

## SOUTH SUBURBAN MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

November 2010 Newsletter

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### CALENDAR

- November 9: **SSMTA November Meeting** at Arapahoe Road Baptist Church, 780 E. Arapahoe Road; 9:30 a.m. Achievement Day forms will be available at this meeting
- November 12-13 **SSMTA Ensemble Event**, Baker Piano Center (Please note: Baker Piano Center is on the opposite side of the mall & now faces County Line, not C-470)
- November 14: **Ann Schein Recital.** Works by Chopin and Schumann, Grusin Music Hall, CU/Boulder, 4:30 p.m.
- November 15: **Ann Schein Master Class**, CU/Boulder, 2:00 p.m.
- November 16: **Ann Schein Lecture.** Topics: Teaching Schumann/Chopin and her lessons with Rubinstein. CU/Boulder, Room C-125, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- November 20: **Deadline to enter students in the December 4 SSMTA Student Recitals**
- December 4: **SSMTA Student Recitals**, Baker Piano Center; 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Please bring a canned food item for the Food Bank
- December 7: **SSMTA Dec. Meeting/Holiday Musicale/Potluck** at Arapahoe Road Baptist Church, 780 E. Arapahoe Road; 9:30 a.m.
- December 17: **Deadline for Achievement Day forms and fees** to be received by Stephen Fiess

Feb. 12, 2011: **SSMTA Student Achievement Day**, LDS church, Foothills Canyon Parkway, Highlands Ranch (Please note new location)

### MEASURE FOR MEASURE

*from Linda Vogan, President*

It's hard to believe that the Holidays are upon us already! Our Hallowe'en recital is behind us, and over 100 students participated! Ensemble Event promises to be a fun and well-organized event as always. As you start choosing Christmas music for all your students and begin to think in advance about Achievement Day and Masterworks Festival, it's easy to get a little overwhelmed, isn't it? In the midst of the busyness, I hope you have time to slow down and really ENJOY the music and other things that fill up these months.

Be encouraged that all the studies affirm the **extraordinary value of what you are doing:**

- Music education encourages the pursuit of higher education
- The more music education one has, the more likely she is to have a higher income, a greater sense of person, and more work/life fulfillment.
- These skills are enhanced by studying music: the ability to work toward common goals, striving for excellence, a disciplined approach to solving problems, creative problem solving, and flexibility in work situations (Harris Poll, 2007)

Wow! What we are doing is important and fulfilling! Not many people can say that about their daily work, so we are very fortunate to be doing what we love and making an impact as well.

### TEACHER REFERRAL

If you have any openings for new students, our SSMTA Referral Chair Dorothy Lomme has requested that you call her as soon as possible. Her phone number is (303) 798-5579.

### ACCOMPANIST REFERRAL LIST

Linda Cody, 796-0369; Stephen Fiess, 791-6473; Barb Galuzzi, 936-1772; Alicia Johansson, 797-9630; Nancy Kettering, 204-6430;

Carol Rankin, 477-2686; Cheryl Saborsky, 771-2532. Please contact newsletter editors if you wish to have your name added to this list!

## MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12, 2010 SSMTA MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Vogan at 9:30 A.M.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the September 2010 Minutes.

Linda Cody read the Treasurer's report, and it was accepted as read. We have \$11,602.42 in the Savings Account, and \$5,205.92 in the Checking Account.

### PROGRAMS

Marilyn Madsen announced that the October SSMTA program would be on the piano works of Robert Schumann, presented by SSMTA member Dr. Stephen Fiess.

### MEMBERSHIP

A new member, Kelli Colas, was introduced.

Bonnie Kreutz distributed the new 2010-2011 yearbook. Thanks, Bonnie! Several members took yearbooks to give to those members not present.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The next recital is the Hallowe'en recital at the Whole Foods in the Southglenn Mall. The pieces need to be memorized to obtain certificate points, but students may play from music if desired. No copied music is to be used. If music is downloaded, the receipt must be shown.

The SSMTA Ensemble Event applications were due by September 16<sup>th</sup> to Marilyn Madsen or Yoko Ashcroft. The same rules apply regarding copied/downloaded music. The Event will take place on Friday and Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to Page 11 in the SSMTA Yearbook for detailed information.

**2011 SSMTA Achievement Day is February 12.**

**2011 SSMTA Masterworks Festival is March 5.**

### REFERRALS

Dorothy Lomme mentioned that teachers are in need of students. She is receiving fewer calls for lessons.

### REMINDERS:

### SPARKS

Linda asked for help putting out music at 9:00 a.m. on meeting days. Ruth Wyeno volunteered to help set up materials.

