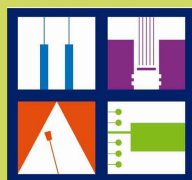


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April 2021

President's Message

April's Spring Promise



April has long been one of my favorite months. For those who say we do not have "seasons" in SoCal, they may not recognize the subtle changes this time of year provides. But, for me this is a time when I can go out and breathe in the fresh, clean, cool air and feel renewed. And with things like CM behind us, perhaps that plays a part, as students are beginning to work on new repertoire.

Last month we were fortunate to be able to enjoy the piano performances of our longtime members Kookhee Hong and Minji Noh on both solo and duo piano. We are looking forward to the completion of the Ballade/Scherzo series. This month we have the honor to welcome Hans Boepple who will be leading a Piano Master Class with three of our branch students.

The Branch Bach festival went very smoothly, with many students moving on to the regional event. The results are posted in this newsletter. We are looking forward to the Branch CM Honors Festival as well as the Senior recital this month. All of these events will continue in the video remote format for the remainder of this calendar year.

Many of the MTAC events have posted their results for this year. The winners of the various events are listed later in this newsletter, from CM Panel Finals, Composers Today State Contest, Piano Concerto Solo and Adult Performance. A warm congratulations to all of the participants and their teachers on their success.

Also, please see at the end of this newsletter, the application for the MTAC Orange County Branch Student Scholarships. The deadline for submitting this application is April 20, 2021.

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting this month. We will be presenting our new board for next year, and we will be voting on this board at the May Meeting.

Best wishes for continued peace and good health,

Nancy Woo

president@mtacoc.org

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Meeting Program:

Piano Master Class with Hans Boepple

Branch Meeting & Program

Master Class with Hans Boepple

Program

Ballade No. 3 in E-flat Major, Op. 47 F. Chopin
Aaron Yoon (1810-1849)
Teacher: Dr. Minji Noh

Prelude and Fugue No.6 in D minor, WTC II, BWV 875 J.S. Bach
Mengshu Zhang (1685-1750)
Teacher: Dr. Joseph Matthews

Hungarian Rhapsody No. 11 (S. 244/11) F. Liszt
Clara Nguyen (1811-1886)
Teacher: Alison Edwards

Meeting Details

Wednesday April 7, 2021

Zoom: zoom.us

Meeting ID: 813 9841 2322

Password: 185869

Board Meeting: 9:30 AM

General Meeting: 10:30 AM

To access this meeting,
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81398412322?pwd=Wjhsc2tRRlpHYitUcHpFOEJjNUF2dz09>

To join by phone, dial +1 669 900 6833 and enter the meeting ID information above.

Master Teacher Hans Boepple, pianist

American pianist and Steinway International Artist Hans Boepple is professor of Music at Santa Clara University (SCU) in California. Considered an artist who shows rich musicality alongside stunning technical command, his debut with the Los Angeles Philharmonic at age 10 set in motion collaboration with orchestras and conductors of international reputation. Boepple is guest artist on concert series across the United States. His numerous performance prizes most notably include first prize in the International J.S. Bach Competition (Washington D.C.). A prizewinner in the Kosciuszko Chopin (NYC), Music Teacher's National Association (MTNA) national competitions, and 6-time winner of the Coleman Chamber Music Award (Los Angeles). Many of Boepple's live performances have been broadcast by NPR and Voice of America.



A 2-time recipient of the Joseph Battista Award from Indiana University, he was awarded both the Master Teacher Certificate from the MTNA and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the California Association of Professional Music Teachers.

Boepple earned both a Bachelor and a Master of Music in Piano Performance from Indiana University, where he studied with renowned American pianist Sidney Foster. In addition, the IU School of Music piano faculty awarded him the prestigious Performer's Certificate by

unanimous decision.

