March 1st, 2018



# DMTA Today March/April 2018



### **From the President**

Greetings! What a wonderful time of year! Just as soon as we think we can't take any more of the cold, wet and windy weather, Spring pokes out its head in grass beginning to green, flowers and trees beginning to bud and we feel renewed. I hope you are experiencing the same feeling within your teaching and your studio. I think our students experience much the same blahs that we do in these cold months. Maybe bringing a new challenge, studying a piece in a different light or revving up practice habits with a renewed energy will go along with the brightness and the warmth. Here's hoping for a smooth finish as you head toward the end of the school year!



Lois Landrum, DMTA President

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#### **Computer Corner** A Guide to the DMTA Website <u>www.dallasmta.org</u>

**Home Page**: Upcoming meetings, Find a Teacher, Make a Donation to DMTA, Dallas Piano Solo Brochure

**About Us Page:** Board Member Contact Information

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**Contact Us Page:** General inquiries and messages

#### Member Log In is found at the bottom

#### **Upcoming DMTA Meetings**

Meetings are held at Steinway-Hall Dallas

*Sunday, March* 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 Business Meeting

#### Sunday, April 8 2018, 4:00 PM

Performances by the High School Senior Musician Candidates and Hazel Cobb Memorial Original Composition Recital

#### Sunday, May 6 2018, 4:00 PM- at Collora Piano

Our very own Andrey Ponochevny (piano faculty, University of Dallas) presents a recital. Mr. Ponochevny was awarded third prize in the XIII Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow; he has toured all over the world. His sound is rich and incredible.

#### **Recital Series** 2 opportunities left this year!

Becoming a confident performer requires performing experience, and DMTA provides four opportunities each year to augment those you provide in your private studio. Students of all ages, levels and abilities receive valuable experience in a formal, yet friendly, atmosphere. The recitals are held at King of Glory Lutheran Church on the LBJ Freeway. We have a very responsive piano and excellent setting for the recitals.

We have already had two recitals this year and with two left, for school-age students. There is also an opportunity for adult performers the first Saturday in May, hosted by Steinway Hall with Stephen Nielson as Sponsor.

Dates for the two remaining recitals are March 18 and April 15, Sunday afternoons at 3 o'clock. Recitals typically last from 45 minutes to an hour. Details for registration can be found in the DMTA Yearbook.

Both recitals occur before Achievement Auditions and can be some extra performance experience for your students.

If you have questions, contact Ruth Myrick – 972-369-9996, or remyrick@gmail.com.

Interested in discounted group tickets to any DSO concert? Contact Jena Tunnell, Advertising and Group Sales Manager, at (214)-871-4025 or <u>j.tunnell@dalsym.com</u>. Visit <u>www.MyDSO.com</u> for performance information.

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Saturday March 3rd, 2018 at 1:30 pm

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Adam Wodnicki will be performing at Brookhaven College on March 24<sup>th</sup>- concert information can be found on the following page.

# Brookhaven School of the Arts

### **Music Department Presents**

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## Brookhaven College

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Just performed in Italy and Uruguay in last summer, pianist Christina Long will present a recital entitled 'Exotic Inspiration' at Steinway Hall, Plano (58(3 Preston Re. #570, Plano, 75093) on March 24 (Saturday) at 7:30 pm. Program will include pieces by Scarlatti, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Griffes, Schumann, Liszt, Debussy and Sczymanowski.



#### From the Artist:

"Nowadays we hear news, see pictures, or take trips to explore the world. Composers use music to share their inspiration from foreign land or people. Even up till half century ago, traveling was rare and considered a privilege for rich and famous. I would like to share examples of how musicians kept their "musical blogs". These could be memories from taking actual trips or just reading literature, seeing the painting, or hearing the sound. The recital will provide opportunities for us to travel aurally to be an exotic land. That is the power of the art! It will take us to places that we have never been."



