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President's Corner



Krista Seely
WSMTA President

It is with tremendous gratitude and a bit of wistfulness that I write my final President's Column for the *Clarion*. As of June 21, **Karen Hollenback** will assume this role, and I cannot think of anyone more qualified to serve as your 2019-2021 President. Karen has already made important contributions to WSM TA as our State Certification Chair, and more recently as a member of the Board of Directors since 2015.

Likewise, all WSM TA Board members and committee chairs with whom I've had the pleasure to serve are uniquely qualified to help lead our organization. Special thanks to those who will be leaving the Board of Directors in June: **Janice Smith**, Immediate Past President; **Nicole Kim**, District II Vice President; and **Carissa Pitkin Cox**, District VI Vice President. Welcome to those who will be joining the Board: **Evelyn Hartwell**, District II Vice President; **Margo Cox**, District VI Vice President; **Kira Theine**, serving a second term as District IV Vice President; and especially to **Colleen Hunter**, who will be moving from her current position as District VII Vice President to her new role as WSM TA Vice President. All of us in WSM TA benefit from the contributions of these amazing and committed volunteers.

When I began my WSM TA leadership journey, it was during a rather tumultuous time in my life. It took a leap of faith to say yes, but my decision was motivated by a deep desire to give back to this organization that has given so much to me, from my formative years studying with WSM TA member-teachers, to my early days as a student-teacher, and later as a young college graduate working to establish myself as an independent studio teacher. Through the years as I moved around the state, I always found WSM TA affiliates, where I met new colleagues and made new friends. WSM TA has served as a foundation for my career and a bridge to help me move forward with curiosity and enthusiasm.

Thank you to all of you who have welcomed me to your local meetings over the past two years, hosted me in your homes, and offered words of affirmation and encouragement. I have truly enjoyed getting to know you better. Likewise, thank you to those who have reached out with your ideas and suggestions for how WSM TA can better serve members like you. Keep those ideas coming!

I look forward to continuing my support of WSM TA as your Past President and as a more active member of my local chapter. I also look forward to seeing many of you at Conference in a few weeks! **Kirsten Carlson**, our amazing and beloved **Administrative Coordinator and Conference Chair extraordinaire**, has planned a fabulous program to educate and inspire all of us. You'll find more details in this issue of *The Clarion*.

With thanks and best wishes for a wonderful summer,

Krista Seely

—Krista Seely, WSM TA President

Félicitations

While serving as your state president, I've listened in on many chapter business meetings, including discussions about events and activities taking place in your communities. I always come away with a deep sense of gratitude for the leaders who guide our local organizations. Thank you to all WSMTA **Chapter Presidents and Officers** for faithfully keeping your local association's engine running smoothly.

An essential volunteer responsibility in every local association is **Chapter Treasurer**. It's not the most glamorous job, but where would we be without that person who keeps track of the funds by making timely deposits and payments and helps us create a budget for each new year? Many chapter treasurers are re-elected for multiple terms and that volunteer service adds up! Likewise, WSMTA relies heavily on our state treasurer. **Mary Grant, WSMTA Treasurer**, has done an outstanding job in her first year, following in the footsteps of **Patti Robertson**, who retired after serving for more than two decades. Mary is a skilled and thoughtful financial manager and an outstanding member of the Board of Directors. Thank you, Mary, for your enormous contribution to WSMTA.

The long lists of names in this issue of the Clarion reflect achievements not only of individual teachers and their students, but of the **Chapter Recital Competition Chairs** and others who have given their time to reserve a venue, schedule an adjudicator, manage registration, attend the event and report



the results. Your commitment is a gift to your chapter, your colleagues, and to all who will enjoy our state Honors Recitals later this month in Tacoma. Likewise, two outstanding WSMTA leaders deserve ovations for organizing the state Honors and Winners recitals: **Karen Hollenback** and **Kathy Mortenson**. They will be on hand in Tacoma to welcome recitalists, supervise rehearsals and congratulate the students.

WSMTA's **Music Literacy Program** (formerly Musicianship Exams) continues to grow. Many thanks to **Karen Scholten**, state chair of MLP for keeping this program running smoothly for WSMTA. While traveling around the state, I've been delighted to see how some chapters have put a glossy coat of veneer on the exams by creating a carnival, Olympics, or cruise ship theme (to name a few) so students barely recognize that that there's a skills-assessment taking place! Hats off to dozens of **local MLP Chairs and volunteers** who help motivate our students achieve higher levels of music literacy.

