Nikulin: Eli Tkachev (1), Nancy Supin (1), Emily Gafurov (4), David Yelchaninov (7), Elisey Goncharuk (1), Evgeniy Dorokhov (7), Ira Shishko (3), Lauren Varney (7), Nikita Fomichenko (1), Philip Fomichenko (1), Tanya Bogdanov (4).

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Coming Events

WSMTA Conference 2014

June 22 - 26

Eastern Washington University

"Inland Intermezzo"

Dr. Catherine Kautsky



❖ Important update ❖

Conference Guest Artist Change

Some of you may have already heard that the wonderful conference guest artist we were planning to have, Dr. Theresa Bogard, has experienced a very serious health setback, and had to cancel her appearance at our conference. We wish her the very best and hope that her health will improve soon!

Thanks to the power of group brainstorming, we were able to secure the appearance of Catherine Kautsky as our conference artist, and we count ourselves very lucky that she was available. Dr. Kautsky has made several previous appearances in the Northwest as a guest artist at the Portland International Piano Festival, and also as an adjudicator for the Spokane MusicFest Northwest. Many of us have also seen her as a presenter at national conferences of MTNA, notable at New York in 2012 and this March, in Chicago.

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Welcome New Members!

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Erica Lee

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Akiko Kojika
Thom Stuart

Kitsap County Chapter

Eric Rumsey

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President's Corner

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that will accommodate our future needs. These things only happen with the dedicated volunteer work of so many of you! I am so thankful for your time and commitment, and I'm thankful that we all share these common goals!

WSMTA also provides various ways to honor one another in our work as music teachers. One is by nominating deserving colleagues for the "Hall of Fame" designation. Another way is for chapters to apply for the "Chapter of the Year" designation. In my Chapter visits all across the state, I have been introduced to many stellar teachers, and many amazing Chapters who would qualify for these honors! Even though this year we received no nominations or applications for these honors, I would like to remind you that these are available, and the "Chapter of the Year" award is \$300.00! I encourage you all to look around in your local membership. You won't have to look far to find a worthy candidate for the "Hall of Fame" award. And, if you are proud of the many areas in which your chapter provides educational opportunities for teachers and students, consider applying for "Chapter of the Year"! Information for these Awards can be found on our web site, wsmta.org.

I am so happy that you have been reading about the 2014 Conference "Inland Intermezzo" all year in *The CLARION*. Barbara Heckenlively and her committee from the Spokane Chapter have been working very hard for many months to provide a terrific conference for you! I heartily encourage you to attend! The price is right, the location is wonderful, (we're even working on providing excellent weather for you!!) and the sessions look to be very exciting. You can look forward to a wonderful session on Debussy and a recital and master classes from the highly acclaimed Catherine Kautsky, who presented at the MTNA conference in Chicago last March. Again, go to wsmta.org to find detailed information.

Out and about... I recently visited the lovely **Lynden Chapter**, where they begin their meetings with a nice lunch! This chapter and their students provide music

at two area Craft Fairs each year. One of their recent highlights was Finnish guest artist Ruusamari Teppo, who is a direct descendant of Jean Sebelius and performed an unpublished work of Sebelius! Next, I visited **Clark County Chapter** in Vancouver, WA. Here, I learned of their upcoming Romantic-20th Century Festival, where a group of students perform works from those musical periods for an adjudicator. Medals and trophies are awarded. And the last visit this year has been to **Walla Walla Chapter**. This wonderful group actively supports 18 Musiclink students. This year they have moved 7 pianos into homes, and the Walla Walla Symphony donates tickets to each student and an adult to attend a concert! This Chapter is making a positive difference in their community!

As you peruse your calendar of events in the past teaching year, congratulate yourself for a job well done! Enjoy the memories of the many opportunities you provided for your students, and don't forget to pencil in lots of time for rest and recreation over the summer months!

Laurie Eash, NCTM
WSMTA President

Coming Events

Conference (Continued from Page 1)

Dr. Kautsky will be performing in a lecture/recital on Tuesday evening, June 24th, and her presentation on Thursday, June 26th will be titled "Clowns, Colonies and Cakewalks - Debussy in fin de siecle Paris". This presentation will put Debussy's music in its historical context with lots of suggestions on how to get students involved and excited about playing music which came out of a particular place, time, and culture. She will also give two masterclasses on Wednesday, June 25th - one in the morning and the other in the late afternoon.

About Dr. Kautsky:

Catherine Kautsky, Professor of Music and Chair of the Keyboard Dept. at Lawrence University Conservatory of Music in Appleton, WI, has concertized throughout the United States and abroad as a recitalist, soloist with orchestra, and chamber musician, appearing in venues such as Alice Tully Hall and Carnegie Recital Hall in New York, Jordan Hall and the Gardner Museum in Boston, the Phillips Collection in Washington D.C., and the Cultural Center in Chicago. She has

soloed with the St. Louis Symphony, Milwaukee Chamber Orchestra, and Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, performed chamber music at the Aspen, Tanglewood, and Grand Teton summer music festivals, and appeared frequently on the radio in Chicago, New York, Washington D.C., St. Louis, Pittsburgh, and Madison, often providing conversational commentary on music she performs. While serving on the piano faculty at UW-Madison, she was awarded the prestigious Arts Institute Creative Arts Award for her work connecting music with other disciplines, particularly literature. Ms. Kautsky has traveled widely, performing frequently in France and England, and presenting concerts and classes recently in China, Korea, Brazil, and South Africa. Her articles have appeared in such journals as *Clavier*, *American Music Teacher*, and *International Piano*, and she is a frequent presenter at national conferences including MTNA and NCKP. Her CD of three pieces for piano and narrator, in which she both performs and speaks, was issued by Vox Classics, and her CD of the Debussy *Preludes* has just appeared under the Centaur label. She is currently also engaged with a book project on the genesis of Debussy's piano music and his role in early 20th century Paris.

Ms. Kautsky's recent performances have often centered around social or literary themes, locating musical masterpieces in their historical moment. She has presented lecture-recitals on such topics as the music of the Holocaust, French music and World War I, and Schumann and the writings of ETA Hoffmann. Her repertoire runs the gamut from Bach to Rzewski and Crumb, with a special emphasis on French music and the music of the first Viennese school.

Ms. Kautsky holds a bachelor's degree from the New England Conservatory, a master's degree from the Juilliard School, where she studied under Martin Canin, and a doctoral degree in performance from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, where she studied under Gilbert Kalish. Following her New York debut, the New York Times called her "a pianist who can play Mozart and Schubert as though their sentiments and habits of speech coincided exactly with hers...She gave these pieces nuances that made them meaningful on a human everyday level. The music spoke directly to the listener, with neither obfuscation nor pretense."

More about Conference . . .

Housing

The Holiday Inn of Cheney has sold out the block of rooms designated for a special WSM TA rate, although you might find accommodation there at a different rate. Other suggestions, if you're still in need of accommodations, include (in order of distance from Cheney), the Super 8 (509) 838-8800, the Best Western "Peppertree" (800) 780-7234, and the Airport Ramada Inn (800) 922-5548. There is also a small motel in Cheney proper called the Willow Springs Inn. One side of it faces a railroad, so it might not be the quietest place, but it is very, very close to the EWU campus. The number there is (509) 235-5138

We look forward to seeing you in Cheney in just a little over 3 weeks!

