

Southern Tier
Music Teachers' Association

Our Mission Statement...

Our goal is to encourage music student and teachers in our area to participate in the musical life of our community. We provide a variety of performance and learning opportunities each year. These include: solo and chamber music recitals, a music competition, and summer music scholarships.

The Southern Tier Music Teachers' Association was formed in 1995 as a **tax-deductible**, charitable organization. It was created as a community of private music teachers residing in the Binghamton area that wanted to provide organizational support, education and performance opportunities for their music students.

Any music teacher (public or private) is welcome to join the group. The amount of involvement is up to the teacher.

There are two informational meetings throughout the school year. All other information is conveyed through email, on our facebook page or on our website: STMTA.org.

STMTA activities enhance and augment those musical experiences available through private and school music programs.

The Annual STMTA High School and middle School Competition provides a soloistic venue for more advanced students. The students compete on one day, and the next day holds the Winner's Recital. During this recital, soloists are chosen to perform at a later date with the Binghamton Community Orchestra. Any student may apply – special rates apply to students of STMTA teachers.

**New in 2016: Elementary Piano Category!

Formal recitals are held at Binghamton University. These recitals augment private studio recitals.

Informal recitals are held at Oakdale Mall. This additional venue can also augment the teachers' regular recitals.

STMTA
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

First Name: _____
Last Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Cell Phone: _____
E-Mail: _____
Instrument(s): _____

How often do you log on to check for messages? _____

Signature: _____
Date: _____

Would you like any of the above information omitted from the directory on the website? _____

**Membership Dues: \$25 per school year
(Checks payable to STMTA)**

Donation to Summer Scholarship Fund? _____
Donation to Competition Costs? _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Please return this form with your payment to:
STMTA/Katrina Kemmery
14 Boland Rd. Apalachin, NY 13732

What do I get with my membership?

- **NETWORKING!** Meet both public and private teachers in our area. Compare challenges, solutions, and learn from experience! Put a face to the name! Connect your students...and yourself! Find a duet partner! Learn about other musical activities in the area!
- **PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES!** We offer venues for both you and your student – sometimes together! – to perform in low-stress, supportive environments to prepare for NYSSMA, college auditions, or even their first public performance.
- **MOTIVATION!** Recitals, competitions, practice-a-thons, and scholarships all motivate students to perform (and practice!) their very best. These are already planned out for you! Easy!
- **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES!** All of STMTA'S activities are optional. Find something that works for your student/studio. No pressure!
- **ENHANCING THE MUSICAL LIVES OF OUR STUDENTS!** Offer unique opportunities for those who truly put in the hard work!

Like us on facebook! Meetings, upcoming events, competition results, and more will be available in real time!

FUNDRAISERS

The Annual Dessert Musicale is our main fundraiser. This occurs in the spring of each year, and offers an opportunity for students and teachers to perform – either together, or separately – to make up an exciting program geared towards showing off the talent of our area. This also features a silent auction, and the best desserts in the area!

The Bi-Annual Practice-A-Thon offers a unique fundraising opportunity! Students sign up, and friends and family pledge a certain amount of money for a certain goal of practice time. The money earned will be split between STMTA's Summer Scholarship Fund and the participating student to be put towards their studio accounts for future lessons.

Donations are always accepted! We also offer local studios or businesses the opportunity to advertise in our Dessert Musicale Program at a nominal fee.

Think about joining this worthwhile organization!

If you need to contact us for any reason, please contact this year's President:

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