This spring, we concluded the second year of our **Music Artistry Program**, the re-branded and updated program formerly known as "Adjudications." I am pretty sure the time it takes to register my students has been cut in half using this new system with its practical 5-minute blocks of time and no need to ponder repertoire levels. Thank you to all **local MAP Chairs** and a big round of applause to **WSMTA MAP Chair Stephanie White** for keeping it all running smoothly for teachers and students. On the subject of MAP, a big shout-out to the **Wenatchee Valley Chapter**, where 80%+ of members participate in this program year after year. What an outstanding contribution to the artistic growth of students in the Wenatchee Valley. Bravo!

—Krista Seely, WSMTA President



WSMTA President Krista Seely visiting the Okanogan County Chapter at their May Meeting!
(L-R: Sandy Sheets, Joan Smith, Krista Seely, Kathleen Christensen, Lois Rhoads, Roz Nau, and Faith Lofthus)

CLARION INFORMATION

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17, 2019: Education Board Meeting, UPS

June 18, 2019: Board of Directors Meeting, UPS

June 19-21, 2019: WSMTA State Conference at University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

September 21-22, 2019: WSMTA Leadership Seminar at Hilton Garden Inn, Yakima, WA

October 12, 2019: District I & II Conference, Marysville, WA

November 9-11, 2019: Outstanding Artist Competition & Washington State MTNA Performance Competition at Whitworth University, Spokane, WA

March 21-25, 2020: MTNA National Conference at Chicago Marriott Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL

June 2020: WSMTA State Conference at Washington State University, Pullman, WA

DATES AND DEADLINES

August 1: Deadline for submitting articles for the September *Clarion*

September 11, 2019: Registration Deadline for WSMTA Outstanding Artist Competition

September 11, 2019: Registration Deadline for MTNA Performance Competitions

WELCOME NEW AND REINSTATING MEMBERS

South King County
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2019 WSMTA State Conference

Wednesday-Friday, June 19-21, 2019 · University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

Conference Registration Information

- The conference is two and a half days long, with an extra Bonus Evening on Tuesday, June 17, 2019.
- You may choose to register for one day of the conference or for full registration. Two-day registration is the same price as (or more than) a full registration. Registration for one day is considered “one-day” and registration for more than one day is considered “full-time.”
- Registration for any day includes entry to all sessions, concerts, recitals, and masterclasses on that day. It also includes lunch on that day. **You must register by June 10, 2019 in order for lunch to be included in your registration fee.**
- There is a special full-time rate for first-time conference attendees but there is no special rate for one-day registration for first-time conference attendees.
- After June 10, 2019, conference registration will not be available online—registration will only be available at that point at the registration table at the conference, starting on June 17, 2019 at 4 p.m.
- The Banquet Dinner is not included in any registration (full-time or one-day). It will be an additional cost added to any registration, should you choose to attend the banquet.



Upper Marshall Hall at the University of Puget Sound, where the 2019 Conference Banquet will be held.



You can always look forward to WSMTA's Scholarship Raffle and Silent Auction! Come prepared to bid on each chapters' creative basket contributions!



Our 2019 Conference Guest Artist is Dr. Irene Peery-Fox from Brigham Young University.

2019 WSMTA State Conference: Register by June 10

Wednesday-Friday, June 19-21, 2019 · University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

Conference Accommodations

Stay at Thomas Hall during the conference! Dorm rooms are available the following nights:

- Tuesday, June 18
- Wednesday, June 19
- Thursday, June 20

Dorm rooms are single rooms within a larger “pod” or “flat” of rooms with shared bathrooms. There are between 9-14 rooms with 3-4 bathrooms in each pod, with fully furnished living room, kitchen, and dining area.

What’s included in the costs below?

- **Single Room** with Bed Linen
- **Breakfast** on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday Mornings
- **Dinner** on Thursday Evening
- *(Lunches are already included with the cost of conference registration)*



Thomas Hall at the University of Puget Sound

Dinner is not included on Wednesday which is the evening of the conference banquet (although you can still go to the Wheelock Center for dinner and pay at the time).

Regular Meal service times in communal dining area, Wheelock Student Center, are as follows:

- Breakfast 7:00-9:00 am
- Lunch 11:30 am-1:30 pm
- Dinner 4:30-6:30 pm

Thomas Hall Dorm Room Rates

One Night	Two Nights	Three Nights
\$90	\$175	\$250



Common Kitchen and Dining area in a flat of rooms at Thomas Hall.

2019 WSMTA State Conference Schedule

Wednesday-Friday, June 19-21, 2019 · University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

TUESDAY PRE-CONFERENCE BONUS

EVENT

Conference schedule is subject to change.

8:30 A.M.—3:30 P.M.

