

Music Teachers' Association of California

NOVEMBER
2010



Notations

ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH

NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT



.Are you ready for Certificate of Merit? Don't forget that the deadline is coming up on November 15th. Checks should be sent to Elaine Archer by the following day, and of course it is always good to remember to thank Judi Moore for her tireless effort and generosity. Judi opened her home welcoming new members with homemade muffins and fresh coffee for the new member meeting on Sept. 22nd. She and Barbara Bruce have extended a warm welcome and gave a thorough presentation of our main branch events. Of course, Barbara is our go-to gal when it comes to chairing the festivals and workshops. She and Carolyn Hailey both work very hard on our student workshop to provide our students with extra opportunities to

perform their work. Also, many thanks to Jin Sun Koh for arranging the community outreach performance for our students.

My next thank-you list goes to Ming-I Chen and Lynn DeCosa. Our branch has moved a big step toward 21st-century technology. The board approved the upgrade of our website, so in the future each teacher will have his or her own login page. The new system is also capable of registering students online to prevent paper waste. It is a daunting task involving communicating with our website designer, choosing photos and colors for the design layout, communicating to the chairs about content and the list goes on. During this transition period, Lynn also continues work on the monthly newsletter. I encourage you to browse our website at

www.mtacoc.org

Please let her know your appreciation or comments. It's not complete and developing a website is a continuous process. If you don't see the program you want to read about, it will be there eventually. If the program is on the website, I ask you please read and research your answer before calling the chair. It helps our chairs to concentrate on the really important matters that no one can replace.

One of the major discussions at the last board meeting was the delegation of chair's duties. For the chairs, please take a serious look at your tasks. If it takes over 5 hours, it's time that we break up the duties and let other members get involved. Every small task like mailing the envelopes, on the phone with judges, sending e-mails all count.

NOVEMBER MEETING, WED. 3RD

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*9:00 AM Board * 9:45 Social *10:15AM Meeting/Program
Field's Piano 810 E. Dyer Rd. Santa Ana 714-662-2117

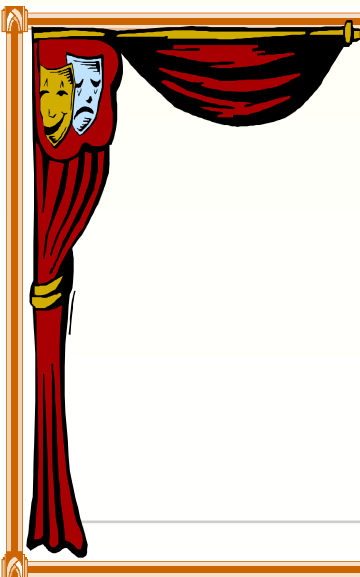
Orange County Branch proudly presents

A journey.....

Into the Woods

With the cast from UC Irvine

Daniel Gary Busby, Musical Director



My goal is to make the board as transparent as possible so everyone can participate and have a voice in our decision making process. The same token also holds true in terms of membership participation. We need YOU to participate.

Dr. Janice Park and Dr. Charles Baker have arranged a variety of programs. Last month was about the vision. Next month is about theater. We are glad to have Dr. Gary Busby, Director of UCI Musical Theatre as our guest. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting next month.

Enjoy the rest of October.

Doris Chiang



About the artist...

Dr. Daniel Gary Busby earned his DMA from UCLA in Orchestral and Operatic Conducting in 2000. He was the last conducting student of the late Samuel Krachmalnick and his wife, renowned dramatic soprano, Gloria Lane. He received his Bachelor of Music at Chapman in Piano Performance at Chapman University, studying with Dr. Joseph Matthews. His career has spanned the genres of choral, orchestral, operatic and musical theater conducting. His theater credits range from Stephen Schwartz' GODSPELL to Igor Stravinsky's THE RAKE'S PROGRESS. Dr. Busby is the principal conductor of the Los Angeles Civic Light Opera and regularly music directs and the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon. He is the Professor of Musical Theater Singing at the University of California, Irvine, where he and his recent production of THE WILD PARTY earned two Stage Scene LA awards: Outstanding Production for a Musical and Best Musical Direction.

