



**WELCOME OUR NEW 2019-21
TMTF OFFICERS**

- President: Mun Lee Han, NCTM**
- Co-President: Donna Halleck**
- President-Elect: Agnes Wan, NCTM**
- Treasurer: Crystal Villanova**
- Associate Treasurer: Laura Cardin**
- Recording Secretary: Nancy Whitfield**
- Immediate Past-President: Lynn Kleisler, NCTM**
- Members at Large: Myrenna Kickasola, NCTM & Mary Ann Medlin, NCTM**

- Nominating Committee: Laura Cardin (chair), Mary Ann Medlin, NCTM,
Susan Atkins, NCTM**

TMTF CALENDAR

- July**
- NO STAFFLINES**
- 21 DEADLINE - August Stafflines**

- August**
- 16 TMTF Board Meeting**
- 21 DEADLINE - September Stafflines**
- 24 DEADLINE - Teacher Recital**

- September**
- 1 Teacher Recital - 2:30 pm - Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Norfolk, VA**
- 21 DEADLINE - October Stafflines**

Stay tuned for the 2019-20 calendar - coming in August



President's Notes

by Mun Lee Han, NCTM

Dear Fellow Music Teachers,

First, I want to thank TMTF for allowing me to serve as Co-President with Donna Halleck and be a part of an organization that not only gives knowledge back but allows friendships to be created. I would also like to express my thanks to Lynn Kleisler who provided the Forum with good sound leadership and she is surely going to be missed. She will continue her work with TMTF as the much honored Immediate Past President.

We are seeking a few good volunteers - Historian, Corresponding Secretary and Levels of Progress Chair. Come on, **"You can make a difference!"** We learn from – and help – each other in many ways. Contact me at tidewatermtf@gmail.com if you are interested, if you need more information or if you have any suggestions. I look forward to working with you.

New for 2019-2020, we will have our monthly meetings/workshops at **Jordan Kitts's Piano Warehouse** except for the month of March. Confirmed workshop details will be posted on our website: www.tmtf.org and <https://www.facebook.com/tidewatermusicteachers>.

Lastly, summertime is a great time to rest, to stretch, to grow and learn and strive to be the best YOU! Enjoy your summer!

Best Wishes,
Mun Lee Han, NCTM
TMTF Co-President

Check out our new and improved website!

www.tmtf.org

List your teacher profile with our new webmaster
Mun Lee Han, NCTM
munleehan@gmail.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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Master's
Independent
Piano
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Theory
Church Music

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

If there are any more reimbursement requests for 2018/2019 pretty please send them in before July 1st!

Thank you,

**Crystal Villanova
TMTF Treasurer**

2019 EASTERN DISTRICT RESULTS

	Student	Teacher
Level IA		
1st Place	John Sunstone	Alisa Bohon
Alternate	Lauren Kang	Alisa Bohon
2nd Place	Bradley Song	Galina Epelman
3rd Place	Wrenyi Jiang-Umstattd	Galina Epelman
H. M.	Scarlett Horner	Elizabeth Sjolund
Level IB		
1st Place	Lydia Li	Galina Epelman
Alternate	Hally Hallare	Jolanta Szewczyk
H. M.	Elizabeth Ying	Elizabeth Sjolund
H. M.	Hannah Ying	Elizabeth Sjolund
Level II		
1st Place	Isaac Li	Galina Epelman
Alternate	Alan Schuster	Alisa Bohon
2nd Place	Matthew Fan	Alisa Bohon
3rd Place	Maxyn Hallare	Jolanta Szewczyk
H. M.	Fiona Lin	Alisa Bohon
Level III		
1st Place	Robert Jiang	Elizabeth Sjolund
Alternate	Edric Han	Teresa Falk
2nd Place	Kevin Wang	Galina Epelman
3rd Place	Daniel Liang	Teresa Falk
H. M.	Sujay Venuganti	Alisa Bohon
H. M.	Jennifer Zhang	Jolanta Szewczyk

Congratulations to the students and teachers above and to all students who prepared and participated in Eastern District Auditions. There were 43 applicants with 43 competing. The students represented 7 teachers. Thank you to the 2019 judges: Dr. Magdalena Adamek, VCU; Dr. Michelle Huang, VCU; Dr. Keiko Sekino, ECU; and Teddy Robie, Cary, NC.