Thanks!

*Greg Presley, NCTM
Publicity Chair*

Scholarship fund

It's Raffle/Silent Auction Time Again!!!

The State Conference in Cheney is coming up very soon. I'm looking forward to meeting all WSM TA members "old" and "new". Chapters and members are invited to bring raffle and/or silent auction items for our daily raffle fun. It's an event not to be missed. Every year our generous members outdo themselves with ever enticing items to choose from. I thank you all in advance as do the students who receive funds from the scholarship account.

*Cinda Redman, NCTM
Scholarship Chair*

**WMEA Clock hours
are available for
WMEA members attending
the WSM TA Conference**

WSM TA Slate of Officer Nominees 2014 - 2016 Term

Thank you to the following members who have accepted the nomination to the following offices:

Treasurer	Patti Robertson, NCTM
District I	Allan Park, NCTM
District III	Mary Grant, NCTM
District V	Doreen Slaugh, NCTM
District VII	Carolyn Stuart, NCTM

These individuals will be officially placed in nomination at the Opening Session of the WSM TA Conference on June 23 and will be voted on at the Closing Session, June 26, 2014. We are very appreciative to the above members for their willingness to serve in these leadership roles.

By Appointment:

Vice President 2014 - 15 Krista Seely

Respectfully submitted by,

*Onnie Adams
Nominating Committee Chair*

MTNA News

Collegiate Chapter at National Conference!



WSU: Esther Hayter, Carlie Berry, George Fricks
U of I: Erik Jansen

Awards . . .

Recognition of 50-Year MTNA Member

Marilyn Brossard, NCTM & Carolyn B. Malnes

Leadership Service Recognition for MTNA

Peter Mack, NCTM, Conference Planning Committee Chair

Congratulations !! Jani Peterson, NCTM being installed as your MTNA Northwest Director



*Dave French, NCTM, Out going NW Director
Jani Peterson, NCTM, NW Director
Christopher Hahn, NCTM, NW Director-elect*

Congratulations to Foundation Fellow Nominees!

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As you know, these honors become realities because of your generosity in contributing to the MTNA Foundation. We need to raise \$1,000 for each nominee. The easiest way to contribute is at the time of membership dues renewal. There is a spot (online, and snail mail) for including a contribution to the MTNA Foundation (the very valuable charitable arm of MTNA that funds student competitions, student travel, teacher enrichment, and many other awards.) If/when you contribute to the MTNA Foundation, please specify one (or both) of our MTNA Foundation Fellow nominees, and the credit will go to that account (although the monies are deposited in the general fund.)

Thank you.

*Robin Chadwick, NCTM
MTNA Foundation Chair for WSMTA*



*Dr. Gerald Berthiaume, Professor of Music
Washington State University*

Gerald Berthiaume joined the Washington State Music Teachers Association and Music Teachers National Association in 1989. As an MTNA Nationally Certified Teacher, he has adjudicated every year for the past 25 years in nearly every chapter of Washington state. He has served as Chair of the WSMTA Education Board, chaired the State Convention at Washington State University, and judged the WSMTA/MTNA State Piano Competition. He has presented lectures, masterclasses and given performances for several WSMTA state conventions. His Washington State University students have taken first place in the MTNA/WSMTA Collegiate Piano

Competition (2013) and the Collegiate Chamber Music Competition (2003), the latter receiving a Third Place award at the National Competition in Salt Lake City. Berthiaume has presented and performed at two MTNA National Conventions. At the 1991 convention in Miami, he performed on concerts honoring Robert Muczynski, performing the "Time Pieces" with clarinetist, H. James Schoepflin. At the 1992 convention in Milwaukee, he lectured and performed music of Robert Starer and Vincent Persichetti in a program entitled "20th Century Music for 20th Century Teens." He has presented programs on Debussy for WSMTA District Conferences and given workshops on numerous topics for the Everett/Snohomish Young Artist Master Series.

Dr. Gerald Berthiaume is Professor of Music at WSU where he has taught since 1989 and served as Director of the School from 2003 to 2011. He formerly taught at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas. At WSU, Berthiaume teaches studio piano lessons to undergraduate and graduate majors, coaches chamber music groups and serves on committees for the School of Music, the College of Arts and Sciences, and the Honors College. In the past, he has taught piano literature, piano pedagogy, accompanying, and directed the Piano Pedagogy Lab School. He founded the Summer Keyboard Explorations piano camp which is now in its 25th year. In 2012, he received the College of Liberal Arts award for "Outstanding Achievement Across All Missions of the College."

Berthiaume has performed as soloist, accompanist and chamber musician in the United States, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, and Ukraine. In 1993, he was a winner in the United States Information Agency "Artistic Ambassador Competition" held at Stanford University. As a result, he toured the Middle East presenting concerts at U.S. embassies and consulates, as well as for international schools and on television.

Berthiaume has also given lectures and performances at national conventions of the College Music Society in Chicago and Portland, for the Music Educators National Conference in San Antonio, for the Percussive Arts Society in San Antonio, for the Society of Composers in Greensboro, North Carolina, and the Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities in Honolulu. He has also performed for the Festival of New Music

in Munich, Germany, for SCI conferences in South Carolina and Montana, and the Tutti New Music Festival in Ohio.

He has performed, in festivals and conferences, new music composed by many composers of our day: Tania Leon, John Corigliano, Stephen Michael Gryc, Chen Yi, Donald Freund, Jan Krzywicki, Martin Rokeach, Libby Larsen, Chinary Ung, Brent Pierce, James Mobberley, William Kraft, Jeffrey Hass, Elliott Schwartz, Gregory Yasinitsky, Charles Argersinger, and Lothar Kreck. He has also served as accompanist for William Walker and Gail Robinson of the Metropolitan Opera and for James King of the Vienna State Opera.

Solo and chamber music performances by Berthiaume can be heard on the following labels: Albany Records, Vienna Modern Masters, Advance Music, and Arizona University. Berthiaume's solo CD ("Excursions for a Pianist") featuring the piano works of the late Robert Starer are on the Albany Records label "Troy 205." His solo piano performance of Charles Argersinger's "Dream Sequence" can be heard on the Arizona University Recording label "AUR 5060" and his recording of Argersinger's "...between Scylla and Charybdis" is on "AUR 9301. A new solo CD will be released this spring featuring works of Gregory Yasinitsky, and the late Charles Argersinger and Jerry Bailey.



*Robin Chadwick, NCTM
MTNA Foundation*

Robin Chadwick, NCTM, is a graduate of the Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan and the Mannes College of Music in New York. She earned her Master of Music degree in piano performance at Southern Illinois University, where she studied with Ruth Slenczynska. Other notable teachers included Berthe Poncy Jacobson in Seattle and Nadia Reisenberg in New York. She has performed as a soloist throughout the United States,

including performances with the Seattle Symphony, the Cascade Symphony, the Stamford Symphony (Connecticut) and others. She has taught piano and music theory at McKendree University in Lebanon, Illinois and at St. Martin's University in Olympia, Washington. She taught piano privately in her home in Chehalis, Washington for many years, and is active in the Washington State Music Teachers Association as a clinician and adjudicator. She has adjudicated in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Illinois, Connecticut, Idaho, and Georgia, and her students have won numerous honors. She has served as an MTNA competition judge for Washington, Oregon, Idaho and the Northwest Division.