A former full-time member of the IU piano faculty, Boepple joined SCU in 1978 to teach piano as well as much of the academic curriculum required for the Bachelor of Arts degree. He served as department chair 1994-2007, 2011-12 and again 2013-17. Many of his piano students have been accepted to graduate programs that include Indiana, Oberlin, Juilliard, Yale, University of Southern California, UCLA, Rice, New England Conservatory, and Eastman. A much sought-after master teacher, clinician and author, Hans Boepple continues to balance the demands of performing with being a dedicated and successful teacher.

Bach Festival

Susan Bana, sbana@att.net

59th ANNUAL ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH BACH FESTIVAL

CONGRATULATIONS!



Our Branch had 57 Participants, 41 Winners', 4 Honorable Mentions and 2 performing works from the Anna Magdalena Notebook. Teachers received their packets that include the comment sheets, signed judges' selections, program copy, certificates and current information regarding the Regional Festival.

On behalf of Dr. Joseph Matthews and myself this event was made possible by the outstanding skills, professionalism and details from our president, Nancy Woo! We will celebrate her achievements forever!!!

SATURDAY, May 1, 2021: Video deadline for all Keyboard Regional Festivals.

VIDEO GUIDELINES: Upload videos by using the You tube platform as "unlisted" and save it until further instructions. It is acceptable to make a new video for the Regional Festival or reuse the same video from the Branch Festival. The video must consist of unedited, uninterrupted video footage of the student recorded in one take from a single camera angle so that the judges can see the full instrument and performer's face, hands and feet. **Please remove all items from the piano, the music rack and especially sheet music.** No bowing before/after the performance on the videos. The 5 minute time limit is still valid so videos must not exceed 5 minutes of actual playing time.

REGISTRATION FEE: Students will pay the \$40 Regional Festival Fee online this year at the same time as when their video link is uploaded.

Margarita Aroushanian: Gia Boden: Winner

Kyung Bae: Allison Oh, Benjamin Oh, Grace Peng, Carrie Shim: Winners.

Susan Bana: Aeris Chang, John McPhie, Michael McPhie: Winners. Robert McPhie: Honorable Mention.

Lisa Friedman: Georgiana Crowell: Honorable Mention.

Cameron Tong: Claire Sueyoshi: Winner.

Dr. KookHee Hong: Justina Cha, Joshua Cho, Shalynn Choi, Matthew Chuang, Caleb Eshapoor, Jina Ju, Kriti Laddha, Nini Lei, Isaac Sohn, Issiah Sohn: Winners.

Young Sook Kang: Emilia Djordjevic, Soh Kang, Bethany Kim, Hayden Park, Jaden Shim: Winners. Alice Baik, Autumn Dym: Honorable Mention.

Joan Lai: Nazaneen Colton, William Chou, Jessie Long, Victoria Sun, Helen Yeong, Clara Zhang: Winners.

Dr. Joseph Matthews: Ethan Chen, Hannah Noh, Mengshu Zhang: Winners.

Judith Moore: Angie Lee, Claire Yu, Ke Yuan: Winners.

Petrina Pak Yun Wong: Megan Cheng: Winner.

Frenda Yang: Carolyn Tran: Winner.

Sofia Zukerman: Noella Lee, Senna Oh, Zachariah Cheng: Winners.

CM Branch Honors Recital

April 17, 2021

Congratulations to all of the students who made it through our CM season this year. We had just over 1300 student applications in CM this year. Although MTAC has removed the Branch Honors from the online system, we are still honoring those students in the MTAC CM Orange County Branch Honors Recital which will be held remotely via video upload on Saturday, April 17th. Depending on the number of students who apply to perform, we will be scheduling several different recitals on that day.

Branch Honors Requirements:

The requirements to participate in the Branch Honors Recital are:

- 5th Grade and above (***new this year: 5th and 6th grade students invited to perform***)
- Level 5 and above
- Technique – Good or Excellent Rating
- Sight Reading – Good or Excellent Rating
- Repertoire – Excellent Rating Only (***this is changed from previous years***)
- All Pieces Memorized (except Woodwinds)
- Theory Score – 80% and above

Honors Recital Application and Video Upload

In order to apply for the MTAC CM Orange County Branch Honors Recital, please click on the link below to fill out the form to register for the Honors Festival. Please have the following information ready (most of this information can be found on the Student Application on the MTAC system).