Respectfully submitted,
Alisa Bohon, Eastern District Chair

**PRACTICE & PERFORM
WITH TMTF FRIENDS!**

**SEND COMPOSITION TITLE
AND TIME LENGTH
TO
DR. BETTY BLASCH
AT
bobreb10@gmail.com**

*Many thanks to
Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church
for the use of their sanctuary
for today's concert!*

**Tidewater Music Teachers Forum
Recital**



Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Norfolk, Virginia
September 1, 2019
2:30 p.m.

**TIDEWATER MUSIC TEACHER'S FORUM
4/24/19 to 5/20/19**

ASSETS	
Savings Account	\$3,003.45
Checking Account	\$15,592.97
TOTAL	\$18,596.42

SAVINGS ACCOUNT	
Opening Balance	\$3,003.38
Interest for April	\$0.07
CLOSING BALANCE	\$3,003.45

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Opening Balance	\$23,847.49
NCMTA Donations	\$180.00
Staffline Ads	\$20.00
Honors Auditions	\$900.00
Masterclass	\$12.00
Play-a-thon	\$375.25
Yearbook Ads	\$150.00
Ex Theory Test	-\$8.30
Ex. Honors Auditions	-\$79.18
Ex. Executive Board	-\$116.14
Ex. Scholarship	-\$8,691.00
Ex. Programs	-\$192.15
Ex. Rental of Facilities	-\$775.00
Ex. David Carr Glover	-\$30.00
CLOSING BALANCE	\$15,592.97

**SUMMER IS COMING
THE PERFECT TIME TO WORK ON YOUR
MTNA CERTIFICATION**

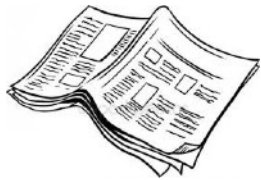
As your new Certification Chair, I stand ready and willing to mentor anyone who wants to start the process. Lynn Kleisler is also willing to be a mentor, or you can choose any other TMTF certified member to be your mentor.

Wondering about the cost of certification? VMTA and TMTF are offering a \$100 reimbursement each (total \$200) to offset the cost of certification.

Let's meet once during the summer to check in with each other and provide some accountability. If you have indicated interest and are on my list, I'll be sending you an email about the upcoming meeting.

In the meantime, let me know if you have questions about the process or want to be on my contact list.

Susan Atkins, NCTM
Certification Chair
757-282-8220 - cell
MTNACertification.org



NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR - COULD IT BE YOU?

This is my sixth year as Stafflines editor, and I've enjoyed it tremendously. In fact, the time has gone by so fast, I was surprised to find it has been six years since I started.

But, change is good, and it's time for me to move on to something new.

Are you thinking of doing a volunteer job, giving back, getting more involved in TMTF? This could be the job for you!

If you are interested, please contact:

Mun Lee Han, NCTM
munleehan@gmail.com
 (757) 214-5439 (cell)

I will also be glad to answer your questions.
 Susan Atkins, NCTM
 757-282-8220 (cell)
pianolearningcenter@gmail.com

2019 HONORS RECITALS AUDITIONS & 53rd ANNUAL TMTF HONORS RECITALS

The 2019 TMTF Honors Recitals Auditions took place on Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th, at the Marsh School of Music. There were 75 students registered from 12 teachers. From the 67 students who played in the auditions, 45 students were selected to play in the Honors Recitals. The TMTF Honors Recitals were held on Sunday, May 19th, in Chandler Hall at Old Dominion University.

Many thanks to all the teachers who worked and helped to make the audition days and recitals successful and enjoyable. The halls were continually filled with beautiful music!! We especially wish to thank the judges who had the difficult task of listening and judging among so many excellent performers.

Submitted by
 Myrenna A. Kickasola, NCTM
 2019 Honors Recitals Auditions Chair

Josephine A Jones, NCTM
 2019 Honors Recitals Chair

Need Students? Want to refer students?

Look no further than the TMTF website: www.tmtf.org

You can submit your contact information and teacher profile
to our webmaster:

Mun Lee Han
munleehan@gmail.com

If you need to refer a student, simply give them the website
address: www.tmtf.org - it's that easy!

