



ST. LOUIS AREA
MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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February Meeting

Wednesday, February 24 @ 10:00 a.m.
Steinway Gallery

Our February meeting will feature Hye-Jung Hong and Wei-Han Su in a concert of piano duo and duet music. Most of you will be familiar with these pianists—they are both on the faculty at Missouri State in Springfield and they are Co-Vice Presidents of Auditions for MMTA. Their program will feature music by Mendelssohn, Bolcom, Helps, Ravel, Dello Joio and Rachmaninoff. Please go to the SLAMTA website for a complete program listing and their bios.

Romantic Studio Recital-Openings Still Available

The SLAMTA Studio Recital featuring music from the Romantic era is scheduled for Saturday, February 20 at 4:00 p.m. at the Steinway Gallery. We still have room for performers. Please contact Wendy Martin at: www.dubyah@sbcglobal.net. This event is for students of all levels and ages.

2010 Monster Concert

The Monster Concert will be held on Saturday, June 19 at 1:00 p.m. at Missouri Baptist University. The rehearsals will be held on Friday, June 18 beginning at 3:00. The Repertoire list and an updated entry form have been posted on the Events section of the website. PLEASE NOTE: copies of all the repertoire will be available for you to see at the February 24 SLAMTA meeting.

NEW THIS YEAR!! We are having a contest to design the T-shirt for the Monster Concert. This contest is for student participants—please see the Events section of the website for details!

Other Upcoming Events

- Sunday, February 21, 2:30 p.m.—Young Artist 2009 Gold Medal Winners in Recital at Christ Church Cathedral
- Saturday, April 17—SLAMTA Young Artist Competition (Entry deadline is March 27) Info and entry forms available on the website.

NEWS FROM MTNA

Have a pedagogical or business issue or question? E-mail the MTNA Professional Support Line. The Professional Support Line is a way for MTNA to provide assistance to members who have questions of a pedagogical or business nature and would like to consult with someone knowledgeable about their situation.

Rachel Kramer, NCTM, is an MTNA volunteer who has offered her expertise to MTNA's Professional Support Line. Simply send her an e-mail, and she will be sure to get back to you.

The Professional Support Line is available to members of MTNA to support day-to-day questions in two broad areas—pedagogy and business. Past questions addressed have included such topics as information on grants, music, acoustical standards of building a new music facility, ASCAP issues, Certification, copyright issues, developing a plan to become a music teacher, creating relationships between other music organizations and local MTNA affiliates, writing studio policies, finding out of print music, music merchandise questions, prospective member information, lesson fee structure, assistance helping a member supplement their dues through local and state support, health insurance, special learners, finding other music teachers, non-compete agreements, independent contractor/employee contracts, buying and selling music studios, contractual arrangements with ensembles and partnerships and zoning. The Professional Support Line is also the point of contact for any legal consultation services.

To reach Rachel and the Professional Support Line, simply e-mail professionalsupport@mtna.org.