



BCMTA Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2010

Summary of Events Feb/March 2010

2/20 - E-mail/ Postmark Deadline
for Student Day Performance
Exams

2/27 Pompano Piano Competition

3/5 District IV Enrichment Day

3/13 & 14 Student Day
Performance Evaluation Exams

3/20 & 21 Honors Recitals

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Broward County Music Teachers Association

February, 2010

Dear Friends and Colleagues,
Happy, busy February! As you are reading this, the final tally for our annual fundraiser, Musicthon is just in. We raised **\$10,232.53!** This was the most successful Musicthon in BCMTA history. Thank you to Wanda Wiranis, Annamarie Cockreham, Marie Maher and Sue Colvert for their tireless efforts on behalf of our organization for this event. Thank you to Dean Palmer at Grand Masters Pianos for the lovely instrument provided for the fundraiser. The three days of

Musicthon went smoothly and the shoppers at the Galleria Mall enjoyed a wonderful weekend of music. Musicians performing many instruments and vocalists, entertained friends, family and passers-by. Thank you to all teachers who participated in this worthwhile event. Twenty-six teachers participated with their studios. The studio of "Yours Truly" raised the most money. See the complete Musicthon round-up later in this newsletter.

Be sure to read about the District VI Enrichment Day on page 8 of this newsletter and make plans to attend. It is important for BCMT to show our support for Zelda Jensen, our new Dist VI President.

The next big event is the Pompano Piano Competition. The competition will take place all day Saturday, February 27, 2010 and will culminate with a televised evening performance of the finalists at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, located at 1801 NE 6 St. Pompano Beach, 33060. The evening concert will begin at 7:00 PM. We are proud to have Joanna Marie from WXEL as our emcee. Tune in to 90.7 at 12:00 PM on Thursday, February 25, as winners from the previous year will be performing live on the radio. The pianos will be provided by Steinway Piano Gallery along with a special scholarship award of \$500.00. The evening will end with a lovely reception following the performance of the finalists. Even if you are not submitting students for this event, please come out to the evening concert. There is no admission and all are welcome. I hope to see you there!

Musically yours,
Mary Beth Purchase

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!

MUSICHTON 2010 – A ROUSING SUCCESS

Galleria Mall - Fort Lauderdale, January 22, 23, 24

Twenty-six BCMTA teachers participated in this year's MUSICHTON and raised a total of **\$10,232.53!**

The top three studios that raised the most money are:

- Mary Beth Purchase with \$1,098.00 - **40 students participating**
- Barbara Kaskinen with \$748.75 - **24 students participating**
- Sue Colvert with \$726.00 - **26 students participating**

Congratulations to Barbara Kaskinen's student, **Meagan Bentley** for raising the highest amount - \$360.00! For her hard work she has been awarded a \$50.00 Student Award that will be credited to the studio of Barbara Kaskinen and can be used by Meagan for new music or lessons.

Musichthon expenses were **\$1,892.83** and covered T-shirts, posters for the mall, and programs.

The Broward County Music Teachers Association will donate **\$2,000.00** to Patrons of Exceptional Artists, Inc., the non-profit arts organization that presents the Miami International Piano Festival.

THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend!

April 9, 2010 - 5TH General Meeting. **Judith Burganger** – Performance Practice in the Studio - Tips for teaching and discussing ornaments and other historically-informed techniques to keyboard students.

NOTE: At the most recent BCMTA board meeting on February 5th, the directors established a committee to discuss and determine the nature of future General Meetings - Lack of attendance/interest being the main reason for the formation of this committee. Look for a possible membership survey where you will have the opportunity to share your opinions on how best BCMTA can serve its members through regularly scheduled meetings. In the meantime, any thoughts and/or suggestions regarding general meetings and teacher enrichment programs can be sent in confidence to: bmuze@bellsouth.net

BCMTA Member, **Jennifer Donelson, D.M.A.**, assistant professor in the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences Division of Performing and Visual Arts, will present a musical look at noted piano works of 20th Century composers with “*An Excursion through the Americas: Modern Works for the Piano by Composers North and South.*” The recital, part of the college’s Faculty Series, will take place on Tuesday, March 16, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the college’s Performing and Visual Arts Wing of the Don Taft University Center, room 309.

