

EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY MTAC

OCTOBER 2012 NEWSLETTER

Greetings to all of our fellow teachers at the ESFV MTAC. Below you will find the Minutes of the September 19th meeting (graciously hosted by Sharon Shaheed in her wonderful Piano Play studios in Sherman Oaks), important dates for all of our upcoming branch events, and announcements about a Master Class led by our very own Mark Richman and a concert by Paul Pitman. I want to remind everyone that we now have a fully functional and extremely useful website at mtacsfev.org where you can find all important upcoming dates of events, information on CM, festivals, recitals and competitions, a directory, and many other helpful items. Please click on the link above and visit our site! As always, I wish to remind everyone that if you have any musical events you'd like advertised here, I'd be glad to do it for you. Just send me any fliers or letters (as you'd like them presented on the newsletter) to ah9653@aol.com.

Thank you all for your continued support of our branch,
Arjang Hedayati

IMPORTANT DATES

- OCT 14TH GENERAL AND POP MUSIC RECITAL
CHAired BY MICHAEL PAUL
KEYBOARD CONCEPTS IN SHERMAN OAKS
DUE DATE FOR ENTRY: OCT. 1ST
- NOV 18TH CONTEMPORARY MUSIC FESTIVAL
CHAired BY GILLIAN SMITH AND RITA HOVANESIAN
LA VALLEY COLLEGE
DUE DATE: OCT. 29TH

- JAN. 13TH GENERAL RECITAL (MOSTLY BEGINNERS)
CHAired BY ANAHIT SEVOYAN
STEINWAY GALLERY
DUE DATE: DEC. 31ST
- FEB. 17TH: CLASSICAL AND ROMANTIC FESTIVAL
CHAired BY ED GROSSMAN
STEINWAY GALLERY
DUE DATE: JAN 28TH
- MAR. 10TH CM FOR STRINGS AND WOODWINDS
CHAired BY RACHEL LONERGAN AND FRANCINE PANCOST
LA VALLEY COLLEGE
- MAR 16TH, 17TH CM FOR PIANO
CHAired BY SHARON SHAHEED
VALLEY COLLEGE
- MAR 24TH HONORS RECITAL
CHAired BY ROGER ESHLEMAN
KEYBOARD CONCEPTS IN SHERMAN OAKS
RESPONSE NEEDED BY MARCH 19TH BY 10 PM.
- APR 14TH BACH FESTIVAL
CHAired BY NOBUYO NISHIZAKA
LA VALLEY COLLEGE
DUE DATE: MAR. 24TH
- APR 28TH BACH FESTIVAL FOR STRINGS
CHAired BY JOYCE OSBORNE
CHECK scjbf.org FOR UPDATES
- MAY 5TH BACH FESTIVAL FOR WINDS AND VOICE
CHAired BY BOLIN PAN
CHECK scjbf.org FOR UPDATES
- MAY 26TH SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION
CHAired BY JEAN DEUTSCH

LA VALLEY COLLEGE

DUE DATE: MAY 6TH

JUNE 2ND SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS AND GENERAL RECITAL
CHAired BY REGINA VERTEYM
KEYBOARD CONCEPTS IN SHERMAN OAKS

DUE DATE: MAY 20TH

BRANCH MEETINGS:

NOV. 4TH MARK RICHMAN MASTER CLASS
STEINWAY GALLERY (SEE BELOW FOR MORE INFO)
ENTRIES DUE TO DILARA KHALILOVA

DEC. 3RD HOLIDAY POTLUCK
HOME OF GILLIAN SMITH

JAN 27TH: BENEFIT CONCERT
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENCINO

FEB 25 : BOARD MEETING
HOME OF DILARA KHALILOVA

MAY 13TH GENERAL NOMINATING MEETING AND TEACHERS RECITAL
PLACE: TBA

JUNE 24TH: INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND PLANNING MEETING
PLACE:TBA

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 19TH MEETING

9:50 am Meeting Commenced. Important dates were reviewed with the board by Dilara Khalilova, including names of chairs for each event, location, fees, and deadlines. (Please see above for this information).

10:30 New category suggestion for the scholarship competition from Regina Vertheym. This would create a 4th category for piano, for ages 7-9, so that ages 7-12 are no longer lumped together. Discussion ensued concerning cost and logistics of such a move. Our treasurer Laura Halliday explained that the extra monetary prizes for the new category would be possible (though exact amounts are still to be determined—perhaps \$50 for 1st place and \$25 for 2nd). Motion was made for creation of such a category, and motion was seconded. All were in favor.

10:45 Discussion of finances for festivals, CM and possible addition of a 3rd place prize for high school students participating in the Scholarship Competition. We need more info. on this from our treasurer.

11:00 Discussion about whether or not contributing members can enter students in our branch's scholarship competition. We must check the By-laws for this.

11:10 Discussion about difficulties associated with timing as concerns the Honors Recital. Because there is so little time between the CM and the Honors Recital, the Chair, Roger Eshleman, is often overwhelmed. It was decided that moving forward, any and all students who are eligible for performing in the honors recital must respond with a "yes" or "no" by 10 pm on the Tuesday after CM weekend (in this case the 19th of March). This deadline must be strictly adhered to!

11:30 Meeting Adjourned.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR AMAZING COLLEAGUE PAUL PITMAN IN CONCERT

PLAYING TWO OF SCHUBERT'S GREATEST PIECES

Sunday, October 14, 2012 4:00 p.m.

Sonata in B flat Major, D. 960

"Wanderer Fantasie" in C Major, Op. 15

First Presbyterian Church of Encino

4963 Balboa Boulevard Encino, CA 91316

(818) 788-1147

www.firstpresencino.com

Suggested donation of \$12, students \$6

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLIER FOR MORE INFO

MARK RICHMAN MASTER CLASS

*On Sunday November 4th, from 1 pm to 4 pm, our esteemed colleague Mark Richman, who is both an amazing concert pianist and a teacher of perpetually award-winning students, will be giving a Master Class for our piano students at **Steinway Gallery in West Hollywood**. We would like to have 2 intermediate students and 2 advanced students perform in this class. Fee is \$30. **All teachers in our Branch are invited free of charge!** Those of us who have seen Mark Richman in Master Classes know that this is a rare opportunity and a real gift to the members of our branch. This is one you don't want to miss! So please enjoy this benefit of being a branch member. The entries are due to our branch president Dilara Khalilova at dilarapiano@yahoo.com or 818-994-2093. **The four spots will go quickly so please respond as soon as possible.***