



BCMTA Newsletter

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*Smooth Sailing into
the New Season*

August, 2010

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I hope you have had a welcome respite from the cares and responsibilities of last year and are refreshed and looking forward to a year full of musically uplifting events, as well as opportunities for growth for yourselves and your students. We have a calendar full of inspiring programs and concerts to meet your needs. Make sure you note important deadlines and dates on your calendars!

The first event will be a District VI Enrichment day. This will be held at the Steinway Piano Gallery in Boca Raton and will feature pianist and clinician, Kemal Gekic. Please be sure to email your questions for Mr. Gekic to zmusl@aol.com

For more information, please see this newsletter for all the details. This event is sponsored by District VI and the cost is just \$10.00 per person to attend.

Second on the list, is our annual Open House, held on Sunday, September 12, 2010. Please see this newsletter for more details. We will have an inspiring winner's concert featuring our first place winners from the Intermediate A and B Competitions, the Messingschlager and Steinway Competitions, and our two first place winners from our Composition contest. Following this concert will be a brief general meeting, in which our committee chairs will give a short description of their events. There will be an opportunity to sign up for *Competition repertoire guidelines* meeting at Dr. Garvin's home as well as to sign up to serve on one of our many committees if you feel led to. Rounding out our cultural afternoon will be a wonderful time of refreshment and fellowship.

In closing, I would like to remind you to make plans to attend the annual FSMTA State Conference in Sarasota. Nov 3-6, 2010. It promises to be one of our best conferences ever!

I hope to see each of you at our Open House.

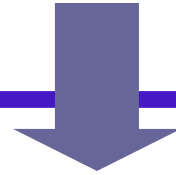
Musically yours,

Mary Beth Purchase,

President BCMTA

President's Message





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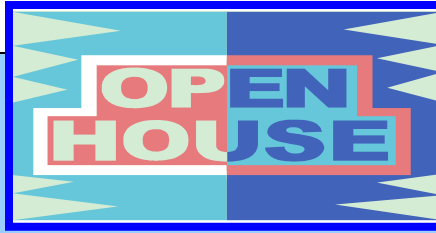
Please contact
BCMTA President,
Mary Beth Purchase,
if you would like to
join a committee or
serve on the board!

BCMTA YEARBOOKS

Since all of the information that historically appeared in the Annual Yearbook is now listed on the BCMTA website www.bcmta.org – Printed Yearbooks will be available for those with limited or no computer access only upon request for a charge of \$8.00 plus \$2.85 shipping. Please note, competition applications will soon be available on the website as well.

Now would be a great time to check the website to make sure all of your information is up-to-date. Send any correction and/or updates to Barbara Muze bmuze@bellsouth.net. Please make sure that your dues are current so that your name will continue to appear on the website. Requests for printed 2010 yearbooks should be made directly to Sheri Garlock missheri@comcast.net no later than August 27th so that she can know how many copies to request from the printer.

BCMTA



ANNUAL

DATE: Sunday, September 12, 2010

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Piano Showcase - 5170 N Federal Hwy – Click on link below for a map

WHAT: **All members of the BCMTA are cordially invited to our Open House.** Each year at the beginning of September BCMTA holds its first general meeting and open house event. General business matters are discussed, officers, board members and committee chairs are introduced. The program will also feature performances by student winners of the Intermediate A and B, Messingschlager, Steinway and Composition competitions. Please bring a tasty treat to share at the concluding pot luck festivities.

It is a wonderful way to meet with members new and old, to exchange ideas and share your enthusiasm for the great teaching year ahead. It is also the perfect time to invite that teacher friend who isn't yet a member but would be a great addition to our organization.

Please make plans to be a part of this important annual event. Please also consider participating on a committee. Remember, this is YOUR professional association. The more you put into it, the more you get out of it.

We look forward to seeing EVERYONE there!