# **Bancroft Family Concerts**

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April 14

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2018 David Karp Piano Festival

Saturday, April 7, 2018

<b>Division I</b>	<b>Division II</b>	<b>Division III</b>
A First Toccatina	Autumn Rag	Blue Tune
<i>Take a Break!</i>	Let's Go Solo, Bk. 2	<i>Let's Go Solo, Bk.2</i>
(Willis)	(FJH)	(FJH)
Juggling	Cool Beat Blues	Monday Morning Blues
Let's Go Solo, Bk. 1	<i>Let's Go Solo, Bk. 2</i>	Solo-ettes
(FJH)	(FJH)	(FJH)
Lupines	Dancing Rain	Sam's Song
Let's Go Solo, Bk. 1	<i>Jubilant Sound</i>	<i>Let's Go Solo, Bk. 3</i>
(FJH)	(Alfred)	(FJH)
Morning Prayer	Nocturne in D	Saturday Night Stroll
<i>Solo Souvenir</i>	<i>Shades of Time</i>	<i>Let's Go Solo, Bk. 3</i>
(FJH)	(FJH)	(FJH)
Song of Spring	Spanish Garden	Summertime Stroll
<i>Solo Souvenirs</i>	<i>More Solo Souvenirs</i>	<i>Jazz'n Such</i>
(FJH)	(FJH)	(Willis)
Texas Tacos	Tina's Tango	A Time to Remember
<i>Jubilant Sounds</i>	<i>Solo-ettes</i>	Let's Go Solo, Bk. 3
(Alfred)	(FJH)	(FJH)
	More information on the back	



The David Karp Piano Festival is hosted each year by the Piano Division of Kilgore College. It is an opportunity for all area piano students to prepare and perform for formal adjudication. The 2018 Festival is scheduled for auditions from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 7th, 2018, in the Anne

Dean Turk Fine Arts Building. Selected students will perform in a recital at 2:00 p.m. in the Van Cliburn Auditorium.

David Karp, nationally known pianist, composer, educator, lecturer and author, holds degrees from the Manhattan School of Music and the University of Colorado with additional doctoral studies at Teachers College, Columbia University. He has performed, lectured and conducted workshops and seminars at many colleges and universities from Alaska to New Hampshire and as far away as Taiwan. A prolific composer, Dr. Karp has received numerous commissions from music teachers' organizations and has been nominated by the Dallas Music Teachers Association for the Texas Music Teachers Composer of the Year award. At Southern Methodist University, Dr. Karp teaches classes in performance, chamber music, improvisation, advanced class piano for piano majors, required piano classes for music majors and sight-reading classes for piano majors. He has served on the University Senate and was a member of the Nominating Committee for Honorary Doctorates.

When not teaching the Karp family enjoys spending time at their summer cottage in Maine.

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Students may enter in only one solo category: Division I, II, or III. Soloists may also enter in the Duet Division IV. Required pieces will be performed from memory (excluding duets). An original copy of the music must be provided for the judge. Copied music will not be allowed. Each student will receive an adjudication sheet with a rating and a ribbon. Preliminary judges will select finalists from each division who will perform in a recital on Saturday afternoon, in the Van Cliburn Auditorium. At the recital, Dr. Karp will award trophies to first, second, and third place winners in each division. He will be available to autograph music after the recital.

Each student entering the Festival must send the following information on a  $3 \times 5$  index card:

- 1. Name
- 2. Age
- 3. Telephone number
- 5. Teacher's name
- 6. Division
  - 7. Title of composition
- 4. Teacher's mailing address

A non-refundable **\$20 entry fee** and a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** must accompany each index card. Failure to send in an index card for each student will result in disqualification of the student. Entries must be postmarked no later than **March 23rd, 2018**. Checks should be made payable to Kilgore College Piano Club. Inquiries and entries should be addressed to Jonathan Kaan, Department of Music and Dance, Kilgore College. 1100 Broadway, Kilgore, Texas, 75662-3204.

