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BOULDER AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
Achievement Day--May 9, 2009
University of Colorado, Imig Music Building

PURPOSE: The purpose of this program is to recognize each student's talents and interests, as well as to support and guide the teacher in an effort to provide a quality music education and give a rewarding and motivating experience at the culmination of the school year. This year we are adding two extra features. For fun, there will be a **Musical Scavenger Hunt** during the day. We also will offer a **Composers Master Class** with Toby Tenenbaum. In addition, BAMTA may pay the entry fee for outstanding student art entries and composition entries that qualify for the state and national level competitions. We will let you know the art theme as soon as available.

REQUIREMENTS: Each student is required to play one composition from memory and another with music. They are expected to answer theory questions pertaining to their music and to play scales in the keys of their pieces. In addition, each student chooses 2 or 5 options from a list of 22 offerings. These options include additional pieces, art projects, written reports, performing on a second instrument, ensembles or duets, original compositions, written tests on Theory, Terms and Signs, Music History and Ear Training, Sight Reading or playing Scales, Chords, and Arpeggios. Each teacher can find a complete list of the details on pages 6-14 in the Student Activities Handbook that was sent as a supplement to the **Notes and News**—September 2008.

HOW DOES IT WORK: There are 12 levels within the Achievement Day program, plus Preparatory A and B levels. Each student enters at a level that is appropriate for his/her repertoire and options chosen. The student will be scheduled to perform their 2 pieces for an evaluator and will receive written comments on his/her performance, including both positive comments and suggestions for improvement. Some options are done and turned in before that day, and other options are done on a "drop-in" basis at any time during the day. Upon completion, the student will receive a certificate listing his/her achievements as well as a ribbon memento of participation.

BONUS: We would encourage students to register for, and become a **Super Achiever**. Super Achievers are students who pass their 2 required pieces and complete 5 options (one must be a written test with a score of 80% or higher). Successful Super Achievers are rewarded with a special medallion.

WHEN and HOW DO WE REGISTER?: Student entrance fees are payable to the teachers and are as follows:

\$13—Pre A to Level 4

\$15—Levels 5-8

\$18—Levels 9-12

There is a \$5 additional charge for each Super

Achiever

Registration deadline is **April 11 (or bring registration and projects to the BAMTA meeting on April 8)**. Please send your information and one check to cover all students from each studio to Irene Jergensen, 727 Ridge Creek Ct. Longmont 80501-4006.

Sincerely,

Irene Jergensen, Lois Abbuhl

Co-Chairs of Achievement Day