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Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

Current

NOV 7 - SUN - STUDENT RECITAL AT FIRST CHINESE UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH IN FREMONT 2:00PM TO 6:30PM
2856 WASHINGTON BLVD., FREMONT, CA 94539

NOV 10 - WED - GENERAL MEETING AT COMMUNITY OF CHRIST 9:30AM
DR. MARTHA BAKER-JORDAN PEDAGOGY PRESENTATION 10AM TO 12PM
34050 PASEO PADRE PARKWAY, FREMONT, CA 94555

Upcoming

DEC 10 - FRI - BOARD MEETING AT LE PAPILLON 10:30AM
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT LE PAPILLON 11:30AM
37296 MISSION BLVD., FREMONT, CA 94536

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



- ▶ DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 AT 2:00AM (FALL BACK - SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK AN HOUR)
- ▶ NOVEMBER 15TH CM REGISTRATION CLOSES. NO LATE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED
- ▶ NOVEMBER 16TH CM REGISTRATION FEES DUE BY THE DATE AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY TREASURER FRANCIS MARTIN (3132 KIPKING PLACE, FREMONT, CA 94536)
- ▶ DEADLINES FOR COMPOSERS TODAY ARE DECEMBER 15TH

Branch Officers and Chairs

President	Loan Nguyen	683-8712
Vice President	Millie Chiem	783-2123
Treasurer	Frances Martin	708-3279
Corresponding Secretary	Queenie Yiu	505-4088
Recording Secretary	Jeanne Fisher	889-6062
Membership Secretary	Margaret Yong	676-0395
Directors	Leefen Chen, Grace Cheng, Marina Grudskaya, Glen Stark, Frances Wu	
Certificate of Merit	Gloria Ho (Chair)	471-8061
	Gloria Ho (North Region)	
	Grace Cheng (South Region)	
	Ji An, Ling Lee (Honor Recitals)	
	Jeanne Fisher, Susie Kim (Theory Site Coordinators)	
	Patricia Meissner-Kast (Woodwinds)	
Student Recitals	Marina Grudskaya	793-6826
Composers Today	Glen Stark	623-1314
Directory	Margaret Yong	
Historian - Scrapbook	Sr. Andre Marie Fujier	
Parliamentary	Jeanne Fisher	
Sunshine	Carmencita Aspiras	
VOCE (voice, strings & woodwind)	Dr. Jiang Wu	

November 15 Registration closes
November 16 Deadline for money for CM to Frances Martin, treasurer. NOT postmarked, she must receive the money by this day or your students will not be registered. NO EXCEPTIONS.

If you have any questions regarding CM procedure or program, please address them to Queenie Yiu. She is the Information Coordinator.

All issues regarding volunteering for jobs are handled by Jeanne Fisher.

All questions regarding studio hosting will still go to me directly.

E-mail your requests, problems, questions, rather than telephone us, unless you feel you are not getting a response from us through e-mails.

RECALLING STUDENTS

If you do not have a student take a CM exam for a year, the following year, they are removed from your student re-enroll list. That's to keep your teacher page clean of clutter. If you decide to register the student for an exam, after having skipped a year or years, then you contact me, and ask me to RECALL them on your list. I am pretty good about doing it within the day. Your student has not been deleted, lost, etc. I cannot delete people off the list. You should not delete anybody off your list either, though I don't think you are able.

TRANSFERRING STUDENTS

If you have a student who came from another teacher within our branch or from another branch and has taken the CM exam, then you go to new registration, but you do not register as new. You click on the box yes, where there is a question in red that asks, has this student changed teachers since last CM? Then you fill out the information completely and submit.

The branch to branch transfer is handled by the CM coordinator. The teacher to teacher within the branch transfer is handled by me. The problem is that you have to fill out the information completely. The comments in black about the boxes that need to be filled are very clear what the process is. You can get this information from the past tests very easily.

A reminder that **ALL CHECKS, TEACHER WORK AGREEMENT, AND THE STUDENT FEES LIST TOTALS PAGE** must be in the hands of our treasurer, Frances Martin by November 16. No exceptions. If you are late, you will be locked out of CM. It will be up to the branch board to decide to reverse the action. You can state your plea with them after November 16.

You must also make sure you print the CM 2011 Student Fees List total page on-line. If you click on Student Fees, the first page you see is the total you owe. That page you should print and include with your check.