For more information, please contact Jonathan Kaan.

Tel: 903-988-7519 Email: JKaan@Kilgore.edu

### **Ensemble75 Concerto Competition**

Since its inception, Ensemble75 has provided seven seasons of concerts to the DFW Metroplex, each consisting of innovative programming performed by some of the world's most promising musicians. Performers featured on Enseble75's concerts have gone on to study at music schools such as the New England Conservatory and Juilliard, as well as obtaining posts in some of the important institutions around the world, such as the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, the Hong Kong Philharmonic, and the Berlin Philharmonic.

Following the standards of innovation and quality of performance established during our tenure. Ensemble75's concerto competition seeks to promote some of the region's premier pre-college musical artists and to present them with a competition opportunity that reflects the experience of the elite international competitions offered to professional musicians. The Cezanne Quartet (Peak Fellowship Ensemble-in-Residence at SMU Meadows School of the Arts 2015-2017) will accompany six finalists in a live concert setting, in front of a competition jury consisting of musicians who have distinguished themselves in their field.

Competition is open to applicants who have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

Repertoire list includes many works by Vivaldi, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, and more. Additions to the Ensemble75 Concerto Competition repertoire list will be made if the applicant can provide proof (score, parts, etc.) that the piece can be performed with a string quartet accompaniment.

> For more information, complete repertoire list, and application, please visit: http://ensemble75.com/competition.php.



#### **Double Treble** Chloé Trevor, violin Stirling Trent, violin Ionathan Tsay, piano

Music of Mosekowski Prokofiev, and more!

Saturday, September 30th; 2017 8:00PM Sammons Center for the Arts Dallas, Texas Tickets: \$20 general/\$5 with Student I.D.



#### 2017 Benefit Concert featuring

**Cliburn International Amateur** Piano Competition Gold Medalists Dr. Thomas Yu and Dr. Christopher Shih

Proceeds go towards the Inaugural Ensemble75 Concerto Competition

Sunday, November 12th, 2017 7:30PM Caruth Auditorium Meadows School of the Arts Southern Methodist University, Dallas TX Tickets: \$35 general/\$10 with Student I.D.



Lyrical Virtuosity Alex McDonald, piano Grace Wollett, violin Rachel Li McDonald, viola Joseph Kuipers, cello

Music of Rachmaninoff and more!

Sunday, January 28th, 2018. 7:00PM Christ United Methodist Church Plano, TX Free Admission



comes to play Dr. Jo

#### Inaugural Ensemble75 **Concerto Competition** for Young Artists

Six young artists will perform chamber concerti with the Cézanne Quartet in an exciting

final round for a chance to win cash prizes including an Audience Favorite Award.

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 3:00PM Bank of America Theatre Eisemann Center Richardson, D/ Tickets: \$20 general/\$5 with Student I.D.



n Tsay, Artistic Directo

Seascapes Curated by Margaret Shin Fischer, flute Music of Kevin Puts and more!

Sunday, April 22nd, 2018 7:00PM TBA - Dallas TX Free Admission



Season Finale -Haute Hot

Monday, May 14th, 2018 7:00PM Christ United Methodist Church Plano, TX Tickets: \$20 general/\$5 with Student I.D.

For more information visit www.ensemble75.com

2018



The DMTA round of the TMTA Solo Performance Competitions took place February 18 at Collora Pianos. Congratulations to these unranked winners who were selected to proceed to the regional competitions!