Board of Directors Meeting

4:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Registration at the Wheelock Student Center

5:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Pre-Conference Meet & Greet: finger foods, drinks, and musical entertainment

6:00—6:30 P.M. Making Friends in Spite of

Our Lonely Profession

Mary Kaye Owen, NCTM

7:00—8:00 P.M. IMTF Resource

Roundtable

RoseMarie Tamburri

WEDNESDAY

8:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M. Registration

8:00—10:30 A.M. Coffee Service

9:00—10:00 A.M. Opening Meeting

10:30—11:45 A.M.

- **HONORS RECITAL #1**
- IMTF Panel Discussion: Mind Your Own Business
RoseMarie Tamburri
- Through Bach's Ears: A Lecture-Recital of Bach's Musical Soundscape
Joann Richardson, NCTM

11:45 A.M.—1:00 P.M. Lunch Workshops & Showcases

- Music Literacy Program
Karen Scholten
- Exhibitor Showcase: The RCM Certificate Program
Sheila Vail

1:00—2:00 P.M.

- Five Finger Patterns and Famous Composers: Fresh Ideas for Solo and Duet Piano Works
Vicente Della Tonia, Jr.
- Spinning Out Ideas: An Effortless Approach to Teaching Composition
Jeff Pettijohn

2:15—3:30 P.M.

- **HONORS RECITAL #2**
- Market Your Studio Like You Mean It!
Mariya Lincoln

3:30—4:00 P.M. Afternoon Coffee Break

4:00—5:00 P.M.

- "I Just LOVE My Minuet!"
Judith Schoepflin
- The Art of the Interview: How to Reveal Priceless Insights with New Students and Parents
Janice Smith, NCTM

5:00-6:00 P.M.

- District VP Meeting: *Kathy Mortensen*
- Visiting Artists Meeting: *Greg Presley, NCTM*

6:00-7:30 P.M. Awards Banquet

8:00 P.M. GUEST ARTIST RECITAL (*reception to follow, sponsored by the Kitsap County Chapter, Lake Washington Chapter, and Puyallup Valley Chapter*)

THURSDAY

8:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M. Registration

8:00—10:30 A.M. Coffee Service

9:00—10:15 A.M.

- Practice: How Practice Works (The Brain Science), Practice Strategies, Winning the Mental Practice Game
Diane Walker
- Evoking, Suggesting, and Murmuring at the Piano: Franz Liszt and the Seeds of Impressionism
Thomas Lee

10:30-11:45 A.M.

- **HONORS RECITAL #3**
- Music of Bruce Stark: Tonal Aspects and Diverse Influences to Create Fresh Repertory
Bruce Stark
- Sound Business Practices for Private Studios
Angelo Rondello

11:45 A.M.—1:00 P.M. Lunch Workshops & Showcases

- MTNA Certification 101
Rose Freeman, NCTM
- Exhibitor Showcase: Essential Oils for Music Lovers
Cynthia Harp

1:00—2:00 P.M.

- Playing with Blocks: How Keyboard Harmony Exercises Can Make Learning Repertoire Easier
Lark Powers, NCTM
- Teaching Across the Instrument: Flute Ideas for the Piano Studio
Rebecca Cook, NCTM

2:15—3:30 P.M.

- **YOUNG COMPOSERS PROJECT AND COMMISSIONED COMPOSER OF THE YEAR RECITAL**
- Organ Topics
Joann Richardson
- Can Music Be "Masculine" or "Feminine"? Including Gendered Themes in Music Lessons (2:15-3:00 p.m.)
Garrett Snedeker
- Genre & Culture: Teaching 21st Century Cultural Concepts through Blending Classical and Popular Genres (3:15-4:00 pm)
Cameron Barton, Natalie Kahler, Garrett Snedeker, and Morgan Zearott

3:30—4:00 P.M. YCP & CCOY Recital Reception and Afternoon Coffee Break (*sponsored by the Tri-City Chapter*)

4:00—5:30 P.M.

- Irene Peery-Fox Masterclass
- Intermediate Flute Repertoire
Kristine Richman
- Fun and Finney Games for the Intermediate Piano Student
Davis Hill

5:30-6:00 P.M. Meetings

- Music Artistry Program Meeting
Stephanie White
- **Young Professionals Get-Together:**
Mark Stevens on Avenues to Academia: Making Yourself Marketable for a Career in Higher Education
- Making Friends in Spite of Our Lonely Profession
Mary Kaye Owen, NCTM

6:00—7:30 P.M. Dinner on Your Own
(dorm residents have dinner included with their meal plans; commuters may purchase meals at the cafeteria or go off-campus)

8:00 P.M. WA WINNERS RECITAL (*reception to follow, sponsored by the Mount Rainier Chapter and Yakima-Ellensburg Chapter*)

FRIDAY

8:00 A.M.—9:00 P.M. Registration

8:00—10:30 A.M. Coffee Service

8:30—9:00 A.M. Closing Meeting

9:00—10:15 A.M.