On the state level she has served WSM-TA as District IV vice-president, certification chair, new music review, MTNA Foundation chair, Chapter of the Year committee and Education Board chair. She was inducted into the WSM-TA Hall of Fame in June, 2013.

Nationally she has served on the Teacher of the Year committee, and the Development committee. She is a member of the Legacy Society of the MTNA Foundation.

Robin Chadwick was a charter member of the Lewis County Chapter of WSM-TA in 1978. She has also promoted music in the community by teaching piano teachers and piano pedagogy.

Robin Chadwick has performed duo-piano concerts with Lynn Lewis of Olympia, Washington for more than 25 years. Lewis and Chadwick have performed together throughout the Northwest with numerous concerts at the Governor's Mansion in Olympia, The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Willamette University in Salem, Oregon (with the Salem Chamber Orchestra), the historic Elsinore Theatre in Salem, Oregon, Sherman Clay in Seattle, Centralia College, Walla Walla College, and Washington State Music Teachers Association conferences in Everett and Tacoma.

Robin has two grown children and six grandchildren. She loves to travel and is busier than ever in retirement.

Education

CERTIFICATION CORNER

I am so excited to be attending the WSM-TA Conference again this year! Thank you in advance to all the WSM-TA members who are working hard to make it happen!!!

At the opening session on Monday morning June 23, we will recognize 9 newly certified colleagues who have received NCTM since last conference including Jeanne Ellis, NCTM (Seattle, Eastside), Meg Mann, NCTM (Eastside) and Sterling Picard, NCTM (Tacoma) recently certified in piano. If you have been considering certification these members can inspire you to begin, continue and complete the process.

For those of you who are thinking about or are already working on certification, please join me at the Certification Workshop on Tuesday June 24 at 8:30 am. Details of the certification process and answers to your specific questions will be available. We will explore how you can achieve certification by this time next year with a step by step process In "Getting Started—MTNA Certification 101".

If you are serving as your chapter's certification chair please join me on Tuesday June 24th for our annual lunch time meeting. We'll review important leadership information and answer questions or concerns that you may have as you provide a contact point for all things certification in your local chapter. And I can thank you in person for this important contribution you make to your chapter and WSM-TA!

And finally, an important reminder to all NCTM members: your renewal deadline is now here. NCTM renewal is easily accomplished online. Visit www.mtna.org and click on MTNA certification and then follow the link for renewal. You should have received a reminder from MTNA about renewal.

As always, if you have certification questions don't hesitate to email or call me...

Looking forward to seeing you soon—in Cheney!

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MTNA Foundation News

As always, the MTNA Foundation appreciates your donations! Thanks to those who gave during the 4th quarter of 2013: Debra Florian, Toni Lanlainais, Angela Michael, Judith Price, Joann Richardson, Judith Schoepflin, and Calvin Halterman.

Your donations make it possible for the MTNA Foundation to continue the wonderful programs that benefit students and teachers.

If every WSM-TA member would donate the amount of just ONE HOUR of teaching each year, it would do a great deal to increase the WSM-TA donation to the Foundation.

Thank you!

Robin Chadwick, NCTM
WSMTA MTNA Foundation Chair

Program Reports

Musicianship Exams for Strings! *Pilot Program by Jane Melin*

(continued from the Feb. CLARION)

"Level" criteria are taken from the American String Teachers Association Certificate Advancement Program (ASTACAP) 10-level technique and repertoire syllabus. A Musicianship Exam Curriculum Guide for strings/violin has been prepared to describe the skills and theory knowledge that will be needed for students to successfully complete each level's exams. It is posted on the KMTA website on the Member Resources page, as well as the ASTACAP syllabus. If in doubt, sign your student up for a lower level than they are currently playing at. Contact me if you have specific questions about the material to be covered in the exams.

Jane Melin, NCTM
WSMTA Strings Chair

ETHICS CORNER

Pick Up the Phone

You're in the middle of a new-student audition... when you suddenly find out the little angel on the bench is still taking lessons with another teacher; who lives 3 minutes from you; who is in your chapter.

Let's just call this "a defining moment" for you as a professional music teacher. So what to do? There are countless unique situations and we all have our individual responses, but here are some *general* thoughts to consider.

Tell the parent that, as a professional courtesy, you often call the current teacher before accepting a student. And you also do this because the other local teachers usually aren't strangers—they're your friends and fellow-teachers! *Then ask the parent if they'd be okay with you contacting their teacher after the audition.* Then brace yourself for whatever the parent says next. :-) Their answer will shed great light on the audition! Let's assume they're simply "dissatisfied" and looking for a new teacher.

Handling their response at this point is not the focus of this article. I'd instead like to look at *making that not-so-easy phone call to their current (or past) teacher.* It's one of the harder and more "awkward" steps I've had to take over the past twenty years, but it's surprisingly *one of the best steps I've taken!*

Not every audition necessarily needs a follow-up call to the prior teacher, but for the many that do, here are some things you might include in the call. 1) Confirm that they are aware of the audition—or at least the fact that the student is looking for another teacher. 2) Affirm your respect for the teacher and your desire to make sure you maintain a good relationship with them and all the other local teachers—*because you know exactly what it's like* to have students go to another teacher! [At that point you will hear the "wall" come crashing down between you and the teacher.] 3) Ask if the family is on "reasonably good terms" with them. Before the teacher can answer, also state that you're not expecting them to go into great detail or share anything personal. You're just checking to see if there is anything you should know on a *professional level*.

[Note: how we handle what comes next speaks much to our own character. Professionalism, respect for all parties involved, and *The Golden Rule* go a long way in making this a positive communication.]

How you then continue and wrap up the call will vary from situation to situation. The point today is to recognize the incredible value of making this highly respectful and professional call. I can't think of a time that I didn't hang up and think to myself, "Whew! I'm SO glad I did that!" It "clears the air," relieves tension between you and your fellow teacher, adds insight to the audition, etc. Rest assured—every good teacher will genuinely appreciate and respect you for reaching out to them. Not only that, I also can't think of a time I didn't walk away with great respect for how the *other teacher* so graciously received the call. It was a win-win. So next time you audition a "disgruntled" student, don't hesitate to pick up the phone.

Chris Rogers, Ethics Chair

NEW MUSIC

New Issues

The yearly MTNA Conference is an excellent resource for new materials, products, and publications. The 2014 Chicago MTNA Conference was no exception. There were 8 different showcases of new materials and products, presented each day for three days, plus the Exhibit Hall of over 70 publishers and companies. That alone is an exceptional reason to attend the National Conference! Most publishers give out a free copy or two to each showcase attendee and offer large discounts on other purchases. There is no better way to see and hear about new materials.

That being said, let me point out several new issues that were particularly interesting.

Ginastera Suite de danzas criollas and Rondo sobre temas infantiles argentinas: edited and recorded by Michael Mizrahi, published by Boosey and Hawkes, and distributed by Hal Leonard Corporation.

Many of us are fascinated by the music of Ginastera. This is an exceptional edition with a companion performance online for download or streaming of these two works. It includes very thorough remarks for interpretation and

performance on Ginastera's music as a whole and on these two pieces in particular.

Chopin PWM National Edition, Complete Urtext Edition: distributed by Hal Leonard Corporation.

