

# **DMTA Today**

May/June 2017



## From the President

As we wind down another year, I think it is prudent to evaluate. Have we achieved our goals that we set? Are there things we wish we had done in our studios and/or activities of DMTA? What did we do that worked very well? What didn't work so well? Even if we are seasoned teachers, there are always things to learn. I feel that if I am not learning, I am not growing. I can truly say that I have learned a lot this year. In my evaluation of the year, I have also formed new friendships and strengthened old ones. I am thankful that I am a member of DMTA, where we can grow together and keep learning!

I wish each of you a restful summer, bringing you with new energy and inspiration to a successful 2017-18 year for you, your family and your studio.



Lois Landrum, DMTA President

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## **Computer Corner**

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www.dallasmta.org

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messages

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## **Upcoming DMTA Meetings**

All meetings are held at Steinway-Hall Dallas.

Wednesday, May 3 2017, 10:00 AM Jonathan Tsay, Recital

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 www.MyDSO.com for performance information.

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## **Recital Series**

May 6th, 6:00 PM

Deadline: April 24th sponsor: Stephen Nielson sncn@sncngroup.com

King of Glory Lutheran Church 6411 Lyndon B. Johnson Fwy., Dallas, TX 75240

Important Note: Jazz-Pop Festival will be held October 14th, 2017

Collora Piano

1451 Wycliff Ave Dallas, TX 75207

For questions, contact Leonardo Zuno or Rachel Smith leonardo@micsquare.org smith.racheldenise@gmail.com

## **CHAMBER MUSIC INITIATIVE: LET'S JOIN FORCES!**

I would like to invite you all to join me in an effort to launch a Chamber Music initiative: "We Play Better Together: The Pianist as the Consummate Musical Partner". My goal is to connect my students with instrumental and vocal students of other studios and include chamber music repertoire as well as art song of any style in our curriculum. The idea is that the teachers of collaborating studios, instrumental and vocal alike will coach ensembles through the year. There will be at least one culminating public performance of the pieces prepared by our formed ensembles. Additionally, there are some excellent performance opportunities and competitions for those accomplished groups that would like to take the experience even further!

Would you be interested in bringing more Chamber Music and Song repertoire training and performance opportunities to your students? Your feedback, insight, input and collaboration are greatly appreciated!!!! I look forward to hearing from you!!

Dr. Anatolia Ioannides
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## **Bancroft Family Concerts**

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#### May 13: The Cézanne Quartet

The Charles Barr Memorial Concert features the Cézanne Quartet, Peak Fellowship Ensemble- in-Residence at SMU Meadows School of the Arts, performing music by Mozart, Schubert, and Bartok.

Eleanor Dunbar, violin Lauren Densinger, violin Steven Juarez, viola Elizabeth White, cello



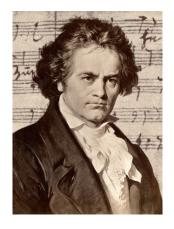
### Elena Tsvetkova in Concert

Solo recital on Saturday, June 17th at 6:00 pm- free admission.

Collora Piano, Dallas (1451 Wycliff Ave)

Music by Bach, Brahms, Tchaikovsky and Medtner.





The Basically Beethoven 2017 Summer Festival, now in its 37th year, is excited to present our own Stephen Nielson, Steinway Artist, along with Dallas Symphony violinist Motoi Takeda and rising young mezzo soprano Caroline Nielson in a program entitled "Stephen Nielson & Friends." The concert, at 3:00 pm on Sunday, July 23, is in the highly regarded Dallas City Performance Hall, and is free to the public.

It will be a family-friendly program featuring music of **Beethoven** (of course!), **Poulenc, Amy Beach, Richard Strauss** and transcriptions of famous tunes, as well as a special surprise guest!

Please plan on this delightful hour-long concert and bring family, friends and students!

Concerts for The **Basically Beethoven 2017 Summer Festival** are held every Sunday in July, and are presented by the Fine Arts Chamber Players. For more information, please visit their website:

http://www.fineartschamberplayers.org/events/

#### **VOCAL SOLO PERFORMANCE CONTEST WINNERS**

1.9/10 Vocal: JESSICA GORDON (Lois Landrum, teacher)

2. 11/12 Vocal: MICHAEL NGUYEN (Lois Landrum, teacher)

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