



BAMTA BEAT

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President's Letter

Spring brings new events and opportunities. Two conferences will take place including MTNA National Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 20 - 24 and the CSMTA Conference June 2 - 5 in Northglenn, Colorado. I hope you are planning on attending at least part of one of these wonderful events. The CSMTA Conference is relatively easy to get to and I would like to encourage those of you who can to attend the Local Association Lunch Buffet on Friday, June 4. Let's have a solid BAMTA representation at State!

Achievement Day is just around the corner and as you know, the committee has been working hard on making all the written tests an even higher caliber than they were. We are looking forward to trying this out and hearing back from all of you. Thank you in advance for trying this out and for your feedback.

Matthew Witherow, a CU Grad Student will be giving a 15 minute presentation at our March meeting. Be prepared for a delightful surprise. After our business meeting, Heather Hall will be giving a presentation which promises to be a wonderful adventure exploring using technology in the studio. While

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 13	8:00am-3:00pm "Keyboard Day" CU College of Music, Imig Building
Mar. 14	4:30pm Lisa Harrington's DMA Recital Grusin Auditorium, CU
Mar. 17	9:00am BAMTA meeting 9:45am Special guest Matthew Witherow: "Music of Henry Cowell" 10:00am Program: Heather Hall "Studio Technology"
Mar. 20-24	MTNA Conference in Albuquerque, NM
Apr. 6	BAMTA Student Recital registration due to Emily Miller
Apr. 10	Achievement Day registration due to Harumi Tabler
Apr. 11	3:00pm BAMTA Student Recital Harvest Baptist Church
Apr 21	9:00am BAMTA meeting 10:00am Program: Karen Ziegler "Just in Time for Summer: Fun and Creative Activities"
May 7	Ensemble Festival registration Due to Barb Grout
May 8	9:00am-4:30pm Achievement Day CU College of Music, Imig Building
May 19	9:00am BAMTA meeting 10:00am Program: MPF Selections
Jun 2-5	CSMTA Conference Ramada Plaza and Convention Center Northglenn, Colorado

I'm mentioning the programs, I would like to thank Lyn Nelson for the excellent job she has done scheduling the presentations this year. Thank you Lyn! It's been great having our own members share with us.

Since Spring also brings the job of filing taxes and facing the business aspect of teaching music, I would like to mention a useful book I recently purchased. It is entitled The Business of Teaching Music by Cyrus Albertson. It presents an easy read, a well organized guide to the business of teaching music and some excellent suggestions for increasing income as well as a review and samples of tax forms used by music teachers. He can be reached at cy@albertsonmusic.com.

On last thing, COME AND SUPPORT OUR OWN LISA HARRINGTON as she plays her Doctoral Student Recital this Sunday, March 14 at 4:30 pm, Grusin Music Hall, CU College of Music. It is a wonderful way to welcome in Spring!

Hope to see you all soon.

Nancy Sundal

BAMTA ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL May 15 4:00pm

Message from Barb Grout: "Collaborating musically with others increases musical skills and it's fun! Some of my fondest memories are playing music with another person or group of people. The relationships that I have made during ensemble playing have lasted all my life. They have outdistanced time and space.

Every year BAMTA sponsors an event that will start your students' life-time memories and it is called the Ensemble Festival. Do your students have siblings that play different instruments and would like to play together on a concert? Now is the time to start picking out and practicing this music.

An ensemble is when two or more people play together. This can be a piano duet, cello solo with piano accompaniment, a violin, cello piano trio or whatever instrumentation you come up with. Only one of the students in the ensemble has to have a teacher who is a BAMTA member to participate. The Bamta Ensemble Festival will take place this year on May 15th @ 4:00pm at Harvest Baptist Church, and registration is due by May 8. Email me at

UPCOMING PERFORMANCE

Lisa Harrington will present her second **DMA Piano Recital** featuring Bach, Chabrier and Beethoven's "Appassionata" on Sunday, March 14 at 4:30pm in Grusin Auditorium, CU.

NEW BLOG

One of our new members, **Cynthia Irion**, has a new blog where she explores issues around sight-reading with the help of an optometrist. She welcomes teachers' and students' comments. You can read her blog at sightreadingpianomusic.blogspot.com.

BOOKS

Alexandra Pierce's book, **Deepening Musical Performance through Movement**, will be reprinted by Indiana University Press in paperback and available on February 3 for \$24.95.

CSMTA OFFICERS 2010-2011

BAMTA will be well-represented: **Grace Asquith**, President, **Alejandro Cremaschi**, President Elect, and **Lois Abbuhl**, Secretary.

RECITAL SCHEDULING

Please call **Kate Smailer** at 303-530-4760 to schedule your recital at Harvest Baptist Church. The cost is \$45 for a 3 hour block of time.

EVENTS AT CU COLLEGE OF MUSIC

Robert Koenig, Master Class

Monday, March 8, 2:00pm, Grusin Auditorium

John Owings, Master Class and performance

Monday, March 15, 2:00pm, Grusin Auditorium

Keyboard Day - an opportunity to meet and share information about CU's piano department with independent teachers, their students and families. You and your students can:

- Attend or participate in a master class conducted by our faculty
- Attend mini-sessions on piano pedagogy, collaborative piano, keyboard literature, harpsichord, and piano technology
- Learn about our current programs of study in collaborative piano, piano pedagogy, piano performance, and harpsichord and organ performance
- Attend a round-table discussion of music careers and college study and interact with our current students and faculty
- Have lunch in one of the CU cafeterias with our faculty
- Take a campus tour

To register or for more information, contact Andrew Cooperstock at cooperstock@colorado.edu.

**THANK YOU,
ROCKLEY'S MUSIC**

Last month, Rockey's donated 5% of their sales of Alfred Publications to BAMTA. This amounted to \$400. We thank the Rockley family very much! Liane Rockley comes to the BAMTA meetings every month and will hand deliver music orders to you. Rockley's has a tremendous selection of music and usually only needs a few days to put an order together. You can contact Aaron Shields: aarons@rockleymusic.com

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