

President's Message



Dear Members,

Thank you to all those who came out in the pouring rain for our annual Open House. We give many thanks to First Baptist Church of Pompano Beach for the use of their fine facilities. A wonderful program of music by our competition winners, organized by our hard-working Competition Chairman, Rosalie Gregory, was followed by the presentation of the BCMTA Distinguished Service Award to Myra Weaver for the cultural contributions that she and her husband Bob, who passed away in 2006, have made here in South Florida, especially with their 20 years work on behalf of the Florida Youth Orchestra.

Catherine Gavin made an eloquent and touching presentation. Thank you, Catherine. After the presentation, all the committee chairs introduced themselves and gave a brief overview of their events for the year. The reception that followed was a great time of mingling, networking and getting to know one other. Thank you to Diana Heller, who organized the reception. Thank you Hospitality Committee for helping to set up and clean up.

We also had three new members to welcome: Denise Tomlinson, Barbara Muze and Cesar Taveras. Welcome to BCMTA! Thank you to

Peggy Gallagher, Vice-President of Membership for her hard work on behalf of our new members!

The next big event on our calendar is the 2007 Florida State Music Teachers' Conference. This will take place in Boca Raton, October 19-21, 2007. Please plan to attend the many concerts, workshops, programs, showcases and master classes in voice, strings and piano, scheduled for your enlightenment, enjoyment, and education. After all, you are never too old to learn something new! There will be something that will appeal to

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Master Class with Pianist, Gila Goldstein, Oct 17th

Pianist Gila Goldstein, who is a Visiting Assistant Professor this fall semester at UFL Gainesville (sabbatical replacement for the chair of the piano dept., Prof. Boaz Sharon), will give a Master Class on **Wednesday, October 17, at 12:00 PM.** The master class will be at Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. For further details please email coltman@fau.edu.

Ms. Goldstein will give a recital in Miami at the Steinway Gallery in Coral Gables, on Sunday, October 14, at 3pm including works by Bach, Schubert/Liszt, Mendelssohn,

Prokofiev and Schumann. The recital will be at the Steinway Gallery, 4104 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Coral Gables, Miami. For more information, contact Mr. Jim Beach at (305) 774-9878 or jbeach@steinway.com

Gila Goldstein, a native of Israel, has been living in New York City for the past two decades. She is an alumna of the University of Tel-Aviv's Academy of Music and the Manhattan School of Music. Her teachers were Prof. Victor Derevianko (in Tel-Aviv) and Prof. Nina Svetlanova who were both disciples of the legendary pianist

and pedagogue Heinrich Neuhaus.

Ms. Goldstein has had an international career to great acclaim and performed throughout the USA, as well as in Canada, Mexico, Europe, Southeast Asia and Israel. She has also adjudicated and given master classes worldwide. Ms. Goldstein is the leading specialist in the piano music of Israel's national composer Paul Ben-Haim (1897-1984) and has recorded two volumes of his piano and chamber music on the Centaur label. This coming Sep. 19 she will perform

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• Calendar •

October 6

Pedagogy Workshop (FAU)
Dr. Judith Burganger

October 17

Master Class
Gila Goldstein (FAU)

October 19-21

FSMTA State Conference
Boca Raton

October 27

Postmark Deadline
Student Day Entrance

November 10

Pedagogy Workshop (FAU)
Dr. Judith Burganger

November 17

Student Day
Theory Exams

December 16

BCMTA Holiday Party
Home of Mary Beth
Purchase



*3rd General Meeting &
Speaker, Barry Weinberg*

January 4, 2008

*Steinway Gallery,
Boca Raton*

• Pedagogy Saturday Workshops •

Presented by Dr. Judith Burganger

1st Workshop this Saturday, Oct 6th!



I would like to invite all the members and their capable students to the 2007-08 continuing series of informal Pedagogy Saturday Workshops.

There will be 5 sessions taking place on October 6th, Nov 10th, Dec 1st, Jan 19th, and Mar 22nd from 4-5:30 pm in room 248 in the College of Arts and Letters on the FAU Boca campus.