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Annual Dues

REMINDER: According to BCMTA By-laws, dues are delinquent if not paid by July 1st! "Dues not received by July 1st shall have an added late payment assessment of Ten Dollars (\$10.00). This assessment charge shall be paid to the local Treasurer." If you haven't already done so, please renew your membership. It's very simple to do online:

<https://members.mtna.org/joinrenew/default.aspx>

**2010 FSMTA DISTRICT VI mini conference
"ENRICHMENT DAY"
With Pianist Kemal Gekic**



DATE FRIDAY August 27, 2010

TIME 8:30 am - 9:00 am Continental breakfast
9:00 am – 1:00 pm Program (with a mid morning break)

PLACE Steinway Piano Gallery, 7940 North Federal Highway, Boca Raton FL 33487-1679

FEE FSMTA members \$10 ; Non members \$15 (payable at the door)
Refreshments will be served. All attendees are encouraged to get together for lunch within walking distance of Steinway Piano Gallery.

YOUR INPUT IS INVITED Mr. Gekic encourages teachers to submit any questions they may have. He is willing to discuss performance problems in the majority of works by Chopin (Etudes, Scherzi, Ballades, Impromptus etc) or works by any of the other great masters.
Please send requests ahead of time to Zelda Jensen at zmus1@aol.com .

About the artist:

*"..a master of pianism at the highest level. He possesses the greatest single interpretative talent."
- Frank Cooper*

KEMAL GEKIC

"Gekic rides the charismatic edge of genius," says The Boston Globe about the pianist whose artistic credo encompasses both a knowledge of all the facts essential to reconstructing the musical idea behind the works he plays and the power to bring it alive for today's audiences. Performing worldwide from a vast repertoire, Kemal Gekic presents fascinating, uncompromising and ever-changing interpretations of Baroque, Classic, Romantic and Modern masterworks.

As a recording artist, Kemal Gekic has won accolades in Europe, America and Japan for insightful, original and sometimes iconoclastic views of the music of Handel, Mozart, Chopin, Scriabin and Liszt - a list that grows with every season. His outstanding Naxos CD of Rossini-Liszt transcriptions (including the phenomenal William Tell Overture) has won "The Rosette" of The Penguin Guide for Music, while his JVC CD of Liszt's Twelve Transcendental Etudes is generally considered to be the best recording of the set in history.

Born in Croatia (former Yugoslavia), Kemal Gekic (pronounced geh-kitch) lives in the United States and he is the Artist in Residence at The Florida International University. He has been the subject of broadcasts by the CBC (Canada), NKH (Japan), NDR (Germany), RAI (Italy), TV Portugal, POLTEL (Poland) and PBS (USA). Mr. Gekic's appearance at the Second Annual Miami International Piano Festival of Discovery marked his South Florida debut. His concerts and recitals in North America are arranged through Patrons of Exceptional Artists.



2010 – 2011 BCMTA GENERAL MEETINGS

Sunday, October 17 – Filling in the Blanks: Improvisation on Repertoire from the Popular, Jazz & Classical Worlds – 2nd General Meeting – Nova Southeastern University, PVA 309 – 3:00 p.m. Local pianist & composer **Matt Johnson** presents teaching techniques for introducing students to improvisation by basing creative ideas on existing repertoire to form their own interpretations. Shuttle transportation from the parking garage to the University Center will be available. <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=26.078891,-80.243282&t=h&sl=26.079354,-80.2402>

Saturday, October 30 – Pedagogy Workshop for Teachers and Student Masterclass with Dr. Jennifer Donelson of Nova Southeastern University – Nova Southeastern University, PVA 309
Workshop 2:00-2:50, Masterclass 3:00-4:00.

How can articulation markings in Sonatinas be a source of musical wit, enticing conversation, convincing rhetoric, and an opportunity for performances full of expressivity and personality? This workshop will guide teachers in an exploration of ways to help students tap into those elements of Classical music performance practice that can transform the study of Sonatinas and other works from the Classical era into a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

Following the workshop, Dr. Donelson will present a masterclass for students on music of the Classical era. Teachers are encouraged to recommend students for the **three 20-minute slots available** on the masterclass by e-mailing Dr. Donelson at jd1120@nova.edu. Shuttle transportation from the parking garage to the University Center will be available. <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=26.078891,-80.243282&t=h&sl=26.079354,-80.2402>

Sunday, December 12 – Holiday Party – Home of Diane Garvin – 2600 NE 37th Drive – 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for an evening of conviviality and camaraderie hosted by BCMTA member Diane Garvin! The evening will feature a gift exchange and a sampling of the culinary skills of members.