Dr. Daniel Gary Busby
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DIRECTIONS: From 55 South take the second Dyer Rd. exit. Turn left at signal then make a u-turn at Tech Center Dr. After the u-turn, turn right into the **last small driveway** before the signal. Continue on back and Field's will be toward the right.

STUDENT WORKSHOP

Barbara Bruce and Carolyn Hailey

Saturday, Nov. 13, at 3PM

Please join us at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2120 S Valencia St, Rowland Heights, 91748. Take the Diamond Bar off-ramp from the 57 North.

Students need to register on the website. See instruct. on page 5 of this newsletter! Give yourself a few extra days to get the info on the web rather than wait until the usual Wednesday before if possible. This is our first website event regist. Let's make it a great success!

[\(timmzmom@sbcglobal.net\)](mailto:timmzmom@sbcglobal.net) .

BACH FESTIVAL *Susan Bana*

CONGRATULATIONS ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH BACH FESTIVAL WINNERS!

Dr. Joseph Matthews: Anna Nagy Second Place

Joan Lai: Christopher Sun Third Place, Ellen Naruse First Place

Kyung Bae: Katy Oh Third Place, Alexander Phan Third Place, David Smith Third Place, Isabelle Lee First Place.

Looking forward to the Bach Festival 2011!

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT *Judi Moore*



Registration closes at 11:59 p.m., November 15. Do not wait until the last day. The website cannot accommodate every teacher at the same time. Avoid the last minute rush. If you need help, please call or e-mail me at judimoore3@aol.com I will be in Germany, October 16 – November 6. If you need help during that time, e-mail Barbara Bruce at timzmom@sbcglobal.net

Mail your Student List, Student Fees List, and Teacher Work Contract with one check payable to MTAC Orange County Branch to Elaine Archer. It must be postmarked on or before **November 16. DO NOT SEND BY CERTIFIED MAIL.** If you need confirmation, e-mail Elaine instead.

Elaine Archer
5229 E. Muir Dr.
Orange, CA 92869

PianoTeacher Involvement Form: All teachers are required to help. Look for this form on the Branch website, www.mtacoc.org . The sooner you fill it out and mail it in to Molly Nguyen, the more likely you will be assigned the dates and job requested.

Theme Recital: Composers Born in Russia is the theme for 2011. This is for Path A students, Level 3 – Advanced. There is a 7 minute time limit, solos only. Khatchaturian is not accepted. He is Armenian. The syllabus incorrectly listed him as Russian.

Festival Recital: Repertoire must be within the 5 minute time limit. If it is over, the student will be dropped.

2010 Piano Theory Exams: We still have a few theory exams and sight reading books left. They will be available for purchase at the November Branch Meeting for \$.50 each.

Woodwind and Strings Teachers: All teachers are required to fill out a teacher involvement form. Look for it on the Branch website. It should be posted in December. Do not use the Piano Teacher Involvement Form.

Woodwind and Strings Student Scheduling: Unlike piano students that are assigned dates and times automatically, all woodwind and strings scheduling has to be done by hand. This is partly due to having to schedule accompanists. Woodwind and strings teachers must mail a copy of their student list to their respective chairs. Include the name of each student's accompanist. **Mail student list to your chair by January 1, 2011.**

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| Sarah Vay Kerns, Woodwinds | Joanne Ausmus Baker, Strings |
| 17782 Paseo Circle, Apt. A | 2418 E. Balfour Ave. |
| Huntington Beach, CA 92647 | Fullerton, CA 92831 |

NEW! Convention Participation Fee

Students who perform in CM Convention recitals and CT Convention recitals will be charged a \$20 Convention Participation Fee. The convention fee will be paid via PayPal or Credit Card between March 1 and April 15, during the Final Convention application process.

There will be an additional step to pay via PayPal or Credit Card in the Final Convention application process. The payment must be completed before an "F" appears on your confirmation printout. Teachers can only pay during Final Convention application, and not during registration or when completing the evaluation information form.