- How to Teach Students to Prepare for Perfect Performances for Recitals and Competitions
Irene Peery-Fox, Conference Guest Artist
- Music History: Why We (Should) Teach It
Kira Theine, NCTM

10:30—11:45 A.M.

- **HONORS RECITAL #4**
- Five Essential Principles to Prevent Musicians' Injuries
Yelena Balabanova, NCTM and Andrew Tan

Conference schedule is subject to change.

Pre-Conference Bonus Event

Join us for the Pre-Conference Bonus Event on Tuesday evening, June 18 from 5-8 pm at Thomas Hall! This event will serve as a conference “meet and greet” with substantial finger foods served and a musical interlude.



Call for Door Monitors

We need volunteer door monitors! Your duties will include: distributing handouts to session attendees and manning the doors during the session. That's it! You'll be able to listen to the presenter's session while you monitor—so you won't miss a thing. Contact Elena Aleksandrova at lana88keys@gmail.com if you are available!



Young Professionals Get Together



Attention Young Professionals! Join us for appetizers and conversation at the Young Professionals Get Together on Thursday, June 19. Mark Stevens, NCTM will host a brief presentation and discussion on *Avenues to Academia: Making Yourself Marketable for a Career in Higher Education*.

2019 Washington State MTNA Performance Competitions & Outstanding Artist Competition (OAC)

November 9-11, 2019 · Whitworth University · Spokane, WA



Registration Deadline: September 11, 2019

The Washington State MTNA Performance Competition and the WSM TA Outstanding Artist Competition will run concurrently Saturday-Monday, **November 9-11, 2019**, at Whitworth University in Spokane.

WASHINGTON STATE MTNA PERFORMANCE COMPETITIONS

Registration Deadline: **3:00 pm EASTERN time on September 11, 2019**, register online at www.mtna.org.

Divisions: Junior (age 11-14), Senior (age 15-18), Young Artist (age 19-26); Piano, String, Woodwind, Piano Duet*, Brass**, Voice**

*Piano Duet is available in the Senior Division only.

**Brass and Voice are available in the Senior and Young Artist Divisions only.

First Place Winners have the opportunity to advance to Northwest Division and National Competitions, and are also invited to perform at the WSM TA State Conference in June 2020.

Effective with the 2019-2020 competition year, Chamber Music Competitions will move to a two-tier competition: the preliminary round, by video submission only; and the final round, live at the MTNA National Conference. Ensembles will

compete without regard to the state or division in which they live or take lessons, and seven ensembles will be selected in both the String and Wind categories from a nationwide pool of applicants to compete in the final round.

WSM TA OUTSTANDING ARTIST COMPETITION

Registration Deadline: **September 11, 2019**, register online at www.wsmta.org.

Divisions: Junior Piano (age 11-14), Senior Piano (age 15-18)

Competition Schedule: Junior Division begins Saturday morning, Senior Division concludes by Monday afternoon.

First, Second, and Third Place Winners in each division are awarded cash prizes. First Place Winners are also invited to perform at the WSM TA State Conference in June 2020.

2019 OAC Judges: Jensina Oliver, NCTM, Jee Wong, NCTM, and Selina Chu, NCTM

—Cherie Felts, OAC Chair and Colleen Hunter, WSM TA MTNA Performance Competitions Chair

Adieu to Kirsten Carlson—A Tribute

Kirsten Carlson is moving back to Ottawa, eh?

We don't want to believe it. But yes, it's true.

As WSMTA's Administrative Coordinator (formerly Executive Manager) since 2015, Kirsten has been indispensable to the WSMTA Board of Directors and to the WSMTA community.

Here are just a handful of ways Kirsten supported WSMTA's members:

- Couldn't log onto the WSMTA website? Kirsten helped you navigate the technical hurdles.
- Needed certificates and gold seals for the Music Literacy Program? Asked Kirsten and they appeared.
- Had questions about the annual Conference? Kirsten answered them or directed you to the resources you needed.
- Wanted to brainstorm ideas for a new program, policy or project? Kirsten provided a fresh perspective to help you problem-solve.

These are just a few of the many ways Kirsten has impacted each and every one of us in WSMTA. Kirsten has been a supportive colleague, a hard-working and responsive member of the WSMTA Board, and a fantastic friend. We will miss Kirsten's creativity, professionalism and infectious laugh!

