

OhioMTA PROFILE

Music Teachers National Association, founded in 1876 in Delaware, Ohio, is the oldest professional music teachers' organization in the United States and is comprised primarily of independent music teachers, college faculty members and their students, and concert artists of all musical instruments and voice.

As an affiliate of MTNA, the Central East District of the Ohio Music Teachers Association (OhioMTA) has over 200 members assembled from Belmont, Crawford, Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Guernsey, Knox, Licking, Marion, Monroe, Morrow, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, Pickaway, Richland, and Wyandot, counties. You may visit the state website at:

www.ohiomta.org

The Central East District of OhioMTA is committed to excellence in music. Teacher membership in our district offers activities that challenge students to reach their highest musical potential. It also offers many opportunities to educate, enrich, and encourage effective teaching.

A Directory of Central East OhioMTA members can be found at the reference desk of your local library. You may visit the Central East District's website at:

<http://www.ceomta.org>

Professional Development

Our Fall & Spring **District Conferences** offer programs, forums and seminars designed to be continuing education events for teachers of all instruments and voice. They also provide an excellent opportunity for colleagues from Central Ohio to meet and share ideas. Members will also want to attend our **National and State Conferences**.

We support the musical community of independent music teachers by offering four **Grants for Professional Development**. The purpose of the grants is to aid in improving the applicant's teaching.

Teachers will greatly benefit by attending our **Workshops and Master Classes** for piano, strings and voice. These often feature nationally known clinicians, pedagogues and performers.

Teachers will also benefit from the **Independent Music Teachers Forum**, which provides a platform for discussions of problems and challenges facing the music teacher who operates a private studio.

Our **Monday Morning Musicales** provide an informal opportunity for teachers to perform for each other.

Other great benefits of membership:

- *MTNA Certification
- *Leadership Opportunities
- *Teacher Referral Service
- **American Music Teacher* Magazine
- *State and District Newsletters

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Membership Opportunities

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Membership Dues

2010 - 2011 Membership Dues: \$118.00.
Our membership year is July 1 to June 30.

This amount includes:

\$65.00 National Dues

\$38.00 State Dues

\$15.00 Central East District Dues

A student rate of \$29.00 per year is available for college music majors. Senior discounts are also offered.

Half price National and State Dues are available to new members joining between January 1 and June 30.

To request a membership application and more information about the Central East District of OhioMTA please contact:

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Student Activities

Students of OhioMTA members are able to participate in several events sponsored by the organization.

Our most popular event, **Scale Olympics**, is held every other year and draws over 400 participants. It is an excellent opportunity for students to set goals in eight 'events' of theory and technique. Each event offers different levels of difficulty, and ribbons are awarded to every student.

Pianorama, a multi-piano ensemble event, is also held biennially and draws over 275 participants. Second year beginners to advanced level students perform in one of nine groups, which are determined by playing level. Students experience the thrill of performing for a large audience in a comfortable ensemble setting. They are exposed to high quality duet literature while gaining valuable rehearsal and performance experience under the direction of an OhioMTA teacher/conductor.

District Festival is an annual daylong event with over 250 students playing in recitals that run concurrently in several locales. Recitals feature students of all instruments and voice and of various

performance levels. Students benefit from this non-competitive performance opportunity by receiving judges' comments and a certificate of participation.

Out and About is a new event which offers public service performance opportunities for students of OhioMTA members who are fine musicians at all levels. Students are encouraged to share their talent to benefit others through performances at local hospitals, cultural affairs, and downtown festivals. The aim is to support the arts and the community.

Summer Music Study Scholarships may be used to pay for summer music study, such as music camp or special lessons. Over \$3,000 is awarded to students of all instruments and voice.

MTNA sponsors **Performance & Composition Competitions** that begin at the state level. OhioMTA sponsors the **Buckeye Auditions**, our premier competition for our most outstanding students, and the **OhioMTA/Graves Competition**, which awards over \$4,000 in prizes.

Master Classes and Recitals are also offered.