### CSMTA

For the community outreach program "*Play it Forward*", each studio teacher is encouraged to ask students to bring non-perishable food items to their lessons. The teachers will then bring these items to the meetings in October, November, and December. The CSMTA logo will be attached to the bags. All food items will go to the First Baptist Community Church where CSMTA meetings are held. A prize will be given for the most food brought in by an individual studio!

### 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CSMTA

Linda encouraged long-time members to share memories of CSMTA for the "90 Memories of 90 Years" for the State Convention.

### CSMTA WEBSITE

Linda handed out a paper listing the various ways in which the CSMTA Website can be useful to us and encouraged us to make use of this site. Also, "*News and Notes*", all forms, etc., **are available online** for use at your convenience.

### MTNA OFFERINGS

Linda mentioned that there are loans available for those who would like to join MTNA but are unable to do so because of financial concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 by Linda Vogan.

Refreshments were provided by Barb Galuzzi, Ruth Wyeno, and Liane Rockley.

After the meeting, the members enjoyed an excellent informative and entertaining program on the piano music of Robert Schumann, presented by Dr. Stephen Fiess.

Respectfully submitted.  
Sheila Conolly-McKin



### OUR CONDOLENCES

SSMTA extends our heartfelt condolences to Maureen Keil and her family, on the passing of Maureen's husband, Ellsworth ("Ell"). In addition to sending cards, memorial donations may be made online or by mail to FACES, whose mission is to prevent child abuse, neglect, and family violence. <http://www.facesonline.org/> FACES, 3801 E. Florida Avenue, # 715, Denver, CO 80210



### SSMTA MASTERWORKS FESTIVAL

*Ardith Sloan, Committee Chair*

Yes, it's time to be thinking about assigning repertoire pieces for the 2011 SSMTA Masterworks Festival, March 5, 2011.

Guidelines for the event may be found on Pages 15 and 16 of the SSMTA Membership Directory. Repertoire should be chosen from either of the following composer lists: Hinson's *Guide to the Pianist's Repertoire*; McGrath's *The Pianist's Guide to Standard Teaching and Performance Literature*; or the MTNA Composer list (see CSMTA Student Activities section in your CSMTA State Directory).

Teachers desiring to enter students on instruments not covered in the Guidelines, or to enter a student with a repertoire piece not listed in the above literature guides should contact the Masterworks Committee Chair **by Friday, November 19, 2010.**

Listed below are additional repertoire pieces that the Masterworks committee has approved. Pieces are listed as Composer: *Title* (year approved):

W. Gillock: *Mirage* (2005)  
W. Gillock: *Fountain of Diana* (2006)

M.T. von Paradis: *Sicilienne* (2006)  
W. Gillock: *Sonatine* (2008), all movements  
Jon George: all pieces in Section 3 of *Patterns for Piano* (2008)  
Jon George: all pieces in *Students' Choice, Set 4* (2008)  
Haslinger: *Sonatina* in C major (20208)

I would be glad to mentor any teacher who would like help with Masterworks Festival. If you have any questions regarding repertoire selection, please contact me at (303) 470-1219.

### SSMTA MEETING DAY SCHEDULE Tuesday, November 9, 2010

9:00 -- 9:15 a.m.	Board Meeting
9:15 -- 9:30 a.m.	Arrival and Refreshments
9:30 -- 10:30 a.m.	SSMTA General Meeting
10:45 -- 11:45 a.m.	November program

### PLEASE HELP THE MEETING RUN SMOOTHLY

Help is needed from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. to set up the tables with boxes of SPARKS music. This should also be the time that materials are put on the sign-in table.

Please arrive on time for refreshments if you plan to partake, and be seated at the tables by 9:30 so we can begin the meeting on time.

Please plan to stay for the program.

### AT OUR NOVEMBER SSMTA MEETING

Our November meeting program will feature a master class on technique, presented by Crystal Lee. Please plan to stay for this very special program!

### REFRESHMENTS FOR OUR NOVEMBER MEETING

Refreshments for our November meeting will be provided by Elaine Van Dellen, Jill Henton, and Dorothy Lomme.

Thanks to all who have provided refreshments during this past year!



## PIANOS FOR SALE

Two **Cable console pianos**. Blond wood finishes. Asking \$500.00/obo for each piano. (Seller has offered to donate a large portion of the proceeds from the sale of each piano to SPARKS.) For more information, please call Stephen Fiess or Neal Wegener, (303) 791-6473

**Bradbury console piano** made by Aeolian. Dark oak finish. Asking \$800.00/obo. For more information, please call Lynette at (303) 683-8843.

