



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

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 SA Performance Contest @ HCC
- 28-29 “Spring” TMTA-SA Theory Test
World of Music Test

February 2012

- 4 HMTA Music Festival @ HCC Spring Branch
- 8 Board of Directors Meeting & General Meeting
Deadline: Spring Musicale
Deadline: HMTA Chamber Music and Ensemble Contest
Deadline: Convention Ensemble Registration
- 18 HMTA Piano Contest Preliminaries (HCC) Spring Branch
- 19 HMTA Piano Contest Final Round (HCC) Spring Branch
- 26 Convention Ensemble Audition at KRW Music Studios

Letter from the President

Wilford E. Glenn Jr., NCTM

Happy New Year!!! It gives me great pleasure to thank everyone of you for working behind the scenes. Preparation is the key to a successful event. We are running full stream ahead. We are into the toughest part of the year where every event counts. I want to thank all of our chairs for doing a great job. Without you HMTA would not exist.

I am aware that our upcoming events need assistance. Preparation is the fundamental key with good follow-ups. If you are not in charge of an event please support the chairman in any way possible. I am sure that Marina Agadjanova, Yolanda Li, Yanzi Lin and Yelena Brusilovskaya, could use your assistance with their events. These chairmen are only in charge of the event. Our association is primarily run by people who volunteer their time and they don't mind assisting other students. Take this time to evaluate your membership with HMTA. Ask yourself these questions: Am I working to assist the events? Am I a part of any event? What do I need to do in order to become a chairman? Can I lead an event? If you did that, we need to help you become more involved with this organization. As Uncle Sam would say, "WE NEED YOU".....

Theory Tests

Marina Agadjanova, Chair

Theory Test will be on Jan. 28-29, 2012 at The Village School. Please see me if you are able to assist. We need teachers to monitor the test. All students must take the theory test to perform in any SA Event.

Music Festival

The Music Festival Registration Deadline is January 11, 2012. However, you can still mail your registration to Wilford Glenn at 2656 S. Loop West #120, 77054. If you have questions please call 832-244-9823 for more information. Please note for high school students there is a time limit of 7 minutes. Please remind your students to be prepared to stopped when their time is up.

Piano Contest

Yelena Brusilovskaya, Chair

Registration Deadline for the Piano Contest is the Jan. Meeting. Please submit your information to me so that we can properly make the arrangements for scheduling.

Convention Ensemble

Wilford Glenn

Chair, Convention Ensemble

Below is a list of the repertoire for Convention Ensemble

Intermediate: Birch Tree Rag by Robert Vandell

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Scores are available at Dowling Music (formerly Pender's Music).

Registration for the Convention Ensemble will be the February meeting. Please make sure that all students have taken the theory exam to be in this ensemble.

Announcements

Piano auditions for the High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA)

Dear Teachers,

HSPVA (High School for the Performing and Visual Arts) will be holding piano and instrumental auditions for the school year of 2012-2013 this **January 21 and January 28** (both are on Saturday). **Any highly motivated students are welcome!** HSPVA is an Exemplary School with art area curriculums designed to improve the performance level and all-around musicianship of its students, which will include classes on music theory, sight-singing, vocal accompanying, chamber music and piano ensemble, and keyboard skills. **The piano program requires all piano students to have a main private instructor.**

The **audition requirements** are a) all major and minor scales four octaves hands together, b) two **or** three Classical pieces of contrasting character. Interested students, parents or teachers may download and print the application at HSPVA.org and click on "2012-2013 Magnet Application". The official deadline to submit an application was January 9, however we still

receive and process many late applications without any problems - but please don't wait any longer. For more information about HSPVA go to HSPVA.org or contact HMTA member Rodolfo Morales at rodolfoartem@hotmail.com