Jan Ekier and Pawel Kaminski, editors of the PWM Edition, write, "The National Edition is just the Urtext edition of all Chopin's works, prepared by means of the most modern scientific methods on the basis of all the available sources. ..The variants of the authentic variations of the text, given in the National Edition, are an evident manifestation of that wealth of invention. This varying quality constitutes one of the fundamental characteristics of Chopin's creative thinking; therefore, an edition without variants would give an abridged and impoverished image of his work."

Jeremy Siskind Double Agents! Piano Duets, and Conga Lion (early intermediate solo), and Basic Skills for the Jazz Band Pianist: Hal Leonard Corporation.

Jeremy Siskind is a new composer for Hal Leonard Corporation who is bringing a fresh new sound to teaching materials, especially for boys. **Double Agents** provides equal difficulty parts for Primo and Secondo, Intermediate level students. "**Conga Lion**" uses a compelling left hand rhythmic ostinato figure to define the Lion and give demanding energy to this piece. He provides a much needed resource for teachers in **Basic Skills for the Jazz Band Pianist**, especially in the area of comping.

Philip Keveran Star Wars Piano Duets and The Sound of Music Piano Solos: Hal Leonard Corporation.

Philip Keveran is a favorite composer/arranger. These arrangements provide wonderful recreational music making materials for adult learners in the studio. The duets are also excellent arrangements for boys and Star Wars lovers.

Phyllis Pieffer, NCTM
New Music Chair

Chapter Musicianship Exams High Honors

Enumclaw

Teacher: Student (level)

Shala Gunnells: Autumn Minnis (1), Nick Hoyer (2), Isabella Hoyer (2), Cedric Ho (2).

Jacki Gore: Timor Kertson (3).

Luanne Kauppila: Lilly Akins (2), Raylena Stahlecker (2), Krista Allen (2), Brookelyn Jewett (2).

Kitsap County

Teacher: Student (level)

Susan Cleaver: Lizzy Church (2)

Georgene Corey: Aiden Clegg (2), Kylee Hutchinson (4), Elsa Knowlton (4)

Leslie Devine: Annie Peterson (2), Ellie Peterson (4), Makenna Wallwork (2)

Debra Florian: Makena Bates (7), Jimmy Church (5), Sydnee Hogan (1), Grace Hoyle (2), Christina Lara (6), Jack Ross (6), Kelsey Sinopole (7).

Mary Foster Grant: Hannah Cutler (2).

Melanie Harris: Clarice Nuckols (2), Elizabeth Nuckols (2).

Megan Hennings: Caylie Slama (2).

Dianne Johnston: Caleb Newlin (4), Jubilee Newlin (2), Hannah Steinlicht (4), Jessica Steinlicht (7).

Marilyn Karr: Trinity Hill (2).

Melanie Kurtzbein (Strings): Alexia Kurtzbein (1), Shayla Sutliff (1).

Diana Lundgaard: Melody Bourgeois (2), Molly Daigle (9), Caleb Harding (2), Olivia Harding (2), Lia Sloten (6).

Julie Mandery: Jon Hilson (3), Joe Jafek (1).

Laura Meredith: Shannon Hellewell (1), Elena Meredith (1).

Bethany Prindle (Strings): Mallory Pitcairn (1), Matthew Hennings (6).

Patti Ray: Matthew Fee (1), Roslyn Johnson (1).

Anita Rose: Nicholas Brimhall (1), Sophie Vandenbergh (2).

Cynthia Rose: Cassi McGuire (6).

Krista Seely: Alyson Fox (2), Megan Fox (3).

Sarah Silvia: Chloe Jones (4), Matthew Can Dyck (1).

Lewis County

Teacher: Student (level)

Karen Monroe: Geni Miramontes (1), Brenna McDermott (1), Lydia Koenig (2), Sophie Dalrymple (2), Malaki Damouni (2), Elaina Koenig (3), Madison Burman (3), Zane Fox (3), Duncan Eastman (7).

Selah Newkirk: Ethan Myers (1), Wendi Mason (2), Brayden Burke (4).

Stephanie Cowin: Lola Montee (1), Kamden Schuman (2).

Judy Meyers: Justin Cunningham (2), Mason Cunningham (3), Jisu Han (4), Morgan Lakey (5).

Linda Fast: Cameron Fast (2), Ben Corwin (3), Maddie Corwin (3), Olivia Wiley (3), Rudy Voetberg (7).

Sue Joachim: Nathanel Kupietz (3), Abigail Hopkins (3), Elizabeth Hopkins (3).

Barb Coult: Emily Powers (4).

Lynden

Teacher: Student (level)

Jan Brink: Ava Decker (3), Paige Decker (5).

Meg Krieg: Shelley Honey (1), Isaiah Black (2), Caroline Arnhart (3), Christiana Van den Heuvel (10).

Stephanie Meester: Lainey Graham (1), Savonne Sterk (1), Janna Shaver (2), Jeanette Shaver (2).

Tammy Rutgers: Hannah Van Maaren (1), Kylee Johnson (1/2), Luthien Tamminga (1), Tryste Tamminga (1/2), Joyce Nerad (3), Dakotah Brink (3), Marshall Kirk (4), Daniel Frianeza (4).

Karen Scholten: Becca Te Velde (1), Anna Engels (2), Lukas Kooiman (4), Karis Van Diest (5), Cassidy Vander Heiden (10).

Sherry Vanden Bos: Marcus Felmlly (1), Cole Plagerman (1), Madison Reamer (3). Grant Balvanz (5), Ketta Vanden Bos (5).

Carolyn Vander Griend: Sarah Hoekema (2), Johanna Read (4).

Mount Rainier

Teacher: Student (level)

Sharon Beattie: Kaylee Hirata (1), Noah Day (3), Amelia Day (5), Aaron Kintner (5).

Marilyn Jacobson: Daniel Abraham (3).

Okanogan County

Teacher: Student (level)

Kathleen Christensen: Emmalee Irving (3).

Elizabeth Grunst: Gloria Fast (5).

Roz Nau: Teresa Fast (1), Sarah Fast (1), Emily Nissen (2), Joseph Schell (4).

Lois Rhoads: Jessica Heinlen (2).

Sandy Sheets: Madison Gariano (5).

Olympia

Teacher: Student (level)

Jennifer Bowman: Allie Bunn (4), Sydney Bonauto (4), Hyunjin Kim (5).

Sharon Crain: Zoey Rendon (1), Ashley Gosser (2), Jenny Bjorklund (2), Gabrielle Puz (2), McKenna Hooper (2), Jordan Byers (3).

Carol Crawford: Charis Brown (1), Olivia Marty (2), Truman Affeldt (2), Shamane Alexandria (7).

Sue Dick: Liam Greenlee (1), Paige Henson (1), Parker Henson (1), Connor Mitchell (1), Donna Bunten (5), Kristofer Wong (7).

Cherie Felts: Alissa Strandberg (2), Aidan Covey (2).

Maureen Johnson: Anna McClatchey (2), Kinsey Entriken (3).

Pat Kilmer: Abby Burtner (2), Ian Cates-Doglio (3), William Winokyr-Royer (3), Elinor Hendricks (3), Zackarie Neifert (3), Spencer Hunter (3), Grant Foster (4).

Gordon Miller: Veronica Moldovanu (1).