Thursday, February 10 – Recital by pianist Julian Toha – Steinway Gallery in Boca Raton – 4:00 p.m.

<http://www.julianto.com/>

March 13 – Performing with Grace: The Art of Managing Performance Anxiety

4th General Meeting – Nova Southeastern University, Room 309 – 3:00 p.m.

Dr. Stephen Russo of Nova Southeastern University's Center for Psychological Studies, a specialist in performance anxiety, coaching, and performance enhancement, will present helpful tips for artists dealing with the stresses of performance and memorization, as well as suggestions for coaching students dealing with these issues.

Shuttle transportation from the parking garage to the University Center will be available.

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June 11 – 5th General meeting and installation of officers – Time and Location TBA

Join the BCMTA for a Saturday luncheon at the Fort Lauderdale Yacht Club as we wrap up our year and install officers for the next term.



FSMTA 76th Annual Conference

November 3-6, 2010
Bradenton/Sarasota

CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS:

<http://www.fmta.org/conference.asp>



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Classifieds

Classified Ads, Business Cards, and Larger Ads are all welcome in the BCMTA Newsletter!

This publication reaches over 100 teachers & musicians by mailing list and is available online at BCMTA.org.

Please contact Barbara Muze at bmuze@bellsouth.net for additional information. Thank you!

Advertising Rates:

BCMTA Member Prices
(Non-members add \$10)

\$15 – Classified or
Business Card

\$20 – 1/4 Page

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4231 SW 54th Avenue
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Please call Jean Ann Brown 954-783-7957.**

Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund has begun in the memory of our beloved members who have passed away. Please mail donations to BCMTA Treasurer, Annamarie Cockreham, 4231 SW 54th Avenue Davie, FL 33314 Phone:954-327-0979

**Checks are payable to BCMTA.
Thank you.**

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\$4,700

Upright piano in shining black.
Perfect Condition for looking and playing.
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A ♪ from Newsletter Editor...

Teacher news, event information, yearbook updates, student news, & advertisements are all welcome! Not all important announcements may fit the newsletter schedule. If you have something that needs to promptly reach BCMTA members, please e-mail Mary Beth Purchase. Announcements will then be distributed by E-mail Correspondent, Carolyn Morgan.

**GO GREEN!**

Please do not print out this interactive Newsletter unless you really need to. Either save it on your computer or visit the website, www.bcmata.org where you can find this newsletter as well as past issues dating back to 2007!

BCMTA EVENTS CALENDAR 2010 – 2011

UPDATES WILL BE POSTED TO THE WEBSITE ON A REGULAR BASIS

September 12	OPEN HOUSE (1 st General Meeting)
September 17	9:30 a.m. new Festival Music meeting at Dianne Garvin's re: Pompano Competition early levels of music
October 17	2 nd General Meeting 3 p.m.
October 30	Deadline for Student Day Applications
October 30	Piano Ped. Workshop Nova Univ. 2 p.m.
November 3-6	State Conference (Sarasota)
November 20	Student Day Aural and Written Exams
December 12	Holiday Party 6 p.m. 3 rd General Meeting
January 15	Deadline for Pompano Piano Competition Apps.
January 28-30	Musicthon
January 31	Deadline Greenspan Award app.
February 5-6 and 12-13	FFMC Junior Festival
February 10	Deadline for Student Day Performance Exams
February 26	Pompano Piano Competition
February 26	Deadline for District VI Concerto Competition App.
March 13	4 th General Meeting
March 16	Nova Univ. Faculty Recital
March 26	District VI Concerto Competition
March 26-27	Student Day Performance Exams
April 1	Executive Board Meeting – Nominate New Officers
April 9	Student Day Honors Recital North Area
April 10	Student Day Honors Recital South Area
April 21	Deadline Int. A & B Competitions
April 23	Deadline Summer Camp Scholarship application
May 5	Deadline for Steinway Competition application
May 21	Intermediate A & B Competitions
June 5	Steinway Competition
June 11	Installation Luncheon 5 th General Meeting