Sessions will be intimate and informal which lends itself to nonrestrictive open dialogues and demo/discussions. Everyone should feel at ease to ask questions regarding anything of interest or concern about teaching and performing. Areas of interest might be: preparation for competitive events, suggestions for various pedal techniques, how to achieve tone quality differences, how to move with the musical phrasing, how dynamics become one with movement, suggestions for

fingering, what is the "right" tempo, and all kinds of other exciting ideas that might emerge. All pianists/teachers/ students are invited. There will be opportunities for master classes on at least 2 of the class dates. There is no charge for these classes.

I will be looking forward to working with each and every one of you who come to share! Please contact me at burganger@fau.edu or jburganger@comcast.net or by telephone (FAU) 561.297.3329 or (H) 561.487.9539 before October 1st to indicate your interest.

Judith Burganger, Professor of Music
Department of Music
School of the Arts
FAU Boca Raton

• BCMTA Annual Holiday Party •

It's never too soon to plan a party! Mark the date of Sunday, Dec. 16 at 5pm as the BCMTA annual holiday party. This will be our BIGGEST and MOST SUCCESSFUL party ever and we need you there to join in the fun and the fabulous food. The place? The party will be at the home of Mary

Beth Purchase in Pompano Beach.

Start thinking about an interesting side dish to bring and also a surprise gift for the hysterical gift swapping game. Barbara Schaap, Hospitality Chairman, would appreciate your input. 954-597-1856.

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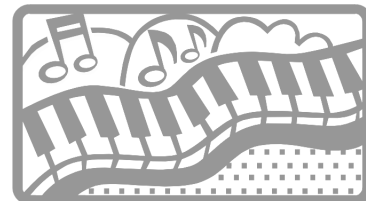
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Local Events

FAU Certificate Course Fall 2007: Graduate Piano Pedagogy (MUL 6410-001)...

This course is dedicated to the larger works from all periods including piano concerti. Students will prepare parts of the assigned compositions for biweekly presentation. (This on the level of good sight reading-NOT perfected performance.) A listening test plus a notebook of weekly class descriptions must be turned in at the end of the semester. These 3 areas of work will determine the final grade.

Dr. Judith Burganger teaches this course on Thursdays from 10 AM - 12:50 PM and it runs from 8/25-12/13 in her studio AL 254. Please join her in studying some of our great musical treasures!

Contact info for Dr. Judith Burganger: burgang@fau.edu, jburganger@comcast.net or phone (W) 561.297.3329 or (H) 561.487.9539.

NFMC News...

BCMTA members recommend CDs by Judy Zahrndt as a teacher's aid for students performing festival duets. These CDs feature performances of the duets from the new NFMC bulletin. For more information or to order, go to

www.judyzpiano.com or call 225.752.0357.

The FJH Music Co, Inc. & Alfred Publications will also be creating CDs that will demonstrate their publications that were chosen for the new festival bulletin.

Chopin Foundation Gala... Mark your calendar and come to the Gala Celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Chopin Foundation of the U.S.

November 10, 2007, 6 PM at Surf Club, Miami Beach
Tickets start from \$150.
For more information call 305/868-0624.

• **BCMTA Yearbook Update** •

GET YOUR NEW YEARBOOK!

The official 2007-2008 BCMTA Yearbook is ready for you complete with a current events schedule and updated membership lists. Some new helpful and/or interesting items have been added.

If you haven't received your copy, yearbooks are available for pick up at Barbara Schaap's home in Tamarac (near Nob Hill and McNab).

If you would like a yearbook mailed to you, send a check for \$2.50 made out to Barbara Schaap (yearbook editor) to 7024 NW 101 Avenue, Tamarac, FL 33321.

FSMTA HANDBOOK:

Includes Student Day Info

To PURCHASE the current handbook, please contact Sue Colvert at jwcsr@aol.com. The handbook contains important information about Student Day & other competitive events.