Lorraine Musson: Tung Dang (1), Vivian Tedder (1), Craig Tedder (1), Natalie Sunderman (1), Kaloyan Menser (1), Alexander Gradev (1), Anabella Almada (2), Opal Ashenhurst (2), Jacob Koong (2) Matthew Panesko (2), Natalie Sunderman (2), Eesha Vasisht (3), Barb Lazio Scher (3), Brendan Perez (4), Luke Scunderm (4).

Art Peterson: Tony Nguyen (9).

Mariann Ryan: Caitlyn Sheldon (2), Vaughn Cook (3), Jakki Hayner (3).

Mary Jo Wright: Ben Hogenson (4), Emma Gorrell (4).

Pullman

Teacher: Student (level)

Jani Peterson: Julianne Tolman (1), Benny Kitchel (2), Katie Kitchel (3), Nicky Kitchel (3), Claire Mullin (3), Daniel Stevens (4).

Michelle Mielke: Payton Rogers (1).

Snohomish County

Teacher: Student (level)

Tien-Yin Chen: Jessie Bai (1), Gianna Tan (1), Katie Shen (3).

Gail Tremblay: Jonathan Chu (1), Adrienna Tran-Pearson (10).

Lauren Oke: Sydney Jaycox (1).

Monica Kessler: Trisha Nguyen (1).

Rachel Dickinson: Andrew Teesdale (1).

Maria Sier: Anna Haller (1).

Lori Stevens: Isa Ayora (2).

Linda Lee: Paige Grover (2).

Natsuko Goldman: Leniah Ednacot (3), Akshaya Saravana (3), Nia Santos (4).

Andrea Roorda: Ethan Smith (3), Sara Bellini (3), Hollie French (4), Joshua Ramos (4), Micah Ramos (5), Nicholas Bellini (5), Katie French (6).

Sarah Hall: Darlina Phan (4), Daniel Bui (5).

Jackie Fuller: Katie McFall (5).

South King County

Teacher: Student (level)

Karen Hollenback: Marc Midrigan (2), Cristian Midrigan (3), Julian Tharp (3), Grace Zhang (4), Kayla Gunderson (4).

Steve Nehrenberg: Rachel Mouer (4), Zachary Cohen (2), Nabili Soehedi (5).

Mary Kaye Owen: Briawna Chan (3), Alexis Prepotente (3), Dana Rin (2), Hong Ta (2), Anisa Tse (1), Madison Evans-Cornathan (2).

Chapter State Recitalist Winners

Bellingham

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Kennie Brown (*Judy Widrig*)

Alt 1: Flannery Youngblood (*Kagari Tanabe*)

HM: Nick Swanson, Max Suwarno (*Andrea Rackl*); Henry Han, Emily Allaway (*Judy Widrig*); Andrew Ronstadt, Griffen Schwiesow (*Kagari Tanabe*); Miranda Hutchings (*Patricia Jorgensen*)

Clark County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: J. J. Guo (*Barbara Roberts*)

Rep 2: Ashley Teng (*Roberts*)

Alt 1: Jonathan Liao (*Cinda Redman*)

Alt 2: Trevor Natiuk (*Roberts*)

HM: Abigail Jiang (*Cinda Redman*); Fan Liu, Reesab Pathak (*Barbara Roberts*); Jenna Tu, Jasmine Koss (*Lena Vozheiko-Wheaton*); David Yelchaninov, Karina Kryukov (*Lena Nikulin*); Lia Vander Ploeg (*Johanna Hodges*)

Clarkston – Lewiston

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Thomas Pearson (*Sue Dole*)

Alt 1: Ali Davies (*Lori Germer*)

Alt 2: Madeline Bunce (*Lori Germer*)

HM: Molly Myklebust, Halle Berg (*Sue Dole*); Gabrielle Flock (*Lori Germer*)

Eastside

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Nathan Lee Han (*Sasha Starceovich*)

Rep 2: Gene Pak (*Sasha Starceovich*)

Rep 3: Stone Cao (*Victoria Bogdashevskaya*)

Alt 1: David Zhao (*Sasha Starceovich*)

Alt 2: Alexendra Lu (*Sasha Starceovich*)

Alt 3: Shannon Cassady (*Sasha Starceovich*)

HM: Edward Zhang, Megan Lu, Jay

Grinols, Adrian Fan (*Sasha Starceovich*), Jenna

Everard, Gwen Miller (*Donna Sams*), Jonathan

Shu (*Irina Akhrin*)

Edmonds

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Andrew Ma (*Jensina Oliver*)

Rep 2: Nancy Jong (*Conney Vernall*)

Alt 1: Alec Sjolholm (*Naoko Noguchi*)

Alt 2: Jeffrey Ding (*Vernall*)

HM: Angela Birchman, Michelle Wang

(*Vernall*); Sophie Brusniak (*Mariya Koshkina*)

Enumclaw

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Estella Kim (*Bonnie McLarty*)

Alt 1: Emily Ellis (*Bonnie McLarty*)

Gig Harbor

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Tarra Winslow (*Christopher Rogers*)

Alt 1: Grace Winslow (*Christofer Rogers*)

HM: Margaret Eddy (*Christofer Rogers*);

Abraham Sullivan (*Susan Luebeck*); Erica

Walstead (*Linda Long*)

Grays Harbor

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Clara Park (*Ellen Pickel*)

Alt 1: Micah Hollen (*Erica Hollen*)

Grays Harbor - Voice

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Karylann O'Conner (*Christine Hill*)

Alt 1: Kelly Barr (*Kari Hashbrouck*)

HM: Aaron deMontigny (*Hashbrouck*)

Kitsap County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Alessandra Fleck (*Irene Bowling*)

Rep 2: Barbara Mirano (*Irene Bowling*)

Alt 1: Mai Frey (*Irene Bowling*)

Alt 2: Nat Walker (*Dianne Johnston*)

HM: Victoria Fleck, Seth Hyra, Rachel

Sandel (*Irene Bowling*); Joe Gildner (*Mary Grant*)

Lewis County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Matthew Durham (*Karen Monroe*)

Alt 1: Rudy Voetberg (*Linda Fast*)

HM: Sadie Brown (*Karen Brown*), Rachel

Meehan, Victoria Patterson (*Sue Joachim*);

Tucker Voetberg, Simon Stehr (*Meyers*); Vance

Voetberg, Noah Corwin, Josiah Cowin (*Fast*)

Lynden

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Brad Clark (*Meg Krieg*)

Alt 1: Emma Clarke (*Carrie Robins*)

HM: Megan Gomes (*Krieg*); Hannah Klos,

(*Karen Scholten*); Abbey Clarke (*Robins*);

Mitchell Honey (*Sherry VandenBos*)

Mason County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Megan Cywik (*Kathryn McLin*)

Alt 1: Lewis Jackson (*Alice Johansson*)

HM: Jimme Ye (*Johansson*), Lexi Nakhla

(*Anne-Marie Nakhla*)

Moses Lake – Central Basin

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Jonathan Barlow (*Marina Munter*)

Alt 1: Nikota Brzezny (*Preta Laughlin*)

Alt 2: David Babchanik (*Marina Munter*)

HM: Hannah Welch (*Harriet West*); Erin Manly (*Marina Munter*); Taylor Yamane (*Preta Laughlin*)

Mount Rainier

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Elise Winkler (*Marilyn S. Jacobson*)