- Student Name
- Teacher Name
- Parent Name
- Student Performance Ratings and Theory Percentage
- Repertoire Title and Duration
- Video file - student may choose any of their CM pieces to perform.
- Time limit: 5 minutes.

Student may use the same file they used for CM or create a new video.

Google Form Link: <https://forms.gle/cSQf25LzY5FqAJsj9>

Once you finish filling out the form, click on “submit” and you will be directed to click on a second link to upload the file to our Dropbox account. Upload the file to the Dropbox folder. You will get an email confirming your google form submission.

If you would like to make any changes, or need to access the Dropbox link again, please use the link in the email confirmation to edit your response, rather than submitting a new response. Please complete the application and **video upload by April 10th.**

Congratulations to all of the students.

MTAC Orange County Branch Senior Recital and Awards Celebration

This year's senior recital is set to take place on Saturday, April 24th at 3:30 PM. It will be a Zoom event, and all performances will be prerecorded video. We will be calling and emailing the teachers of all the seniors who qualify to participate in this event. For those seniors who can participate, the deadline to apply and submit the video performance is April 15th.

The senior recital is open to the following students.

- Performers who have completed 3 of their 4 high school years in any MTAC qualifying event (Certificate of Merit, VOCE, Composers Today, Piano Concerto Solo). These students will receive the MTAC Orange County Branch Senior Certificate of Distinction.
- Performers who have completed the 3 of 4 years and also included the senior year in one of these events, will receive the Senior Award Scholarship.
- Performers who receive the Senior Award Scholarship and participated in Certificate of Merit or Composers Today, will have also earned the senior medallion for that event from the MTAC State Organization.

Students must perform in the recital to receive the Senior Award Scholarship. Performance video requirements:

1. Students may perform a piece of their choice with the approval of their teacher. **The time limit is 5 minutes.** You may either use a video that you submitted for your CM evaluation or other MTAC application, or you may submit a new video. Link to upload video can be found once the Google form is completed.
2. Students should complete the Google forms biographical information so that we may honor you in the ceremony following the recital. This form will ask you for information including your name, your teacher's name, musical training and experience, greatest influence in your musical studies, awards and achievements, academic and other interests, and your future plans (college, major, etc.).

Google Form link: <https://forms.gle/dd8pAtUr4DbP8L5k7>

The Google Form submission and video upload is due no later than April 15th.

Once we receive the student information, we will send to all of you the link to attend the video recital and awards presentation. Please share this link with your friends and family to help you celebrate this moment together.



Many of you may have heard that one of our long time members, Kyung Ja Bae, has recently lost her husband from heart failure at the emergency room. The unexpected nature of this loss is particularly difficult, as you might imagine.

We would ask that you keep our dear friend, Kyung in your thoughts and prayers during this time.

MTAC Orange County Branch Winners

Adult Performance

Arim Yun Teacher Division - Solo

Selected for Convention

Composers Today State Contest

First Place

Kaya Baird, Teacher: Carlton Liu, Division 3 ("Prelude and Dance to the Glorious Sunrise")

Second Place

Kyle Yeung, Teacher: Carlton Liu, Division 4 "Caprice of Memories"

Evan Le, Teacher: Claudia Yun Xi, Division 2 "Fantasy of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star"

CM Panel Finals

Master Class

Zack Kern (teacher) Stephanie Getz - Saxophone

Panel Honors

Andrew Hiranprasitikul (teacher) Soo Lee – Piano

Panel Honors (Alternate)