LOCAL EVENTS

VCC Auditions

Do you know a child who loves to sing? The Virginia Children's Chorus will hold auditions for new students for the 2019-2020 season on June 3, 4, & 8 and August 17, 19 & 20, 2019. Auditions will be at Talbot Park Baptist Church, 6919 Granby St., Norfolk. Audition timeslots are scheduled in advance through our Chorus Manager. We welcome boys and girls entering grades 1 to 12 – from young beginners to serious high school singers. We have a choice of Norfolk or Virginia Beach rehearsal sites for singers in the two younger choirs (approx. grades 1 to 7). Group try-outs are available for children entering grades 1 through 3. All students receive excellent voice training and perform in concert while making new friends and having fun! To learn more about how the Virginia Children's Chorus can help your child discover the joys of singing, call (757) 440-9100 or e-mail us at vccmgr@verizon.net. For more details, go to www.vachildrenschorus.org.

Saturday, June 29, 2019, 7 pm

TCG: Close Encounters Kossler Duo Fundraising Concert
Tidewater Classical Guitar presents a night of intimate music, and a chance to socialize with the artists and friends over hors d'oeuvres and drinks after the performance. The concert features the duo of brothers Adam and John Kossler. Watch them perform this fugue by Bach on two guitars and you will know why we are so thrilled to have them perform! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wFPVYktR06U> Tickets: \$65. Limited seating. <https://tidewaterclassicalguitar.org/close-encounters-fundraiser-concert>. All proceeds from this concert will go towards ensuring that TCG maintain our outstanding quality of programming and continue to grow our Youth Education Program. The home of Mack and Carol Simons, 167 Pinewood Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23451.

Thursday, June 20, 2019, 8 pm

VWU: 3rd Thursday Summer Sing

Virginia Wesleyan's 3rd Thursday Summer Sing returns with community partner Christ & St. Luke's Episcopal Church, when Kevin Kwan conducts John Rutter's "Requiem" and several of his most popular choral anthems, with organist Brad Norris. All singers are welcome! Registration begins at 6:30 pm with a run-through & touch-up at 7:00 pm, then the 'performance' follows at 8pm (the community is welcome to listen!). Participation fee: \$10. Music is provided. Make sure we have music for YOU by emailing sbilly@vwu.edu with name & voice part. Sponsored by VWU's Center for Sacred Music. Christ & St. Luke's, 560 W. Olney Road, Norfolk



June

7 Susan Ha
 7 Meghan Hutton
 15 Kimberly Smith
 21 Sharon Banks
 29 Dyanna Hornbaker
 29 Emily Scott

July

1 Robert Blasch
 2 Lynn Kleisler
 6 Vivian Young
 9 Wanda Hall
 11 Amy Jones
 16 Donna Halleck
 16 Kristi Harriman
 18 Sally Copeland
 23 Adam Clifford
 26 Michelle Whitney

August

9 Tracey Williamson
 10 Margaret Sisco
 14 Jacqueline Spady
 14 Crystal Villanova
 17 Cecelia Robertson
 19 Michelle Guerrier
 20 Daniel Miller
 27 Loretta Beatty
 27 Witold Turkiewicz
 30 Sharron Whealton
 31 Susan Atkins
 31 Marilyn Forman

Thursday, August 15, 2019, 8 pm

VWU: 3rd Thursday Summer Sing

Virginia Wesleyan's 3rd Thursday Summer Sing

continues with community partner Ohel Sholom Temple, when Charles Woodward conducts Mendelssohn's "Elijah" with Stephen Cook, pianist. This was such a hit last summer, it's 'back by popular demand.' Registration begins at 6:30 pm with a run-through & touch-up at 7:00 pm, then the 'performance' follows at 8 pm (the community is welcome to listen!). Participation fee: \$10. Music is provided. Make sure we have music for YOU by emailing sbilly@vwu.edu with name & voice part. Sponsored by VWU's Center for Sacred Music. Ohel Sholom Temple, 530 Raleigh Avenue, Norfolk

Local Events Continued**Wednesday, June 5, 2019, 1 pm****Cheryl Van Ornam, Organ**

The closing concert of the eighth season's Trinity Organ Series will feature Cheryl Van Ornam, Traditional Music Director at Redeemer Lutheran Church and Organist at First Church of Christ Scientist, Richmond. She will perform selections by Mendelssohn, Bach, Couperin, and more. Cheryl also serves as adjunct faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University and is active with the American Guild of Organists in Chicago, Boston, and the Richmond, Virginia Chapter. A reception will follow this FREE concert. For more information, please call (757) 229-3631 or visit www.bedeva.org/concerts. Saint Bede Catholic Church, 3686 Ironbound Road, Williamsburg.