Alt 1: Evan Minsk (*Marilyn S. Jacobson*)

HM: Brett Gaulke, Kassidy Dent (*Marilyn S. Jacobson*)

Okanogan

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Gloria Fast (*Elizabeth Grunzt*)

Alt 1: Joseph Mintzer (*Kathleen Christensen*)

Olympia

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Kyle Groden (*Carol Crawford*)

Rep 2: Danzhu Zhao (*Brooke Beecher*)

Alt 1: Hyunjin Kim (*Jennifer Bowman*)

Alt 2: Surabhi Mundada (*Beecher*)

HM: Jeremy Ong, Jason Chung, Faye Lee (*Beecher*); Kyle Wang (*Mary Jane Clarke*); Nathan Goh, Olivia Cai (*Amy Yang*); Don Li (*Lynn Lewis*)

Olympic Peninsula

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Katie Rivers (*Kayla Dymont*)

Alt 1: Keon Deng (*Kayla Dymont*)

Alt 2: Keith Wilwert (*Kayla Dymont*)

HM: Erin Dwyer, Mitchel Knudson (*Kayla Dymont*)

Pullman

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Anna Rotolo (*Karen Savage*)

Alt 1: Ne Dassanayake (*Sharon Wells*)

HM: Priyanka Muhunthan, Alice Wang

(*Sharon Wells*)

Puyallup Valley

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: River McNabb (*Mary Ellen Cavelti*)

Rep 2: Olivia Steffen (*Mary Ellen Cavelti*)

Alt 1: Paige Aimi Wieseinger (*Kathy Tung*)

Alt 2: Natalie White (*Sue Heath*)

HM: Krystalina Truong (*Vickie Kim*)

Seattle

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Andrew Liu (*Willard Schultz*)

Rep 2: Millicent McFall (*Peter Mack*)

Rep 3: Bryan Zhao (*Willard Schultz*)

Alt 1: Janet P. Phang (*Peter Mack*)

Alt 2: Jack Swiggett (*Pamela Chang-Rice*)

Alt 3: Mya King (*Peter Mack*)

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Skagit Valley

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Kyler Schubkegel (*Barb Van Vliet*)
Rep 2: Carley Eilers (*Barb Van Vliet*)
Alt 1: William Methner (*Sue Van Nortwick*)
Alt 2: Tate Cohan (*Barb Van Vliet*)
HM: Roland Farell, Taylor Clemo, Drew Shipman (*Sue Van Nortwick*); Peter Curtis (*June Smith*)

Snohomish County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Adrienna Tran-Pearson (*Gail Tremblay*)
Rep 2: Young Park (*Allan Park*)
Alt 1: Nicholas Dittoe (*Judy Baker*)
Alt 2: Peter Preston (*Judy Baker*)
HM: Ashley Zhou, Ava Linvog (*Gail Tremblay*); Laurie Ojala, Elle Ojala, Christine Shull, Stephen Binondo, Laura Hendrickson, Jacqueline Southwick, Mason Meyer (*Judy Baker*); Judy Chin (*Allan Park*)

South King County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Andrew Flury (*Dianne Nichols*)
Rep 2: Charlie Catino (*Dianne Nichols*)
Alt 1: Nathan Chao (*Julie Swienty*)
Alt 2: Derek Bui (*William Chapman Nyaho*)
HM: Rachel Weros, Nicolas Goleeke, Ana Belen Elliott, Lucy Tibbetts (*Julie Swienty*); Kevin Self, McKenzie Fysh, Caroline Zhuang, Kayla Clark, Kohl Hebert, Andrew Bui (*William Chapman Nyaho*); Michelle Kim (*Sviatlana Riedel*); Albina Melnik, Katya Downey (*Eleanora Voronchuk*); Rachel Kovacs, Charity Peterson (*Lisa Hogg*); Jacqueline Choe (*Karen Hollenback*)

Spokane

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Justin Zhu Cai (*Karlyn Brett*)
Rep 2: Val Wold (*Barbara Miller*)
Rep 3: Anna Thompson (*Barbara Miller*)
Alt 1: Ruiqi Wang (*Karlyn Brett*)
Alt 2: Danek Black (*Mary Simpson*)
Alt 3: Sarah Wu (*Barbara Miller*)
HM: Gabriel Soileau, Alex Zhu, Derek Long, Anna Nowland (*Barbara Miller*); Pingbo Zhou, Rosie Zhou, Clara Patton (*Greg Presley*); Matthew Chen, Jasmine Wen (*Karlyn Brett*); Seth Lowman (*Mary Simpson*).

Sunn Valley

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Trevor Yorgesen (*Rebecca Cook*)
Alt 1: Cole Gardner (*Marilyn Linde*)
HM: Megan Yorgesen, JiaMin Chen, Claudia Fesko (*Rebecca Cook*)

Tacoma

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Reid Wolch (*Paul Twedt*)
Rep 2: Kevin Starr (*Twedt*)
Alt 1: Shay Clackin-Coley (*Janice Bernsten*)
Alt 2: Peter Gray (*Twedt*)
HM: Elizabeth Gallagher (*Jacqueline Block*)

Tri-Cities

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Justin Chu (*Hanic Dec*)
Rep 2: Brian Fang (*Lilia Moses*)
Alt 1: Alana Cho (*Moses*)
Alt 2: Niraj Suresh (*Dec*)
HM: Jane Moon, (*Ben Fowler*); Cloe Coker, Alexander Fang (*Lilia Moses*); Nathan Hu, Rebecca Qian, Michelle Fu (*Holly Harty*); Ethan Vo, Emma Berry (*Judy Buttles*); James Holladay, Inthat Born (*Hanic Dec*)

Walla Walla

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Carson Schmidt (*Kraig Scott*)
Alt 1: Luke Irvine (*Leonard Richter*)
HM: John-Mark Whitaker, Annelise Whitaker, Drew Irvine (*Leonard Richter*); Kristi Rose (*Wafia Kinne*)

Wenatchee Valley

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Danielle Heins (*Jill Larson*)
Rep 2: Bettye Eifert (*Jill Larson*)
Alt 1: Svetlana Zemlyanoy (*Linda Butler*)
Alt 2: Devan McAllister (*Jill Larson*)
HM: Joseph Winters (*Loy Willet*); Wendy Gong, Stephanie Coe, Emma Nixon, Allie Osgood, Zoie Ziesmer, Cristina Locatelli, Ariana Brooks (*Jill Larson*); Ashlyn Hill (*Linda Butler*); Chloe Millard (*Diane Stober*)

Whatcom County

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Josh Cowin (*Robert Lundquist*)
Alt 1: Ruby Williams (*Robert Lundquist*)

Whidbey Island

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Alexander Amick (*Cheryl Gardner*)
Alt 1: Valen Montgomery (*Cheryl Gardner*)

Yakima-Ellensburg

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Garrett Snedeker (*Marilyn Wilbanks*)
Alt 1: Erin Buehler (*Christian Buehler*)
HM: Alexa Packard (*Christian Buehler*); Jocelyn Cruz, Alex Kim, Melanie Packard (*Junghee Spicer*)