#### Grade 7 Piano Solo

Isabel Martinez - student of YiFan Liu Allyson Chen - student of Samuel Wong Ella Tran - student of Dr. Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald Alena Zhang - student of YiFan Liu

#### Grade 8 Piano Solo

Esther Pham - student of Dr. Alex McDonald Julia Luo - student of Samuel Wong Vrinda Varada - student of Dr. Alex McDonald Catherine Wang - student of YiFan Liu Kyle Cornelison - student of Dr. Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald

#### Grade 9 Piano Solo

Pranay Varada - student of Dr. Alex McDonald Claire Chiang - student of Dr. Cathy Lysinger Sunny Hua - student of Dr. Alex McDonald Sidney Levey - student of Dr. Alex McDonald An Tran - student of Kevin Gunter 1st alternate - Charlie Zhang - student of Kevin Gunter

#### Grade 10 Piano Solo

Ashley Tauhert - Student of Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald Bryan Ge - Student of YiFan Liu Sean Zhao - Student of Stephen Nielson

#### Grade 11 Piano Solo

Michael Lukowitz - Student of Liudmila Georgievskaya Lauren Quyang - Student of Dr. Cathy Lysinger

#### Grade 12 Piano Solo Josephine Chiu - Student of Marcy McDonald and Dr. Alex McDonald

### Congratulations to the following who were selected as unranked winners of the concerto and young artist divisions and will proceed directly to the semi-final round of the state competitions.

#### 9 - 10 Concerto

Shiv Yajnik - student of Marcy McDonald & Dr. Alex McDonald Angela Yi - student of YiFan Liu Gordon Liu - student of Dr. Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald Jessica Zhang - student of YiFan Liu Arushi Mukherjee - student of Marcy McDonald 1st Alternate - Jonathan Li - student of YiFan Liu

#### 11 - 12 Concerto

Dylan Liu - student of Dr. Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald Shaun Orth - student of Marcy McDonald & Dr. Alex McDonald Jason Zhu - student of Dr. Alex McDonald & Marcy McDonald Joye Chan - student of YiFan Liu Richard Liu - student of Marcy McDonald & Dr. Alex McDonald Cincy Lu - student of Samuel Wong 1st Alternate - Wani Zhang - student of YiFan Liu

#### Young Artist - Solo Cynthia Gu - student of Dr. Catherine Lysinger







Beatrice Nilsson Carney, age 99, died January 28, 2018 in Bentonville, Arkansas. She was born in New York City on September 20, 1918, the daughter of Harry Charles Nilsson and Beatrice Robb Nilsson. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 67 years, Hugh William Carney, in 2008.

She is survived by two sons, William Nilsson Carney and his wife Virginia, James Nilsson Carney and his wife Rita, and one daughter, Susan Carney Earls, as well as four grandchildren: Laura Smyczek and her husband Ron, Kevin Carney and his wife Kim, Michael Carney, and Sarah Busch and her husband Kyle; and four great-grandchildren: Sophie Claire Smyczek, Audrey Grace Smyczek, William Xavier Smyczek and Alexandrea Susan Carney. She is also survived by her sister Eileen Mundy, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Her sisters, Mona and Melba, and her brother Harry preceded her in death.

Bea Carney taught piano in Dallas for over 30 years. She created \*Bea's Music Teaching Aids\*, and was a popular workshop presenter. She was a member of the Dallas Music Teachers Association, the Southwest Dallas Music Teachers Association and the alumni chapter of Mu Phi Epsilon at Southern Methodist University.

She has willed her body to science through University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. Arrangements are by Benton County Funeral Home. A private Memorial Mass will be celebrated at St. Stephen Catholic Church.

Bea will be greatly missed by her family and numerous friends, including Patty Beach, Barb Ryan and Sharon Murphy, her beloved Blue Birds and Camp Fire Girls.

#### "A Pilgrimage of Russian Music" A Celebration of the Great Russian Composers

PianoTexas PrepFest

June 11 - 17, 2018 at TCU

Besides the usual programs for Young Artists and Teachers, PIANOTEXAS will present the first PREPFEST this summer. Our goal is to create a caring and beneficial atmosphere for pre-college students (Grades 1 through 12).

Application Deadline: March 5<sup>th</sup> for performers, May 1<sup>st</sup> for general observers. Please visit the website <u>www.pianotexas.org</u> for details.

### **Studio Openings**

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