Yoojin Jo (teacher) Kook Hee Hong - Piano

Katherine Luo (teacher) Claudia Yun Xi - Piano

Clara Nguyen (teacher) Alison C. Edwards - Piano

Carrie Shim (teacher) Kyung Ja Bae - Piano

Piano Concerto Solo Regional Winners

Regional Winner

Xiaolong (Michael) Liu (teacher) Janice Park

Solo Division 4

Lilian Guo (Teacher) Claudia Yun Xi

Concerto Division 1

Matt Karacic (teacher) Mario Karacic

Concerto Division 2

First Alternate

Sterling Tran (teacher) Melody Chiang

Concerto Division 1

Honorable Mention

Hayden Park (teacher) Young-Sook Kang

Solo Division 1

Andrew Hiranprasitikul (teacher) SooLee

Solo Division 3

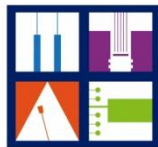
Brian Liu (teacher) Claudia Yun Xi

Solo Division 3

Kamil Zeglen (teacher) Janice Park

Concerto Division 4

The Music Teacher's Association of California



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION INSTRUCTION:

1. Please **PRINT** the Application Form clearly and completely.
2. Please **SUBMIT** 3 Recommendation letters from current teacher and two persons other than relatives or your present music teacher. One letter must be related to your music activities outside of MTAC. And, 2x2 PHOTO.
3. Please **MAIL Application Form** with **3 Recommendation Letters** (**Postmark: April 20, 2021**)

Wendy I. Chen
680 Golden Springs Drive, Unit B
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

(For more information: Wendy I. Chen, Scholarship Chair / 626-217-5830 / impianmom@gmail.com)

APPLICANT INFORMATION: (Instrument: _____ Current Level of Certificate
Merit _____)

Name: (First/Middle/Last) _____ Sex: M ___ F ___ Age: _____

Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

_____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ (**PRINT** clearly for receiving **Notification Form**)

Present High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

College of Acceptance: _____ Date of Acceptance: _____

College Objectives (Major / Minor Fields): _____

Repertoire (Less than 10 minutes) that you would like to perform at Winner's Recital in June, 2021:

Title: _____ Composer: _____

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Phone/Email Address: _____

Address (if different from Applicant's) : _____

3 RECOMMENDATION LETTER'S INFORMATION:

1. Name: _____ (Current Teacher)

Phone: _____ Email _____

2. Name: _____ (Other)

Phone: _____ Email _____

3. Name: _____ (Other)

Phone: _____ Email _____

APPLICANT'S AWARDS/HONORS/MUSICAL EXPERIENCES: (List five most current activities during high school year with at least two activities from MTAC)

YEAR

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Teacher's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Social Media

MTAC Orange County Branch is on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Like us, follow us and keep up to date with our events. Be sure to look for the “official” MTAC OC branch pages.



www.facebook.com/OfficialMTACOC



Instagram

[instagram.com/officialmtacoc/](https://www.instagram.com/officialmtacoc/)



<https://twitter.com/OfficialMTACOC>

Newsletter Contributions

*If you have an article for the newsletter or information that would be valuable to the membership, please send this information to me by the 15th of the previous month. You may email it to newsletter@mtacoc.org, or by mail, send to Nancy Woo, c/o Southwest Conservatory, 18430 Brookhurst Street, Suite 101, Fountain Valley, CA 92708. **Please use the subject “MTAC Notations” in any email correspondence***

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Monthly Programs 2020-2021

September 9, 2020	CM Preparation, Judith Moore and Nancy Hsu	January 13, 2021	Alumni Recital, Andrew Edwards, Piano
October 7, 2020	Transform Your Teaching with Technology, Nancy Woo	February 3, 2021	Kyla McCarrel, Soprano
November 4, 2020	5 Things Every Piano Teacher Should Know About Jazz, Jeremy Siskind	March 10, 2021	Duo Art, Minji Noh and Dr. KookHee Hong, Piano
December 2, 2020	Kinesthetic Awareness and its Effect on Performance, Dr. Michelle Do	April 7, 2021	Piano Master Class, Hans Boepple
		May 5, 2021	Moni Simeonov, Violin,
		June 2, 2021	Scholarship Winners Recital

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