



Official Bulletin of the WSMTA

Eastside Chapter

Message from the President



I am happy to share with you all the precious gifts we have to give our music students. The gifts encompass our own expertise, our experience, and our education and learning that we have received from our teachers. On Monday, January 9th, the chapter

presented a special workshop featuring Michi North. All of the teachers in attendance walked away with a true appreciation for the expertise of Michi. What a privilege to have listened to her talk of the years of walking through the music world of piano.

Upcoming is our general meeting on Monday, January 23rd. Donald Denegar will be presenting the intriguing world of music theory. Yikes, but I think I have forgotten more than I remember learning. That Neapolitan 6th thing...just what is that again? And then inverting it? Donald presents theory in a way that makes it so applicable to the music we study. I am personally looking forward to hear him talk. I hope to see you all there!

In the future months we have the Chopin Competition in February, the adjudications in the first week of March, the EMTA competition, and the SYAMF in Seattle. Many possibilities are presented for learning and growing in this wonderful world of music. I hope that you will avail yourself of these opportunities.

Enjoy the month of January!
~Julie Howe, President, WSMTA Eastside Chapter

EMTA Chapter Meeting

When: Monday, January 23, 2012
Where: Newport Covenant Church
12800 SE Coal Creek Parkway, Bellevue
98006

Schedule:

No Pre-meeting Recital

9:45 am- Business Meeting

10:30 am - Coffee break

10:45 am-12 noon - Program - "Theory in the Studio – YES!!" *presented by Donald Denegar*

Profile:

Please join us as Donald Denegar leads a discussion on teaching theory in the piano lesson. Aspects of the program will involve the visual - on keyboard and staff - the tactile and aural. There will be a hand-out regarding the forms/structures of music. Please bring a pencil and paper for taking notes.

Donald Denegar majored in piano, theory, and music history. Mr. Denegar attended Julliard, Columbia University, and the Universities of Montana, Southern California, and Washington. In addition to studies in organ and the harpsichord, he was a church organist and choir director for several years, and accompanied many BM and MM degree recitals. Mr. Denegar served for two years as president of the Montana S.M.T.A. He has taught piano and theory for more than sixty-five years, and has given lessons in Bellevue since 1967.



Announcements

EMTA Student Recital in February

The next EMTA Student Recital at Oliveland will be on **February 11th at 5pm.**

In order to be included, please sign up at the next Chapter Meeting, January 23rd and bring a check made out to EMTA or \$10 in cash.

In the event that not enough participants sign up, the deadline will be extended to January 28th.

~Christina Bach



Scholarship Competition

Solo Program and Concerto

We are proud to offer the opportunity for you all to attend and participate in the chapter's annual Scholarship Competition. The solo program will be held March 14-17 at the First Presbyterian Church during the hours of 8:00am - 4:30pm (approx.) each day. The concerto competition will be held at Oliveland Studio in Kirkland on Sunday, March 18th, from 8:00am – 7:00pm. We would love to extend to you all the invitation to attend all or a portion of the events presented to you.

Also, know that the concert for the concerto winners will be held on **Sunday, April 19th, at Newport High School, 5pm.** We are so very excited to be able to present this opportunity to our students.

You can participate by helping with timekeeping. Please let Donna Sams know of your desire to help in this area. Thank you all for your support of this event.

~Julie Howe and Renata Shumskaya

Ribbon Festival

Returning in 2013!



The Ribbon Festival is up and running.

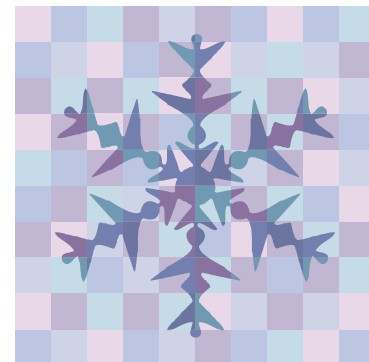
The date for the event will be Saturday, **February 9,**

2013.

We are having a meeting for those interested in helping (please, won't you all consider a way that you can help...) after the general meeting on Monday, January 23rd.

If you would like to join us, please meet at Panera Bread in Factoria Square right after the meeting.

Rachel LaFond
Kerry Itami
Sherry Owen
Julie Howe (observer)
Etc.....includes you.....



Opus submissions:

All articles are due the second Monday of the month. Please send as an attachment in Word format to opuseditor@hotmail.com.