Friday, July 7, 2019, 7 pm**16th Annual An Evening with Chrystal E**

Chrystal E. Williams, mezzo-soprano; Oksana Lutsyshyn, piano. Works will include those by Schumann, Britten, classics and spirituals. GSA Blackbox Theatre, 254 Granby Street, Norfolk 23510

Friday, June 7, 2019, 7 pm**VWU: Goode Jazz**

The Watts Gallery in the Susan S. Goode Center for the Fine & Performing Arts is the new home of GOODE JAZZ. On this evening, VWU professor Jason Squinobal, saxophone, is joined by Will McPeters (bass) and Dennis Northerner (percussion) in a FREE informal evening of jazz standards and new works. Enjoy a casual evening in the glass-enclosed gallery, as the sun sets over the VWU 'front lawn.' Grab a beer, find a table, and enjoy music & conversation with your friends. Light refreshments provided; cash bar. Doors open: 6:45 pm; music from 7:00-8:30 pm. Free; no reservations required. The guard at the campus entrance will direct you to Goode Center parking which is beside the building. Susan S. Goode Center for the Fine & Performing Arts, 1584 Wesleyan Drive, Va Beach

YEARBOOK ADS

It is time to start thinking about yearbook ads and we are hoping to expand the "Our Community" ads pages this year. They include ads from members or member affiliated businesses that we can share with each other and support. Many of our members have or have family members that engage in other side businesses or are a self employed business owner. We all help support other small businesses on a daily/ weekly basis. This would be a great vehicle to let others know in our community about the business or service so that we can help support it and spread the word! Examples are real estate agent, jewelry making, landscaping, substitute organist or pianist, tutor, consignment shops, personal services, legal services, hair dresser, dentist, website designer, home goods, insurance agent, health products, etc., etc.!!! This is only a small list of what is out there. A business card ad is only \$30 and is an inexpensive way to advertise.

Our complete yearbook ad prices are as follows:

1/8 page	\$30.00 (business card size)
1/4 page	\$60.00
1/2 page	\$90.00
Full page	\$150.00
Inside cover page	\$175.00
Back Cover	\$200.00

Our ads are what help us defray the cost of the printing of the yearbook as well as the activity book. Also, if you know of any other school, college, music organization, business or group that might be interested in advertising in our yearbook, please let me know. The deadline for ads is July 15th. I can be reached at (757) 925-0248 or lynnkleisler@yahoo.com.

Please help to make our "Community Ads" page a success!

Lynn Kleisler, NCTM
Yearbook Ads Chairman

2019 Summer Classes
at NancSpiration™ Studios
Whitfield Music LLC | 920 Ventures Way, Suite 1, Chesapeake, VA 23320 | 757-620-2475

<p>Boom, Shake, Jingle! Fun with boom-whackers and rhythm! Each session runs 5 days Session I - June 17 - 21 Session II - August 12 - 16 9 - 11 a.m. Ages 5-11</p>	<p>NancSpiration™ Young Voices Choir Choral singing in a variety of genres. Students learn about healthy vocal technique, musicianship, melodies & harmonies, etc. Every Monday & Wednesday in July 1 - 2:30 p.m. Ages 9-15</p>	<p>Show Tunes for Teens Broaden your repertoire and learn authentic vocal stylisms and techniques for various show tune genres! Part I - July 15 - 19 Part II - July 22 - 26 9 - 11 a.m. Ages 13-19</p>
<p>Beginning Recorder Learn to play beginner songs on the recorder and a little music history! July 8 - 12 9 - 11 a.m. Ages 8-14</p>	<p>Participation agreement required. Space is limited. See details and pricing at: www.whitfieldmusic.com/events <i>Ask about our referral and sibling discounts!</i></p>	<p>Introduction to Music Composition Demystify the process of writing music! July 29 - August 2 9 - 11 a.m. Ages 10-15</p>

Email Nancy at nancy@whitfieldmusic.com for more information!