An Excursion through the Americas will highlight piano works by composers from the United States, Mexico, Argentina, and Brazil. The program will include performances such as Alberto Ginastera's *Piano Sonata No. 1* and the rarely heard solo piano version of George Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*.

This event is free and open to the NSU community; tickets *are not* required for admission. For more information, contact [Jennifer Donelson](mailto:jennifer.donelson@nova.edu), D.M.A., in the college’s Division of Performing and Visual Arts, at (954) 262-7610.

For a schedule of upcoming events presented by the college’s Division of Performing and Visual Arts, visit www.fcas.nova.edu/performingarts/schedule.cfm.

REMINDERS!

- 1) The postmark deadline for **Dist. VI Concerto Competition** is February 27th - firm & fixed! no exceptions. Teachers must download forms from www.fmta.org
 - a) Student Activities
 - b) Comp. Event Forms

IMPORTANT! Print ALL forms listed under DISTRICT Concerto Comp. Forms (NOT State)
There are six forms to be printed. Incomplete applications cannot be accepted. No forms will be mailed out.
- 2) All members of FSMTA are encouraged to submit applications for their students who are presently a member of the ninth grade class for the 2010 Local Presidents FSMTA **Community Service Award** and for their students who are presently a member of the twelfth grade class for the 2010 Leroy Greenspan Memorial FSMTA Community Service Award. The applications are due to the president of the local MTA or High School Liaison Chairman by March 1, 2010. For more information visit the BCMTA website http://www.bcmta.org/public_html/Competitions/Community%20award.html

YEARBOOKS

If you still have not received a copy of the 2009/2010 yearbook, you can send a check for \$2.85 to Barbara Schaap, 7024 NW 101 Ave. Tamarac, FL 33321 and she will mail you the current edition.

There is no charge to stop by her home in Tamarac and pick up your copy. Please call first.

Barbara Schaap

954-597-1856

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NEWS FROM NOVA

Nova Southeastern University's Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences is pleased to announce Division of Performing and Visual Arts grants to support talented performing and visual arts students. The division offers a talent-based grant to students pursuing a B.A. in art, dance, music, or theatre or who participate in the Bossa Nova Chorale, NSU Sharkestra Pep Band or orchestra programs. This grant, awarded on a yearly basis, is available to current undergraduate students, incoming freshmen, and transfer students.

Auditions for grants for the 2010-2011 academic year are on February 20th and March 20th, 2010.

To apply for the Performing and Visual Arts Grant, please complete the form available at:

<http://fcas.nova.edu/performingarts/grantform.cfm>

The Performing and Visual Arts Division at Nova Southeastern University is accepting applications for one slot in a master class with Dr. Richard Fountain to be held on **Monday, Feb. 22nd at 5:00 p.m. on the NSU campus**. The slot is 15 minutes long and is available to piano soloists, chamber ensembles which include the piano, or accompanists with a soloist.

To apply, please send the following information to Dr. Jennifer Donelson, Assistant Professor of Piano at NSU (jd1120@nova.edu) – **Application deadline: Monday, Feb. 15th**.

Student's name

Number of years of study

A short biography

A representative list of repertoire played within the last year

The selection proposed for inclusion in the master class

Dr. Richard Fountain is Assistant Professor of Collaborative Piano at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, TX, where he teaches applied piano and accompanying as well as collaborating with choral ensembles and student and faculty soloists. Fountain received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Piano Performance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, studying with internationally celebrated pianist Paul Barnes. He has been a soloist with the Marion Philharmonic Orchestra, the UNL Symphony Orchestra and performed Liszt's *Totentanz* with Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra in Lincoln, NE during the 2008-2009 season. Dr. Fountain has held the position of Principal Keyboard in Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra since the fall of 2006, and has also held the position of Principal Keyboard with the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra since the fall of 2008.

