

Central East District of OhioMTA

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News from the President

The Central East District has many events that benefit its members, and we'd love to see you in attendance this winter/spring. As you read the newsletter, mark your calendar regarding the session(s) you'd like to attend, and make it a priority to be there. (E-mail reminders are sent to subscribers of our web site.) Our volunteer chairmen have worked hard to plan these events, so please come! I invite you to join me at the next Teacher Talk on February 16 (details on page 4 of the newsletter).

Susan Treer, President
Central East District of OhioMTA

Change of Location for February IMTF

Please note that the location for the February 3, 2012 Independent Music Teachers Forum is different from the one printed in the directory. We will meet at the new studio of **Lynn Singleton, NCTM**, which is at 3327 N. High Street. This new studio is just a block from her previous location and is on the west side of High. The two side streets intersecting High at this location are Brighton and Longview. Parking is on High or on the side streets—just observe parking signs.

Lynn will present the program for this Forum. The title of the presentation is Lyrical Gems of the 20th and 21st Century for Beginning and Intermediate Students. This forum will be an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with some new literature to include in your students' spring programs.

Please contact **Sharon Walton, NCTM** to RSVP so that we can have seating and materials ready for you (614) 451-4820 or skrwalton@gmail.com.



Sound of Mind & Body

There is still time to register for February's "Sound of Mind & Body" program at Riverside Hospital on February 5. Simply email **Melissa Robol, NCTM** mrobol8654@wideopenwest.com with your student's name and the title and composer of a piece or two you deem performance ready (time limit of 5 minutes). More programs will take place on the first Sundays of March, April & May. See page 24 of the Activities Guide for additional information.

Buckeye Auditions 2012

The CEOhioMTA District Preliminaries will be held on Saturday, March 31 at Otterbein University. The registration deadline is **Friday, February 17**. See page 18 of the Activities Guide, or click on the following links for all of the details: <http://www.ceomta.org/student-competitions/buckeye-auditions>; <http://www.ohiomta.org/state.asp?page=buckeyeauditions>.

Spring Conference & Membership Meeting

This event will be held on Monday, April 16 at 9:30 a.m. at Graves Piano & Organ Company. Dr. Andrea McAlister is the presenter of a program entitled "Music, The Brain, and the iGeneration: Teaching the Acoustic in the Digital Age". A new slate of officers for the district will be voted on at the annual meeting. See page 34 of the Activities Guide for additional information.

Thank you to our officers and chairmen who have dedicated themselves to make the Central East District a high quality organization. The district was nominated by the State as the Local Association of the Year. Congratulations!

Piano Workshop III

On Friday, March 9, **Professor Seymour Fink, NCTM** from Capital University will give the last workshop of this year on *Piano Technique Revisited: Shortcuts to Physical Competence through a Bio-Mechanical Perspective*. The workshop will start at 10:00 am at Graves Piano & Organ.

Seymour Fink, NCTM is presently Adjunct Professor of Piano in the Conservatory of Music of Capital University. He holds the Artist Diploma from the Peabody Conservatory, and BA and MM degrees from Yale University. He has studied additionally with Ralph Kirkpatrick, Eduard Steuermann, Nadia Boulanger, Arthur Craxton, and Paul Baumgartner. Performing solo and chamber concerts in this country and Europe, he has also toured extensively as part of the Brady-Fink violin-piano duo, and recorded on the CRI label. His long teaching career includes appointments at Vassar College, and the Yale School of Music. He is Professor Emeritus from Binghamton University of the SUNY system, from which institution he retired in 1995. Fink has published extensively in such journals as the *Piano Quarterly*, *Piano and Keyboard*, *American Music Teacher*, *Keyboard Companion*, and *Piano Life*. He is the author of the highly acclaimed book and video, *Mastering Piano Technique*, published by the Amadeus Press. He was a substantial contributing author of the book, *A Symposium for Pianists and Teachers*, published by the Heritage Music Press. He often lectures and gives master classes and workshops on piano technique, musicality, and their pedagogy. Most recently, one of his Capital University students won the statewide Ohio Buckeye College Competition. Professor Fink was honored in 2006 by being chosen Collegiate Certified Teacher of the Year in Ohio. In recognition of his significant contribution to the music world in general, he was named an MTNA Foundation Fellow in 2010. See pages 39-40 of the Activities Guide for information.