COMPOSER'S TODAY

Laurie Fischer-Blaisdell

The CT Evaluations deadline is **February 15**. This is a non-competitive learning experience where students receive a written response, in the form of constructive comments and ratings from two professional evaluators. And don't forget about the newest category of Composers' Today: Film Scoring. This is a great opportunity if you have students who want to try creating music for film. For more information, log on to www.mtac.org, click on Composers Today and click on Film Scoring for a demonstration or call Laurie at 714-392-5026.

Young Composers Guild

The deadline for your gifted high school/college composers to apply is **February 15**. Download the information and forms on the MTAC website or call Judith Moore.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Jinsun Koh

On Oct 16th, We had the wonderful opportunity to share our gift of music with Sunrise Senior Living in the city of La Palma.

16 students performed.

Participated studios were:

Jane Ko Heejin Kim Jin Sun Koh Sherry Lu

MEMBERSHIP

Barbara Bruce

Re-instated members

Kathryn Holder piano, active
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babyjopanic@gmail.com

Hanna Hyeyeon Kim-Ling cello, active
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Placentia, CA 92870
714-733-3149
cellosofun@hotmail.com

WEBSITE/NEWLETTER INFO

Lynn DeCosa

This is an exciting time for our branch with the launching of our new website! Hopefully you'll look around at all the pages and discover just how many wonderful programs our branch has to offer. I have been working with Stephen Mergener, from Mergener Enterprises, to make the navigation as user-friendly as possible.

It is really a "work of art" in progress, yet with a huge foundation of information already in place.

Branch Chairs: Please look at your particular page and let me know if there are any corrections or additions necessary. We'd like to include photos in the near future of each branch activity, so be thinking about that.

The deadline for web update will be the same as the Notations, **the 15th of the month**. I will be compiling website addition/change items monthly for our webmaster to update our site.

Our first pilot website registration event will be the November Student Workshop. If you are planning to have your students play, you will need to complete Steps 1, 2 AND 3. Not hard!!

MTAC-OC WEBSITE TEACHER'S LOGIN INSTRUCTIONS

Lynn DeCosa lmr5678@socal.rr.com

The following instructions are for **Login, editing teacher information** and registering students for various Branch programs,the first being our **Student Workshop in November**.

Log onto the Branch Website at www.mtacOC.org

Click on Login found on top right-side menu, **your default username is your email**. If you have no email address on file, your username will be your first and last name as one word. Please click under the Login box, "I forgot my password" to receive your password through email. This is only a **one-time password and you will need to change it to something that is unique**. Once you enter the username and password, you will see the Main Menu, which will list the following options:

Main Menu

Edit My Teacher Info

My Students

MTAC Events

View Students Registered by Event

View Teachers

FIRST - begin by editing your personal information:

Upon logging in, it is very important to verify your personal information contained in the database. To do this, click on Edit Teacher Info. Edit any of your personal information that may be incomplete or incorrect and create your own password if you are a first time user. Click Save, then Return to Main Menu.

SECOND - add your students to the database:

Click My Students on the Main Menu. **Click Add New Student**. Please mark "enabled" Complete all information for the student and click Save. Each student will be saved in a database and will appear on your My Students page. The Add New Student form will return to the My Students page when you are finished. You can also edit or delete student information from the My Students page. Once you are finished, click, "Return to Main Menu" to go back to the Main Menu. (You can disable a student without deleting)

THIRD - Register for an event: *Our first event is the November 13th Student Workshop* *All students need to be entered in the database before registration. No skipping* *Step #2 :)*

Click MTAC Events link on the Main Menu. All events with current open registration will be displayed.

- Step 1: This will present the Event's name and details. Please verify that this is the correct event you are registering for and click Register for Event.

- Step 2: If the event requires that a student be registered in a specific group, you will have to select a group or if the event allows duets, you will have to click on duet. Click the Next button.

- Step 3: Select Students to Play. Select your student from the drop down menu. Enter the required composition information including the performance time. When finished, click "Save Registration" at the bottom of the page. Once an application is complete you will return to the MTAC Events page. Click on "Register for Event" to add additional students.

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