So with much gratitude and sadness, we bid Kirsten farewell and wish her all the very best for her future.

Yes, it's true—WSMTA's loss is Canada's gain!

—Kathy Mortensen, WSMTA Vice-President & RoseMarie Tamburri, IMTF Chair



We will miss you, Kirsten!



2019 Hall of Fame Honorees

The Hall of Fame committee is pleased to announce that three honorees will be inducted into the WSM TA Hall of Fame at the Conference Banquet on Wednesday, June 19, 2019.

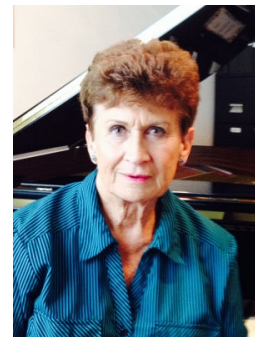
Julianne Barnaby of Tri-City Chapter, **Danene Knudsen** of Yakima/Ellensburg Chapter, and **Karen Scholten** of Lynden Chapter were selected because of their dedication to teaching excellence in their studios, elevation of musical education and support in their communities, and leadership and innovation in both their chapters, district, and state offices.

Congratulations to Julianne, Danene, and Karen! We congratulate you for your dedication and commitment! We look forward to honoring you on June 19 and welcome the membership to attend this special ceremony in recognition of your noble accomplishments!

—*Mary Ellen Cavelti, NCTM, Hall of Fame Chair*



Julianne Barnaby



Danene Knudsen



Karen Scholten

DISTRICT AND CHAPTER NEWS

Chapter Spotlight: Lake Washington Chapter Participates in International *Bach in the Subways* Event

On March 23-24, many students of teachers in the Lake Washington Chapter participated in *Bach in the Subways* events in the Greater Eastside. Our local events were located at the Crossroads Mall in Bellevue, WA and at the Sammamish Library in Sammamish, WA. We congratulate over 50 students for participating in the public performance of the music of J.S. Bach and his sons. While the majority of performers were pianists, string players and others also performed.

This event was coordinated in cooperation with the official *Bach in the Subways* event in Greater Seattle. The Lake Washington Music Teachers Association and its teachers were recognized as official participants in the Bach in the Subways event. —*Mary Anne Szollar, Lake Washington Chapter Member*



Bach in the Subways at the Crossroads Mall, Bellevue, WA

DISTRICT AND CHAPTER NEWS

WSMTA State Recitalists

District & Chapter Representatives will perform at the WSMTA State Conference in Tacoma, WA on June 19-21, 2019.

PIANO RECITALISTS

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H.M.	Annika Jonson	Kagari Tanabe

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H.M.	Mia Bunce	Lori Germer, NCTM
H.M.	Kyle Strottman	Sue Dole

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Alt. 2	Deeana Han	Sasha Starceвич
Alt. 3	Michelle Cao	Yunbo Cassidy
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H.M.	Sherry Fei	Renata Shumskaya
H.M.	Jeffrey Zhao	Maria Maltseva
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H.M.	Sandy Huang	Michi Hirata North
H.M.	Lily Bai	Soonja Kim

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H.M.	David Kocaj	Roxanne Kar
H.M.	William Bender	Frances Goei, NCTM

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H.M.	Teresa Sullivan	Susan Luebeck

GRAYS HARBOR CHAPTER

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KITSAP COUNTY CHAPTER

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Alt. 1	Kai Canton	Irene Bowling, NCTM
Alt. 2	Cyrus Yan	Irene Bowling, NCTM

LAKE WASHINGTON CHAPTER

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LEWIS COUNTY CHAPTER

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H.M.	Jisu Hahn	Karen Monroe
H.M.	Grace Grimes	Rosetta Patterson
H.M.	Serina Stehr	Judy Meyers
H.M.	Grace Grimes	Rosetta Patterson

DISTRICT AND CHAPTER NEWS

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VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL RECITALISTS

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Rep. 2	Angelina Tang, <i>voice</i>	Shih-Yi Kuan
Alt. 1	Daniel Wegemann, <i>flute</i>	Iris Ingram

DISTRICT III

RANK	STUDENT	TEACHER
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Alt. 1	Alana Yudha-Wright, <i>voice</i>	Melanie Stroud, NCTM

DISTRICT IV

RANK	STUDENT	TEACHER
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Alt. 1	Ellie Kim, <i>violin</i>	Lily Burton, NCTM

DISTRICT V

RANK	STUDENT	TEACHER
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DISTRICT VI

RANK	STUDENT	TEACHER
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SOUTH KING COUNTY CHAPTER—VOICE

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Music Literacy Program (MLP) News



Karen Scholten
Music Literacy
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It has been a great testing year for the Music Literacy Program. Many chapters had a stand-alone event, but this testing material was also used alongside chapters who included it with their Carnival or Olympics event. I would like to say congratulations to each teacher whose students received the gold seal on their certificate (94% and higher on Written

Theory) and a big thank you to each MLP Chair for all their time and effort organizing the testing along with their committee members.