An accomplished collaborative pianist, Dr. Fountain has worked with a wide variety of vocal and instrumental soloists, as well as several large choral ensembles. He was the principal rehearsal and performance pianist for the world premiere of the musical *Broadcast*, by Scott Murphy and Nathan Christensen. Dr. Fountain has recently developed an interest in early pianos, and has studied fortepiano with Dr. Ann Chang-Barnes at UNL and with Malcolm Bilson at Cornell University. He remains an ardent student of historical performance practice on both period and modern instruments.

BCMTA FINANCIAL REPORT

Listed below is the second quarterly report for fiscal year 2009-2010.
 As requested by the Board, BCMTA financial reports will be listed in the newsletter every quarter.
 Any questions or clarifications in regards to BCMTA financials can be emailed
 to ascjc@bellsouth.net.

| Category Description | 10/1/2009- 10/31/2009 | 11/1/2009- 11/30/2009 | 12/1/2009- 12/31/2009 | OVERALL TOTAL |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| INCOME | | | | |
| Advertising | 150.00 | 140.00 | 0.00 | 290.00 |
| Dues | 75.00 | 0.00 | 15.00 | 90.00 |
| TOTAL INCOME | 225.00 | 140.00 | 15.00 | 380.00 |
| EXPENSES | | | | |
| Charity | 50.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 50.00 |
| Donation | 210.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 | 310.00 |
| Incorporation | 0.00 | 10.00 | 0.00 | 10.00 |
| Newsletter | 19.44 | 0.00 | 6.51 | 25.95 |
| Programs | 350.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 350.00 |
| Student Day | -45.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -45.00 |
| Treasurer | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14.95 | 14.95 |
| Website | 500.00 | 0.00 | 41.99 | 541.99 |
| Year Book | 447.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 447.47 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 1,531.91 | 10.00 | 163.45 | 1,705.36 |
| OVERALL TOTAL | -1,306.91 | 130.00 | -148.45 | -1,325.36 |

Our current checking balance is \$15,490.04 and the Memorial Scholarship Fund is \$1,546.34

2010 MTNA National Conference
 CLICK LINK for details
<http://members.mtna.org/Conference2010/index.html>

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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!

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

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\$25 – 1/2 Page

\$30 – Full Page

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Please Note: Julie Cleveland's phone number is listed incorrectly in the BCMTA Yearbook. She can be contacted at:

[clevelandpianostudio](http://www.clevelandpianostudio.com)

<http://www.clevelandpianostudio.com>

juliecleveland@mac.com

cell: 561.376.5980 (this number does not accept texts)

LAST CALL

The Broward County Music Teachers Association **NEEDS YOUR HELP!** We would like to create a memorial page for Barry Weinberg on our BCMTA website and would like to include any thoughts, memories, and/or anecdotes you would like to share. Please send these to bmuze@bellsouth.net for inclusion on the webpage. Comments can be posted anonymously, but we need content to make this page possible.

Dr. Rita Hutcherson Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund has begun in the memory of Dr. Hutcherson. 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.

[Click Here](#)
to see how the fund
has grown

A ♪ from Newsletter Editor...

Next Deadline: March 7, 2010

Teacher news, event information, yearbook updates, student news, & advertisements are all welcome! Advertising checks are payable to BCMTA & can be sent to Barbara Muze: bmuze@bellsouth.net

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.bcmta.org where you can find past issues dating back to 2007!

District IV Enrichment Day

DATE: March 5, 2010
TIME: 10:00 am until 12:30 pm.
FREE - Lunch will be provided
PLACE: Steinway Piano Gallery
4104 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Coral Gables FL 33146

AN INFORMATIVE MORNING AND GREAT WAY TO MEET AND NETWORK WITH
TEACHERS FROM MIAMI-DADE AND PALM BEACH COUNTIES.