District I

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Elizabeth Stanton, flute (*Iris Ingram*)
Rep 2: Jack Pritchard, flute (*Iris Ingram*)
Rep 3: Alina Bui, soprano (*Shih Yi Kuan*)
Alt 1: Marie Kang, violin (*Julia Kim*)
Alt 2: Evie Rolston, flute (*Iris Ingram*)
Alt 3: Bella DiAngelo, flute (*Iris Ingram*)

District II

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Abigail Miles, Soprano (*Darcie Fulkerson*)

District IV

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Michael Ash, tenor (*April Duvic*)
Rep 2: Jiali Zhang, violin (*Ludmila Henderson*)
Alt 1: Amy Fan, violin (*Lily Burton*)
Alt 2: Xiansheng Yan, violin (*Burton*)
HM: Annie Gibson, violin; Chelsea Gibson, violin (*Carmen Davidson-Smith*)

District V

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Bethany Fast, violin (*Roz Nau*)
Alt 1: Brennon Ramsey, violin (*Roz Nau*)

District VI

Place: Student (Teacher)

Rep 1: Vanessa Vega, soprano (*Reginald Unterseher*)
Rep 2: Tobin Castellano, violin (*Mary-Kay French*)
Alt 1: John Paul Custodio, violin (*Melvina Romanelli*)
HM: Blake Hirschi, soprano (*Molly Holleran*)

2013 Young Composers Project Winners

The first emphasis in the Young Composers Project is that of education of our students. However, the judges do select winners at each level. This year's judges were Cheryl Green, Dr. Rob Hutchinson, Dr. Steve Nehrenberg, Valerie Roubos, Victoria Sabo, Reginald Unterseher and Dr. Peter F. Wolf. (Note: Honorable Mentions listed below are not ranked.)

Place Student Teacher

Primary (K-2) – (10 entries)		
1.	Angela Wang	Sharon Van Valin
2.	Ava Yeh	Sharon Van Valin
3.	Olivia Lacambra	Keva Vaughan-McMorrow
HM.	Nathan Lin	Sharon Van Valin
	Liam Connor	Andrea Rackl

Grade 3 – (13 entries)		
1	.Noelle Paek	Sharon Van Valin
2.	Sarah Plemons	Michelle Mielke
3.	Ameena Majeed	Frances Goei
HM	Hayley Berkman	Frances Goei
	Nathan Hu	Holly Harty
	Zubin Sannakkalaya	Tim Saye
	Michael Zander	Andrea Rackl

Grade 4 – (16 entries)		
1.	Henry From	Sandra Payton
2.	Emily Chin	Sharon Van Valin
3.	Roisin Connor	Andrea Rackl
HM	Gabriel Raskind	Rose Marie Tamburri
	Mark Schlichting	Kim Bowman
	John Meneses	Diana Dallal
	Nathan Paek	Sharon Van Valin
	Amanda Chin	Sharon Van Valin
	Sean Ozinsky	Sarah Silvia

Grade 5 – (21 entries)		
1.	Simon Kwon	Sharon Van Valin
2.	Hannah Zhao	Sharon Van Valin
3.	Lillian Riley	Julie Swienty
HM	Colin McIntosh	Debra DeMiero
	Coral Anderson	Carolyn Malnes
	Malia Megargee	Frances Goei
	Karina Jhingan	Frances Goei
	Kaya Jaacks	Jeanne Ellis

Grade 6 – (17 entries)		
1.	Lauren Barkley	Sharon Van Valin
2.	Luke Sunderman	Theo Ragan
3.	Gannon Forsberg	Sharon Van Valin
HM	Akshay Bablani	Kerry Itami
	Morgan Mendes	Andrea Rackl
	Max Suwarno	Andrea Rackl

Grade 7 (11 entries)		
1.	Claire Campbell	Andrea Rackl
2.	Callum McCubbin	Michelle Mielke
3.	Jake Lee	Sharon Van Valin
HM	Matthew Carroll	Sarah Hall
	Melissa Wang	Sharon Van Valin
	David Nguyen	Lorraine Musson

Grade 8 – (8 entries)		
1.	Ashley Hsieh	Sharon Van Valin
2.	Danny Gibson	Kim Bowman
3.	Maxwell Buerger	Anita Rose
HM	Luke Cane	Frances Goei
	Dmitry Sutton	Art Peterson

Grade 9 – (5 entries)		
1.	Ally Sowers	Greg Presley
2.	Christina Ding	Sharon Van Valin
3.	Ariel Hsieh	Sharon Van Valin
HM	Ethan Kepler	Joan Harrison

Grade 10 – (6 entries)		
1.	Joshua VanCleave	Kenneth Owen
2.	Grace Denniston	Carol Karlak
3.	Joseph Winters	Patricia Loy Willet
HM	Joseph Winters	Patricia Loy Willet
	Connor Low	Heather Forbes

Grade 11 – (6 entries)		
1.	Nick Swanson	Andrea Rackl
2.	Anna Apostolidis	Laura Curtis
3.	Hannah Dierdorff	Carolyn Stuart
3.	Naomi Yamamoto	Art Peterson
HM	Brad Clark	Meg Krieg

Grade 12 – (7 entries)		
1.	Hans Fritz	Susan Suttles
2.	Shannon Horst	Bonnie MacPhail
3.	Shannon Horst	Bonnie MacPhail
HM	Brooke LaMacchia	Sharon Van Valin
	Liara Yoakum	Rebecca Cook

Collegiate – (2 entries)		
1.	Colin Luh	Helen Murray
2.	Eithne Brennan	Art Peterson



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WSMTA Student Winners



Gabriel Soiliel, Senior Composition,
1st Place, Student of Barbara Miller

Abigail Miles, Senior Voice, 3rd Place
Student of Darcie Fulkerson

Audrey Chen, Senior String, 3rd Place
Student of Kai Chen

2014 Foundation Fellow Awardees



L-R: Margee Webster, NCTM, WSMTA
Pedigogy Chair and Patti Robertson, NCTM,
WSMTA Treasurer

Gala Dinner Attendees



Front row, L-R: Peter Mack, NCTM; Robin
Chadwick, NCTM, MTNA Foundation Chair;
Jani Peterson, NCTM, NW Division Director;
Patti Robertson, NCTM, WSMTA Treasurer;
Margee Webster, NCTM, WSMTA Pedegogy
Chair; Mary Kaye Owen, NCTM, Education
Board Member. Back row, L-R: Laurie Eash,
NCTM, WSMTA President; Yelena Balabanova,
NCTM, Distrcit 1 VP; Debra Florian, NCTM,
MTNA Vice President

WSMTA Conference 2014 at a glance

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

3:00-6:00pm	Registration & Information Hargreaves Hall (2nd Fl.)
5:00-6:00pm	Social Hour Hargreaves Hall Library
6:00-7:30pm	Banquet Hargreaves Hall Library
7:30-8:00pm	Registration & Information Music Bldg. Entrance Hall

8:00pm	WA State Winners Recital Recital Hall
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MONDAY, JUNE 23