I want to invite each of you to the Music Literacy Workshop on Wednesday, June 10 at 11:45 am at the 2019 WSMTA State Conference at the University of Puget Sound. I will review this great state program for those who have questions, talk about the different testing areas, and give you some helpful ideas to assist your students in being well prepared to take the test. I'm looking forward to seeing new and old friends!

—Karen Scholten, Music Literacy Program Chair
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2019 Music Literacy Program High Honors Report

Students scoring 98% or higher on the Music Literacy Program receive the High Honors award.

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Mary Jackson: Keilei Courtney (3)

Andrea Rackl: Isak Furda (3), Grady Boudreaux (4)

Ben Rosenblatt: David Thomas (3)

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EDMONDS CHAPTER

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2019 Young Composers Project Results

First Place Winners will perform in the Young Composers Project & Commissioned Composer of the Year Recital at the WSMTA State Conference in Tacoma, WA on June 19-21, 2019.

Grades K-2

- 1st Paul Forsyth, *Waltz*,
Student of Maria Sier
- 2nd Lilliam Mergler, *The Horse Race*
Student of Marie Wollam-Mergler
- 3rd Jimmy Huang, *My Summer Trip to Beijing*
Student of Yelena Balabanova

Grade 3

- 1st Jayce Brown, *A Day for a Horse*
Student of Marie Wollam-Mergler
- 2nd Chloe Mergler, *The Train in the Rainstorm*
Student of Marie Wollam-Mergler
- 3rd Nasya Sudarman, *A Bumpy Road*
Student of Kristina Lee

Grade 4

- 1st Adam Lewinsohn, *Chips and Salsa*
Student of Frances Goei
- 2nd Anton Hegerberg, *Hero's Day*
Student of Robert Jones

Grade 5

- 1st Paige Johnson, *In My Treehouse*
Student of Paul Swenson
- 2nd Elliott Brigham, *The Skier*
Student of Andrea Rackl
- 3rd Malaya Minnick, *Halloween Horse*
Student of Cynthia Whalen
- H.M. Ian Caldwell, *Butterfly*
Student of Keva Vaughan-McMorrow

Grade 6

- 1st Irene Dalrymple, *See the Light*
Student of Andrea Rackl
- 2nd Miranda Bennett, *Dancing in the Snow*
Student of Keva Vaughan-McMorrow

Grade 7

- 1st Elaina Miller, *Spanish Dance Suite*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 2nd Rachael Kim, *Dancing in the Rain*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 3rd Keefer Ho, *Die Viecher*
Student of Selina Chu
- H.M. Liam Connor, *Viola Concerto No.1 in D Minor, 1st Mvmt*
Student of Andrea Rackl

Grade 8

- 1st Carson Ling-Efird, *Lost in the Snowstorm: "Home at Last" and "Snow Play"*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 2nd Emma Adkins, *Waltz*
Student of Selina Chu
- 3rd Dora Wang, *The Holly Tree*
Student of Selina Chu
- H.M. Liliana Helm, *From the Bottom of My Heart*
Student of Stephanie Hill
- H.M. Soren Mollman, *Moving Through Time*
Student of Stephanie Hill

Grade 9

- 1st Nathan Paek, *On the Lifestyle of the Pacific Salmon*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 2nd Andrew Yeh, *The Majesty of Greece*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 3rd Kevin Nam, *Contemplating the Clouds*
Student of Sharon Van Valin

Grade 10

- 1st (tie) Maya Cornwell, *Hide and Seek*
Student of Andrea Rackl
- 1st (tie) Sean MacCarthy-Grant, *String Quartet*
Student of Paul Swenson
- 2nd Cooper Low, *Jazz + Minor = Fun*
Heather Forbes

Grade 11

- 1st Akira Nair, *Rosewood Reflection*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 2nd Sarah Wang, *West Meets East: A Suite of Ancient Mythological Women*
Student of Sharon Van Valin
- 3rd Liam Jensen, *The Beginning of Something Grand*
Student of Andrea Rackl

Grade 12

- 1st Claire Campbell, *Melancholy Waltz in C Minor*
Student of Andrea Rackl
- 2nd Aspen Buckingham, *Beauty*
Student of Andrea Rackl

