



HMTA Mission Statement:

We are a professional organization of music teachers dedicated to the promotion of the art of music and the advancement of musical knowledge throughout the Greater Houston, Texas area.

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Calendar of Events

Dec 2011

- 14 Board of Directors Meeting
General Meeting:
Deadline: Winter Musicale Registration
Deadline: SA Performance Contest Registration
Deadline: Spring TMTA-SA Theory Test
Deadline: SA World of Music Registration

25 Merry Christmas

January 2012

- 1 **Happy NEW YEAR**
- 11 **Board of Directors Meeting**
General Meeting
Deadline: Contesting Fall Theory Scores
Deadline: HMTA Piano Contest Registration
Deadline: SA Performance Contest
Deadline: Music Festival
- 15 Winter Musicale
- 21 Performance Contest @ HCC
- 28-29 "Spring" TMTA-SA Theory Test
TMTA-SA World of Music Test

Letter from the President

Wilford E. Glenn Jr., NCTM

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support toward my son. Recently, he was on the TV show X-factor with his singing and dance group The Stereo Hogzz. The week during the meeting in November, I went to Los Angeles to support him. While I was there in the audience, the group was eliminated from the competition by the judges vote. Needless to say, the group was devastated. Some of you may have seen me on national television because I had to walk to the stage and console my son. He was in total shock acting out his frustration by waving his chain behind the head of Steve Jones. I had to remind him that he was on national television. After speaking to him concerning his behavior I hugged him. The other members of the group were in just as much shock as my son was. Some of the group members have not recovered fully from their absence from the X-Factor. I am asking you to pray for The Stereo Hogzz. Since their release from the show, they have had several press conferences and television appearances. Just this pass Thursday, Fox 26 interviewed the group concerning their appearance on the X-Factor. Again, I want to say thank you for your prayers and support to me on behalf of my son, Jonathan Glenn. The experience he received can never be duplicated. My son was blessed by Paula and Simon to receive the training under them. He has now realized the value of the experience. They are scheduled to return by Dec. 19th. I will return with them on Dec. 20th to witness the last show which will air live on Dec. 21, Wednesday night @ 7:00pm on Fox 26. Please tune in. You just might see me again. Have a wonderful Merry Christmas!! We will see you at the first of the new year.

Scheduled Events

Ruby Duann
Chair, Musicale

The “Winter” Musicale Registration is due at our December meeting. Please limit one piece per student. Please make sure to indicate the correct timing of the piece on the Registration Form. Also, kindly print all the information legibly.

Music Festival

Jean Lee Baker is no longer our Chair for this event. If you have a desire to work in this event please see me as soon as possible. The Music Festival Registration Deadline is our January meeting. Please start preparing your applications for this event.

Piano Contest

Yelena Brusilovskaya, Chair

Please be reminded that our piano contest will be Feb. 18-19, 2012 at HCC Spring Branch. Please check the website for more information.

Volunteer Form

The Houston Music Teachers Association exists to serve its members and their students. It provides many events in which students can increase their musical knowledge and accomplishment. It also provides the members, the students' teachers, with opportunities to add to their knowledge and appreciation of their chosen profession.

Offering these events and opportunities, however, takes volunteerism on the part of the members or teachers. Work must be done to organize and present them and the HMTA does not have the funds to pay outsiders to do this so it falls on the members, **EACH OF THEM**, to help in some way. Be it a little job or a big one, the association depends on the talents, interests and abilities of each teacher to contribute to the success of the association.

HMTA is, therefore, asking **EACH** member to fill out the attached questionnaire by the end of the month of June. It will not only help each teacher to make a contribution of their expertise and time to HMTA but will also make it easier for them to be contacted to offer their services.

Please return the completed form either by email to President W.Glenn Jr., NCTM (krwpianostudio@aol.com) or by mail to his address (2656 S. Loop West #120, Houston, TX 77054). Thank you very much for your kindness in doing so.

NAME OF TEACHER: _____

Status:

Private Teacher Public School Teacher University/College Faculty

Participating Member Non-Participating Member

My interest and expertise are the following:

- Computer
- Yearbook
- Bulletin
- Event
- Financial

- Writing
- Phone work
- Event Chair (check the yearbook to see which event you would like to chair)
- Repertoire Pick for Events
- Updating bylaws, Code of Ethics and Standing Rules of HMTA

After you have been a member for three years and a member of the Board of Directors (a chairman of an event) for one year, you are eligible to be an officer of HMTA. Indicate below which office would interest you, should you wish to follow that track.

President

Vice-President for:

- Student Affiliate (requires computer skills)
- Programs (requires engaging others to address and/or perform for a meeting)
- Membership (requires some computer skills and people skills)
- Events, Internal (requires a knowledge of HMTA events and people skills)

- Treasurer (requires financial savvy, ease with a checkbook and depositing and some computer skills)

- Recording Secretary (requires ease in taking notes at meetings and translating them later into minutes for that meeting.)

- Corresponding Secretary (requires writing skills)

- Member-at-large (requires an ability to be diplomatic, to problem-solve between people)

- Parliamentarian (requires knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order)

- Historian (requires keeping copies of all written materials that are important to the Organization, such as Yearbook, Minutes of Meetings etc. Also, taking all materials of organization, such as minutes, yearbook, treasury reports etc. to the Houston Public Library Archives at the Central Branch at the end of the school year.)

HMTA appreciates you taking the time to think about and fill out this form. It will help to increase the effectiveness of this organization for everyone who is a part of it.

Thank you!