Any deviation from these three items, I have instructed Frances not to accept incomplete or missing or wrong documents. She will call you and tell you to come pick up the incorrect material.

SO, do NOT send parent checks. Send one check from you that pay the total. Do NOT send in a list of your students broken down by levels. Frances is not interested in your list of students. She only wants the total of Path A and Path B page, which is the first thing you see when you click on Student Fees. Print that page. Do NOT be late.

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25TH ANNUAL BEETHOVEN COMETITION

The Ira Brilliant Center for Beethoven Studies and the American Beethoven Society is pleased to announce the 25th annual Young Pianists Beethoven Competition to be held on May 1st, 2011 at San Jose State University. We are very happy to have Mr. Kirill Gerstein as our artist-master teacher. Some of his outstanding achievements include--First Prize at the 2001 Arthur Rubinstein Piano Competition, Carnegie Hall's "Rising Star" for the 2005-06 season and the 2010 Gilmore Artist Award. In addition to presenting the masterclass Mr. Gerstein will present a recital performing works by Liszt and Beethoven on Friday, April 29th (2011) at San Jose State University.

Please note that the competition brochure will be mailed out in September.

For more information contact John David Thomsen at (408) 258-8703 or Celia Mendez at (408)-978-2212.

Michael Toschak, a former member, has Julie Johnson College AP Theory for people. He can be contacted at toschak@sbcglobal.net or (510)304-3222. They can also order from www.musicteach.org.

PIANO CONCERTO COMPETITION

Las Positas College in Livermore is planning to program Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue on the college orchestra concert on May 4, 2011. This will be part of the inaugural season for the new Center for the Arts, which opened in Fall 2010, and the concert will take place in the new 500 seat theater.

A competition is planned to find a young piano soloist. The age range will be 14 - 24, and try-outs and selection will be done in February, 2011. Specific application information is available now. If you would like application forms or if you have questions, contact Mary Campbell at mcampbell@laspositascollege.edu.

SEEKING VOCAL ACCOMPANIST

South Valley Voice Studio -- Morgan Hill is seeking for a classical pianist (vocal accompanist). Candidate must be an excellent or very good sight-reader for opera, musical theater, popular repertoire. For information, please call (650)207-2609 or (408)500-8365, or email to Allen Cathcart at southvalleyvoice@gmail.com.

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Pedagogy Presentation Dr. Martha Baker-Jordan

November 10, 2010 Wednesday 10AM to 12PM
Community of Christ (34050 Paseo Padre Parkway)

Dr. Martha Baker-Jordan, Professor Emeritus, California State University, Fullerton, will give a PowerPoint/Lecture Demonstration for piano teachers at all levels with pedagogical principles applicable to music teachers of all instruments. Her presentation will explain how to use any teaching materials in a better, more organized, and pedagogically sound way. She will demonstrate some principles from her top-selling text Practical Piano Pedagogy but her emphasis will NOT be on selling the book but elaborating on the many topics contained therein including the state-of-the-art CD-ROM for Mac and PC that enables teachers to adapt and personalize more than 50 forms for use in their own teaching studios. Information on the business of piano teaching, recruitment, tuition, technical tips, learning styles, the transfer student, methods and materials, motivation, jazz and many other teaching tips will be included. Her presentation is applicable not only for less experienced teachers, but also for more experienced ones who desire to improve and enhance their current teaching.

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? A Day with Melody Bober... ?

Saturday May 14, 2011

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

- "Energize Your Studio" Workshop 9:00-10:00 am
- Alfred Music Showcase featuring M. Bober music 10:00-11:00 am
- Luncheon with Melody Bober 11:30- 1:00 pm
- Master Class 1:00- 2:30 pm
- Student Recital 3:00- 4:30 pm

Energize your studio! Spend a day of professional training with one of today's most widely respected composers. Melody Bober has more than 25 years of experience in music education. Come and be inspired by music that can bring standing ovations to your recitals! This event will be held at:

Lions Gate Hotel & Conference Center
3410 Westover Street
McClellan, formerly AFB (Sacramento), CA 95652

Calendar this event now! Plan on attending!

- \$50.00 to attend this multi-faceted seminar of training, motivation and inspiration to help build your business.
- Luncheon is included with your admission.
- Master Class and Recital is open to the teachers/students of the Sacramento County Branch only.
- **Student participation is contingent upon receipt of the teacher's application fee.**

This event is sponsored by MTAC Sacramento County Branch.



Welcome to New Member(s)

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