Collegiate

- 1st Tim Gales, *Piano Quartet, 3rd Movement*
Student of Jonathan Middleton
- 2nd Michael Powers, *Through the Oakwood*
Student of Martin Kennedy
- 3rd Tessa Tahtinen, *Four Pink Walls*
Student of Andrea Rackl



Pedal Points: Let Us Make Music More Intensely, More Beautifully, More Devotedly Than Ever Before



Joann Richardson, NCTM
Organ Chair

Part of my morning routine is to read the newspaper while eating breakfast. It can make one weary to read about terrorism, both domestic and abroad, as well as other acts of violence in our world. Violence is nothing new in the course of human history. Atilla the Hun was not a nice guy; the Viking raids were bloody acts; and the Emperor Nero was not known as Mr. Congeniality. Quite frankly,

after I read the news I am tempted to crawl back into bed and pull the covers over my head. Sometimes I feel like the violence of this world is so big that I am powerless to do anything about it.

But am I really powerless?

In response to another violent act, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, Leonard Bernstein stated: “This will be our reply to violence: to make music more intensely, more beautifully, more devotedly than ever before.”

But how can one person’s devotion to making music make a difference? I have always believed that music is powerful. Music can touch the depths of our being, causing us to feel joy in our heart or express our deepest emotions. We have all heard of or been part of stories like these: A student comes to her lesson angry or tense and, after an hour of making music, she departs calm and refreshed. A hospice patient who is agitated becomes tranquil after a musician plays at his bedside. A middle-aged woman who was suddenly widowed tells the organist that the music played at her husband’s funeral was the only thing that was able to unfurl the knots in her stomach. A crowd of politically diverse people at a ballpark forgets their differences for a few moments as they stand to sing “Take Me Out to the Ballgame” during the seventh inning stretch. A music teacher is surprised when a former student who never made it through lesson-book level two calls her and tells her how much music lessons meant to him as a child and that he is planning to start playing the piano again as an adult. A classical pianist performs at a prison and the people incarcerated there listen in silent rapture, amazed that someone cared enough about them to bring them music. The gift of music shared brings light and love into this world.



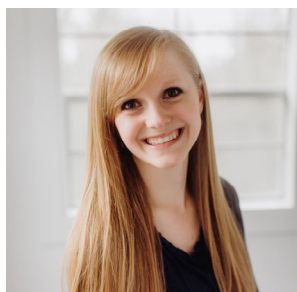
Music matters. Acts of violence are committed by individuals whose mental state has become deranged. Yet the human spirit has always needed to be refreshed by the beauty and expressive potential of the arts. I’ve often wondered what would happen in our society if everyone learned to express emotions by playing an instrument, singing, or learning to actively listen to music. Would a society that knows how to express itself through the arts express itself less through acts of violence? Might an agitated person reach for a musical instrument instead of a gun? What might society be like if people spent more time making music together instead of arguing ideologies on social media?

The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King said, “Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.” Every day, thousands of individual musicians play and teach, bringing music’s gift of light and love to thousands of individuals in this world. Every time we touch someone’s life through the power of music we contribute to making the world a place of light—not darkness. It’s possible that a violent act may have been avoided because the light we gave through music may have driven out the darkness in someone’s soul. So, let us continue to bring light and love into this world by making music intensely, beautifully, and more devotedly than ever before.

WSMTA Conference Preview: I am thrilled to announce that Wyatt Smith, Affiliate Artist in Organ and Harpsichord at University of Puget Sound, will be co-presenting the organ sessions with me. I will also be available throughout the conference to answer any questions you may have. Hope to see you there!

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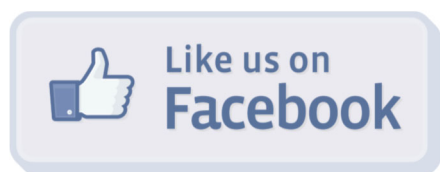
Certification Corner



Rose Freeman, NCTM
Certification Chair

The rain beat gently on my skylight window above as I listened to my student play the final notes of his original composition titled, "Perception." He was rehearsing one last time before our chapter Trudie Woll Composition Competition Honors Recital the following afternoon. Composing challenged my student to apply his music theory skills and learn to craft a beautiful melody within those chords. The last few weeks he had practiced intentionally to listen to his notes and play his composition with artistry. Rather than worry about the recital the next day or if he had done enough practice in the previous weeks, the purpose of this rehearsal was to intentionally be present in the moment. As his hands lifted slowly off the keys, he looked up and smiled.