(Please send an e-mail to bmuze@bellsouth.net if you are willing to drive and/or need to carpool)

PROGRAM:

Kirk Whipple & Marilyn Morales, Duo Pianists and Composers will present a two and a half hour performance and workshop for music educators. The duo will perform selections for solo, duet and two pianos from their extensive repertoire of traditional and original works. The duo plans to present the following and other topics of interest.

Reaching Children in the Modern Age

In a culture where classical music is competing with an increasingly disparate society, what can serious educators do to foster interest in music amongst children? The duo have extensive experience presenting concerts in schools and will talk about their challenges and success stories.

The Myth of “Perfect Pitch” and How to Get “It.”

Whipple wrote a series of articles dedicated to the subject of tonal memory, commonly referred to as “perfect pitch.” The entire series is available at the following link:

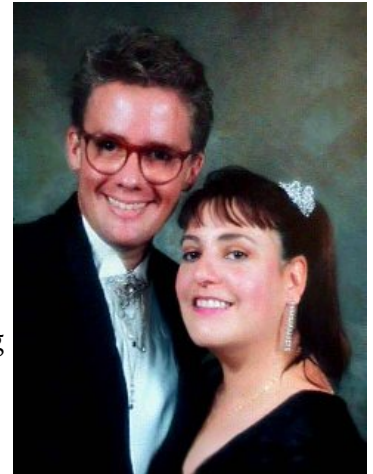
www.unconservatory.org/perfect_pitch

The Artist’s Life – or “Reality 101”

Students work very hard for years to attain a professional level of musicianship, at which point the big question is usually, “What now?” Many serious music students give up when faced with the challenge of making a life as a serious musician. The duo will offer insight into their resources for pre-professional musicians.

Q & A

Ask the duo anything about their lives as touring concert artists, composers, arrangers, educators, festival and concert producers, record producers.



Links to explore from the Whipple – Morales Piano Duo:

www.kennedy-center.org/programs/millennium/artist_detail.cfm?artist_id=KIRKWHIPPL

1-hour live concert recorded at The Kennedy Center Millennium Stage. Serious works are in the first half, lighter works towards the end of the concert.

www.cranberrycoastconcerts.com

The web site for the annual summer festival produced by the duo. Season 5 will take place in 2010.

www.myspace.com/88wm88

Whipple & Morales myspace page with some musical excerpts.

www.myspace.com/ufooriginal

Myspace page for The Unconservatory Festival Orchestra, a.k.a. The UFO. There is a 10-minute video here of the duo performing Bach with chamber orchestra – and more coming soon on this site.

www.whipmo.com

Under construction. This is the new publishing site for the duo. They plan to promote their original recordings, scores and other services here.

www.unconservatory.org

The educational site of the duo’s non-profit organization. Many of the pages are being updated, but there is a great deal of educational content that teachers may access. Info for the “teachers only” sections: User ID = teacher Password = oboe

Special Ticket Offer for all BCMTA Teachers, Students and Parents!
PIANO RECITALS AT THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS



Master Series March 7, 8, 9, 2010

Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Amaturo Theatre



Sunday
March 7

Ilya Itin (Russia)
RUSSIAN MUSIC MARATHON!
3:00 p.m.
PROKOFIEV
Peter & the Wolf
(Narrated by Martin Bookspan)
Sonatas No. 7 & 8
("War Sonatas")
8:00 p.m.
RACHMANINOFF
Prelude Op. 3 No. 2
10 Preludes Op. 23
13 Preludes Op. 32



Monday
March 8

Gulsin Onay (Turkey)
8:00 p.m.
BEETHOVEN
Sonata in Op.27, No. 2
("Moonlight")
BARTOK
Sketches Op.9b
CHOPIN
Andante Spianato &
Grand Polonaise
Sonata in B minor, Op.58



Tuesday
March 9

Jorge Luis Prats (Cuba)
8:00 p.m.
SCHUMANN
Symphonic Etudes
ALBENIZ "Iberia"
El Corpus en Sevilla
Malaga- Jerez
SCHUBERT
'Grazer Fantasie' D. 60
'Kupelwieser Walzer'
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