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everyone. If you are unable to attend the entire weekend, just come for the days that you can. There are single day prices for each of the three days. Don't miss special conference speaker, well-known author and lecturer Stuart Isacoff, founder and publisher of Piano Today Magazine on Friday morning, October 19th, 2007. Students are admitted free all day Saturday, October 20th, and don't forget the Saturday evening banquet, where we will get to hear inspiring banquet speaker, Joanna

Marie from WXEL. The evening concert will follow the banquet and will feature conference artists, The Duo Turgeon.

If you are planning to attend and would like to contribute your efforts to ours, volunteers are still needed for short periods of time throughout the weekend. Please contact Mary McOwen 561-276-5124 or e-mail: twobytwo7@bellsouth.net.

I hope to see you there!
Mary Beth Purchase

Important Yearbook Changes!

Composition Competition Change from Yearbook:

Instead of creating our categories by grades, we will be going by ages to be in sync with the State contest as follows:

- Elementary: Age 5 - 10 as of Jan. 1, 2008
- Intermediate: Age 11 - 14 as of Jan. 1, 2008
- Senior: Age 15 - 18 as of Jan. 1, 2008

Composition Chairman: Barbara Kaskinen

Please change page E-9 #3 and E-14 #5 to read as follows:

A student cannot repeat a piece from any BCMTA sponsored event or competition from the preceding year.

Goldstein

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his monumental piano concerto with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra in Israel. She serves on the board of directors of the American Liszt Society and is the founder-president of its NY/NJ chapter. She is the artistic director of the Trail Mix Concert Series in upstate NY and serves on the faculty of the Montclair State University's John J. Cali School of Music in NJ. Please visit her web site: www.gilagoldstein.com

Thomas Hecht, Pianist

NOVEMBER CONCERT AND MASTER CLASS
LYNN UNIVERSITY, BOCA RATON

The Lynn University Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton will present pianist Thomas Hecht, Head of Piano Studies at the Yong Siew Toh Conservatory at the National University in Singapore and visiting faculty member of the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, in concert and master class. Hecht's imaginative recital *Cont. to right*

program will take place on Saturday evening, Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall on the LYNN campus and includes music of Soler, Poulenc, Albeniz, Mussorgsky and an original composition. For ticket information please call 561-237-9000.

Dr. Hecht enjoys a well-deserved reputation as a leading teacher of his generation. As a student of Leon Fleisher he was asked to become his mentor's teaching assistant, an honor that Mr. Fleisher--one of the greatest pianists of our time--had never before bestowed on a pianist. Hecht will give a master class on Sunday morning Nov. 11 at 11:00 a.m. in the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall at LYNN. Admission to the master class is free.

member news

Condolences... On behalf of the BCMTA, our sympathies to Marie McGuire (past Dist VI president and a longtime member of BCMTA) on the passing of her husband Jim McGuire.

Congratulations... BCMTA welcomes new members Barbara Muze, Cesar Taveras, and Denise Tomlinson.

Announcements

St. Gregory Catholic Church is looking for a pianist/organist for every other Wednesday night choir rehearsals. Please contact Dr. Irena Kofman at 954.796.0567.

The **Boynton Regional Symphony Orchestra** will be celebrating the 200th birthday of Felix Mendelssohn. We would like to feature qualified youngsters who would be able to perform either the G Minor Piano concerto or the E Minor violin Concerto in the 2008-09 season. Please have them email me at bmvolkman@aol.com. I will try to arrange audition dates at a convenient time for all. Thank you. Barry Volkman, Music Director

FOR SALE!

Steinway Grand Piano... Gene Putnam is selling a Steinway "C" piano. This 1925 piano has been completely redone and is 5'8". Asking \$25,000 or good offer. Please contact Gene at 954-793-7905.

Violin for Sale... Diana Heller has a wonderful violin made by the Vega Company of Boston, Mass. for sale. Made in about 1943, this full sized instrument is valued at \$6,000. This is a great violin for a serious high school student wanting a big sound for competitions. Please contact Diana at 954-475-0428.

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Newsletter deadline is the 15th for the next month's issue. Thank you!