I think we all can learn from this rehearsal! How often do we worry about what is happening tomorrow or what we could have done yesterday? Being present in the moment with our students and ourselves is gold. The last few weeks I've talked with teachers in a lot of different stages of their five teacher profile projects for National Certification. Music Teachers National Association currently offers certification in piano, voice, violin, flute, and organ. I value these projects because they remind us of our philosophy of teaching. These projects challenge me to be present with each student and to intentionally teach a well rounded education.



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Want to learn more? I'll be sharing more about Certification on Thursday, June 20th at the WSMTA Conference at University of Puget Sound. Join me during the lunch hour at 11:45 am-1:00 pm for an interactive presentation to learn more about these five teacher profile projects. If you're not attending conference, send me an email at rosefreemanmusic@gmail.com with any questions. I'd love to hear from you!

Did you know WSMTA has \$100 grants available to teachers who have applied for MTNA Certification? There are currently five grants available. Send me an email to apply for a grant!

A reminder to all NCTM teachers: if your renewal is due this year that deadline is now here. National Certification renewal is easily accomplished here: <https://certification.mtna.org>.

I look forward to seeing you at the University of Puget Sound June 19-21!

—Rose Freeman, NCTM, WSMTA Certification Chair
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Independent Music Teachers Forum: To Do or Not To Do—That is the Question



Rosemarie Tamburri
IMTF Chair

My work day usually begins with a glance at my “To Do” list. Some days, it is a daunting list. Other days, the tasks seem manageable. The list itself is just a prop; the main task or challenge is to organize my day, week, month, year and all the tasks that need to be done within those timeframes. As independent music teachers, we have a lot “to do.” Being organized, in a purposeful fashion, can make the

difference between feeling overwhelmed and stressed or on top of our game.

A colleague recently asked my advice about dealing with the ominous “to do” list. I’m no expert, but over the course of my career, I’ve learned a few strategies that help maintain balance and sanity!

Here are a few ideas/tips:

- 1) **Prioritize.** Instead of looking at a long list of tasks to accomplish, prioritize the tasks based on urgency and timeliness. Do you need to meet a deadline? Are they tasks to finish before an upcoming lesson? Try to work on things that require immediate attention rather than tasks that would be nice to do but can wait for another time.
- 2) **Decide** what needs to be done, and then take action. A tip I learned from a time-management class I attended years ago was the acronym FAT or (FAR) – File, Act, Trash (Recycle). I try to follow this for any piece of paper that comes my way. Can it wait or is it just for reference? Then File it. Is it a time-sensitive task that requires action? Act – do what needs to be done. Is it an advertisement or piece of paper that has no value? Trash or Recycle it!

- 3) **Look** at your to do file or folder on a regular basis. Out of sight is out of mind so keeping the manual or digital list in the forefront helps keep you on task.
- 4) **Plan ahead.** To borrow a theme from Steven Covey’s “The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People,” “Begin with the End in Mind.” Are you planning a competition, workshop or student recital several months from now? Prioritize and set up a timeline and task list based on those priorities.
- 5) **Reward** yourself! Give yourself a pat on the back for accomplishments, and cut yourself some slack if you don’t do every task on your list. As Scarlett O’Hara once said, “After all, tomorrow is another day.”

Having resources at your fingertips to streamline routine tasks, deal with scheduling, and other tasks of running a business and studio is a key ingredient to time management. Please join us at the pre-conference Resource Roundtable on June 18, at the WSMTA Annual Conference to be held at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma. For further details and to register, visit the WSMTA website: www.wsmta.org. See you in June!

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Peter Mack - *Professor of Piano , Cornish College of the Arts*

Coaching Ensembles, with Master Lesson: Dr. Mack has recently coached winning piano ensembles and soloists at National level competitions. He will be sharing with us his tips and techniques, and demonstrating his coaching via master lessons with students.



Judith Schoepflin - *Professor of Music, Director of Piano Studies, Whitworth University*

Presentation of Teaching Pieces written by Women Composers: Dr. Judith Schoepflin will talk about the repertoire of women composers, and the purpose of teaching art music by women. Emphasis is on literature for the intermediate level piano student.



Greg Pressley - *Professor of Piano, Gonzaga University*

Baroque Dance: Let's Dance! Greg Presley will introduce the general history of Baroque dance forms and the importance of knowing the dance steps in order for the performer of Baroque music to achieve the proper effects. Mr. Presley has worked with the Martha Graham Dance Company in New York and on the dance faculty of Florida State University. Dress comfortably, because you're going to learn some of the Baroque form dance steps: Pavane, Galliard, Minuet, Corrente, Gigue, Allemande, Sarabande and more!

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Register by October 6, 2019 to guarantee lunch.

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