8:00am	Registration & Information Music Bldg. Entrance Hall
8:30-9:30am	Opening Ceremonies Recital Hall
9:30-10:30am	Workshops
	Kristina Henckel, NCTM Goldfinch 216 <i>"Bedrich Smetana 'Dreams' ..."</i>
	Brent Edstrom Robin 248 <i>"A Practical Approach to Improv."</i>
10:30-10:45am	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
10:45-12:00pm	Honors Recital 1 Recital Hall
12:00-1:45pm	Lunch and Meetings
	Chapter Presidents Hospitality 238 Adjudication Chairs Meeting Rm. 211
1:45-2:45pm	Workshops
	Greg Presley, NCTM Goldfinch 216 <i>"Honoring the Body"</i>
	Mary Foster Grant, NCTM Robin 248 <i>"Using 21st Century Tools"</i>
	Tawni Wright Bluebird 247 <i>"Technology Trends In Composition"</i>
2:45-3:00pm	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
3:00-4:15pm	Honors Recital 2 Recital Hall
4:15-4:30pm	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
4:30-5:30pm	Workshops
	Dr. Savage, NCTM Goldfinch 216 <i>"Beethoven & the Piano Sonatas ..."</i>
	Anita Brandon Robin 248 <i>"Anatomy of a Music Concept"</i>
	Michelle Mielke, NCTM Bluebird 247 <i>"Demystifying Performance Anxiety"</i>
5:30pm	Dinner

6:45-7:45pm	<i>Meet 'n Greet</i>	
	Stephanie White, NCTM	Goldfinch 216
	<i>"Young Professionals Meet & Greet"</i>	
8:00pm	<i>Concert</i>	Recital Hall
	Starry Night Concert	
	<i>Performing Artists from the Inland Northwest</i>	

TUESDAY, JUNE 24 FREE DAY TO NON-MEMBERS

8:00am	Registration & Information Music Bldg. Entrance Hall
8:30-9:30am	Workshops
	Karen Scholten Goldfinch 216 <i>"Musicianship Exams"</i>
	Karen Hollenback, NCTM Robin 248 <i>"Getting Started - MTNA Certification..."</i>
9:30-9:45am	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
9:45-10:45am	Workshops
	Scott Kirby Goldfinch 216 <i>"Classic Ragtime Practice ..."</i>
	Rachelle Ventura, NCTM Robin 248 <i>"An Aural Approach to Teaching"</i>
	Darnelle Preston, Greg Presley Bluebird 247 <i>Lieder, "Voice & Piano Paint the Text"</i>
10:45-11:00am	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
11:00-12:15pm	Honors Recital 3 Recital Hall
12:15-1:30pm	Lunch and Meetings
	Adjudicators Hospitality 238 Certification Chairs Meeting Rm. 211
1:30-2:30pm	Workshops
	Dr. Schoepflin, Munson, Ventura, Dr. Cojbasic Recital Hall <i>"Women Composers ..."</i>
	Nancy Kirkner Goldfinch 216 <i>"Handbells ... not just for churches ..."</i>
2:30-2:45pm	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
2:45-3:45pm	Workshops
	Kristina Henckel Goldfinch 216 <i>"Bedrich Smetana 'Dreams' ..."</i>
	Panel Discussion Robin 248 <i>"Aspects of the Private Strings Studio"</i>
	Dr. Graves & panel Bluebird 247 <i>"Questions from the Hat"</i>
3:45-4:00pm	Break
	Exhibitors Eagle 123 Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall
4:00--5:15pm	Honors Recital 4 Recital Hall

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5:30pm Dinner

8:00pm Concert Recital Hall
Dr. Catherine Kautsky Concert

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

8:00am Registration
Music Bldg. Entrance Hall

8:30-9:30am Workshops
Dr. Sinn, NCTM Goldfinch 216
"What Lies Beneath"
Dorie Guidon, NCTM Robin 248
"Adjudications Forum"
Dr. Hunter, NCTM Bluebird 247
"Music Lessons from the ABC's"

9:30-9:45am Break
Exhibitors Eagle 123
Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall

9:45-11:15am Master Class Recital Hall
Dr. Catherine Kautsky

11:15-11:30am Break
Exhibitors Eagle 123
Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall

11:30-12:30pm Workshops
Dr. Starcevich Goldfinch 216
"The Technical Development ..."
Laura Dean Robin 248
"The Music of Mexico's Manuel Ponce..."
Nancy Kirkner Bluebird 247
"Copyright Considerations ..."

12:30-1:45pm Luau Lunch Buffet & Meetings
College Faculty Forum: Dr. Hunter Hospitality 238
~ District V.P.'s meet with chapters

1:45-3:00pm Honors Recital 5 Recital Hall

3:00-3:30pm Break
Exhibitors Eagle 123
Silent Auction, Raffle Entry Hall

3:30-4:30pm Workshops
Dr. Schoepflin, Munson, Ventura, Dr. Cojbasic
"Women Composers ..." Recital Hall
Dr. Savage, NCTM Goldfinch 216
"Beethoven & the Piano Sonatas ..."

4:30-5:30pm Master Class Recital Hall
Dr. Catherine Kautsky

5:30pm Dinner

8:00pm Concert Recital Hall
*Composer of the Year – Liz Nedela
& Young Composers Winner Recital*

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

9:15-10:15am Closing Ceremonies Recital Hall
WSMTA Pres., Laurie Eash, NCTM

10:30-12:00pm Lecture Recital Hall
Dr. Catherine Kautsky
*"Clowns, Colonies, and Cakewalks –
Debussy in fin de siecle Paris"*



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**Chapter Musicianship Exams
High Honors**

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South King County (continued)

Julie Swienty: Adi Moore (3), Cielo Tarabi (4), Nathan Chao (5), Lucy Tibbets (6).

Kathleen Foster: Jacqueline Foster (4).

Spokane

Teacher: Student (level)

Karlyn Brett: Wendy Bai (5), Suhang Liu (4), Austin Martin-Fu (3), Benjamin Sudlow (2).

Joyce Hawkins: Liam Howard (6), Aaron Johnson (3), Caleb Johnson (5), Jennifer Wagstaff, (4), Kim Wagstaff (5), Joseph Williamson (1).

Valerie Roubos: Elsa Chu (1), Emily Garrett (1).

Carolyn Stuart: Sam Brody (3).

Whidbey Island

Teacher: Student (level)

Cheryl Gardner: Haden Luibil (2), Patricia Sabian (5), Alex Amick (5), Kristan Amick (6).

Judith Prichard: Caitlin Dennen (1), Kaylin Fischer (1), Ele Graham (3), Valen Montgomery (3), Korbin Graham (3).

Natasha Vanderlinden: Genevieve Ugalde (1).

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DATES 'N DEADLINES

- June 21:** Education Board meeting,
Robin Chadwick, NCTM, Chair
- June 22:** Board of Directors meeting,
Laurie Eash, NCTM, President
- June 22-26:** WSMTA Conference
EWU, Cheney, WA
- August 1:** MTNA dues deadline for teachers
planning to enter students in MTNA
Performance and Composition Competitions
- Sept. 10:** Deadline for MTNA Performance
Competition online applications. Postmark
deadline for MTNA Composition Competition
applications & for WSMTA Outstanding Artist
Competition applications
- Sept. 26 – 27:** Adjudicator Conference, Hilton
Garden Inn, Yakima, *Jeffrey Savage, NCTM,
Chair*
- Sept. 27 – 28:** Fall Leadership Seminar, Hilton
Garden Inn, Yakima, *Janice Smith, Chair*
- Nov. 7 – 9:** MTNA Performance
Competitions, CWU, Ellensburg, *Krista Seely,
Chair* & WSMTA Outstanding Artist
Competition, CWU, Ellensburg, *Patti Ray,
NCTM, Chair*

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