Summer Music Scholarship Auditions 2012

The Columbus Chapter of the Piano Technicians Guild has once again pledged \$ 100.00 toward a piano scholarship for the 2012 auditions. We are grateful for their continuing support.

Additionally, we want to thank **Bruce & Karen Piper** for planning and managing the flower sale during Pianorama. The profit from the flower sale was \$500.00 and was appropriated toward the Summer Music Scholarship Auditions.

Solo and Ensemble Recitals Coming Soon

The next Solo and Ensemble Recitals are scheduled for Sunday, February 5, 2012, at Graves Piano & Organ Co. While it's too late to sign up for February, plan to have students play at the April 29 recitals. The recitals are open to students of all members who have studied for at least one year. They are a great performance opportunity for any well-prepared student, and the perfect chance for them to hear other fine students from our district.

Detailed information can be found on pages 26 and 27 of the Activities Guide & Membership Directory and on our website: <http://www.ceomta.com/student-events/recitals-solo-ensemble>. Please contact **Dr. Caroline B. Salido-Barta**, chair, at 614-751-9665 or thepianoartsstudio@yahoo.com, with additional questions.

Scale Olympics 2012

This year, Scale Olympics will be two months earlier than in previous years: **Saturday, October 6, 2012** at Otterbein University. Registration opens on July 1 and closes September 6. Please take this into consideration as you prepare your students for this event! For more information, see page 28 of the Activities Guide or visit: <http://www.ceomta.com/student-events/scale-olympics>.

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Welcome, New & Renewed Members!

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Directory Corrections

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Certification

As members of the music education community, we know the challenges of being true professionals in a world that sometimes does not fully value or understand what we do. Independent music teachers may face more obstacles than those who are employed by institutions when validating their qualifications to potential students. But, we do have a valuable resource available to us through Music Teachers National Association. The Nationally Certified Teacher of Music (NCTM) credential affirms to the community that your education and experience fully qualify you to serve them in this most important role as musical instructor, mentor, and inspirational guide.

The Central East District now has an on-going study group organized to assist certification candidates in the process of completing the required project work. The participants are making steady progress toward their goals, and have found that the discussions and sharing of their work with others going through the same process have been encouraging and helpful. The group is structured so that anyone may join at any time. If you have ever considered the possibility of seeking the NCTM credential, please contact me about joining the study group. It may be just what you need to get the ball rolling!

Congratulations to our newest certified member,
Dr. Gulimina Mahamuti, NCTM!

Carol Rein, NCTM
crein@columbus.rr.com (614) 558-8185

Prospective Members & Retiree Names Needed

Do you know any teachers who are not members of our district? Please forward names and contact info regarding potential new members to **Susan Frost, NCTM** Susanfrost1@att.net or (614) 889-8155. These teachers will receive an invitation to the New Members Luncheon on May 7. **Have you retired from teaching or know a member that has retired?** Please let Susan know, as we would like to honor retirees at the luncheon.

Professional Grants Available

The Central East District is offering \$500 in professional development grants in 2012. Applications are due by May 30, and awards will be announced the following week. Consider what you need to take your teaching to the next level and put together a plan. Grants can cover fees for workshops and educational conferences, or the cost of studying with a master teacher or expert in an area of special interest. Highest consideration is given to applicants who show how their teaching will be directly enriched through their proposed plan.

Page 15 of the Directory includes detailed requirements and suggestions for submitting your application. Be sure to take advantage of this important opportunity!

Questions may be directed to **Carol Rein, NCTM**, Chairman of Grants for Professional Development. (614) 558-8185 or crein@columbus.rr.com.



Susan Treer

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Teacher Talk

Come for an hour or so of socializing and “shop talk” on Thursday, February 16 at 10 a.m. We will meet at the Starbucks in New Albany (220 Market Street). Contact **Susan Treer** with questions regarding this event caribou06@sbcglobal.net or (614) 882-8064.

Other Events Coming Soon

February 6 - Monday Morning Musicale

February 25 - District Festival

March 10-11 - CE District of OhioMTA/Graves Piano Solo & Ensemble Competition

March 25- Competition winners' recital

May 7 - Spring Board Meeting & New Members Luncheon

November 8-10 - State Conference in Columbus, OH

Dated Material: Do Not Delay