GLOVER SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS

The Glover Scholarship Auditions were held April 6th, 2019 at Monumental United Methodist Church in Portsmouth. We had twelve teachers enter students this year. Fifty six students were registered and fifty auditioned. Twenty six students won a monetary award within grades 5 through 8. These awards included a first place (\$400), second place (\$350), third place (\$300) and honorable mention (\$250) award in each grade. Each grade had more than one honorable mention award winner. Teachers who had student winners include Susan Atkins, Joan Edwards, Susan Grice, Mun Lee Han, Myrenna Kickasola, Lynn Kleisler, Mary Ann Medlin, Josephine Jones, Elizabeth Smith, Kimberly Smith and Mary Lee Taylor.

Due to donations given to this scholarship event in honor of Joan Moore, an additional scholarship award was also given. This award was voted on last year to be given yearly to a deserving eighth grader that auditioned in this event. Joan Moore was one of the first to be on the Glover Scholarship Auditions Committee and was a friend of David Carr Glover as well as worked for him during her music career. The second Joan Moore Memorial Scholarship award was given to a student of Susan Atkins.

Chairmen and Committee
 Lynn Kleisler, Joan Edwards & Donna Halleck

It's MTNA Renewal Time!

You may have already received reminders to renew your membership via email or snail mail.

Don't wait, don't procrastinate - Do it today!

Tip #1: Check your renewal form carefully and update anything that has changed in the last year. Now is the time to remove your email address from the form if you don't check your email regularly. This helps us to know the best way to contact you.

Tip #2: Renew by June 1 to guarantee your inclusion in the 2019-2020 TMTF Yearbook and the VMTA Yearbook.

For ease in joining, you may go to <http://www.mtna.org/membership-information/> and renew online.

Membership with MTNA does more than simply complement your career as a music professional—it supports, supplements and shapes it. It empowers music teachers nationwide to become better educators through networking, leadership, mentoring and educational opportunities.

MTNA Membership Delivers:

- Peer Connections—a network of outlets, forums and channels for like-minded individuals in the music profession to collaborate and communicate, both locally and nationally
- Ongoing Education—conferences, events and advice on teaching tips and pedagogy, technology and web trends, master classes and informational sessions
- Invaluable Resources—access to countless benefits, from Certification, publications and consultation services to competitions, teacher enrichment grants and insurance

Questions about membership?

Donna Halleck, Membership Chair
757-482-5429
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Invite a teacher friend to join!

For more benefits of membership, visit: www.mtna.org or: www.tmtf.org

Thank you for your support!

GLEN MAYBERRY AWARD RESULTS

The Glen Mayberry Scholarship Auditions were held on May 4, 2019 at Christopher Newport University. The judges were Teddy Robie of North Carolina, and Ming Huang from VCU. The winner of the Music Minor Award was Angelina Rodriguez, student of Elizabeth Sjolund.

The winner of the Music Major Award was Madeline Blevins, student of Susan Grice.

Congratulations to the winners, their families, and their teachers. We wish these students much success.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth M. Sjolund
Scholarship Chairman

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Join the groups:
Music Teachers National
Association

Virginia Music Teachers
Association

Tidewater Music Teachers Forum

Post photos, announce your
events, make connections

Stafflines Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles for *Stafflines* is the 21st of each month. The editor must receive the articles no later than this date.

Please submit all articles via email to:

Susan Atkins

pianolearningcenter@gmail.com

Alternatively, you may submit a printed article via U.S. Postal Service.

Stafflines Advertising Rates

The following advertising rates are for *Stafflines* news that is not related directly to TMTF activities.

Two to three line announcement such as a recital or job opening	No Fee
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One half page (8.5" x 5.5")	\$10.00
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Full page (8.5" x 11")	\$20.00
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Make check payable to TMTF and send along with your ad to:

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June 2019

TMTF is the 2008 MTNA Local Association of the Year