

Letter from the President

Don't think about Summer yet!

As our school year draws to an end, most of you are probably counting down the weeks until summer. I don't know about you, but my summer schedule is much more relaxed, from 6 teaching days a week to 3. We also are not preparing our students for as many things, no recitals or exams. It is a time for me to relax and plan for the next school year. But, before we get into that relaxed mindset, we must get through May first! There are still lots of opportunities for you and your students left of the school year.

For teachers

If you need time to talk to your fellow teachers, come to our last Member Meeting on May 9th at 10:00 AM, featuring Dr. Gabriel Quenneville-Belair on the topic of "Russian Piano Music – a Pedagogical Approach." Join us for the last book club of the year on May 16th at Caffe Latte at 10:00 AM. There will be discussion on 3 articles from the April/May issue of the American Music Teacher. Our topics will be "The Well-Crafted Question," "Preparing Students for Adjudication," "Theodore Presser Before the Etude," and a topic apart from the magazine, "Music and Yoga."

For students

There is still time to register for the Honors Recital. If your student has performed in an SPPTA recital this year and has received an Honorable performance than they are eligible to perform in the Honors Recital. The recital is on Sunday June 4th at St. Kate's Recital Hall.

Sarah Mensen President, SPPTA Sarah Mensen



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Exciting news! Our May 9th meeting will be held at Cadenza Music in Saint Paul at 149 Snelling Ave. N. It's located a few blocks south of 94 across the street from the new Whole Foods Store, Starbucks Coffee and O' Gara's Restaurant.

Cadenza Music Store has offered to order in any titles that we'd like them to have on hand by May 9th. They want to regularly stock the items we need. They have Faber, Alfred, the MMTA collection, and a range of solo/four hand/etc. They'd love to hear about our SPPTA members need.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the May 9th SPPTA meeting. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am. Please be aware that there is additional parking in the back of the store.

Cadenza is putting together some fun swag, with the help of Hal Leonard and Alfred!



Cadenza is preparing Studio 20, to welcome the Saint Paul Piano Teachers for their monthly meeting on May 9! They've unpacked the chairs, and can't wait!

Calendar of Events MAY/SUMMER

Monthly Programs

10:00 Social Time 10:20 General Meeting & Guest Speaker 10:30Presentation 11:50 Board Meeting

May 9, 2017

"Russian Piano Music – a Pedagogical Approach" Presented by Dr. Gabriel Quenneville-Belair **NEW LOCATION: Cadenza Music Store** 149 Snelling Ave.,N, Saint Paul, MN 55104

Book Club – 10:00 am Cafe Latte, Saint Paul 3rd Tuesday of the Month

May 16

Upcoming Recitals

Date: Sunday, May 7; Deadline: Saturday, Apr. 22 Time: 2:00pm-5:00pm; Programmer: Elsa Hosch

Honors Recital at St. Catherine's University Date: Sunday, June 4; Deadline: Friday, May 20 Time: 2:00-7:00pm; Programmer: Elsa Hosch

Salon Se Lève

May 21st, 2:30 PM: Benefit Concert TBA

"Chamber Chamboree and Alumni Extraordinaire!" Come and hear our wonderful emerging young artists AND (a new tradition!) our AMAZING ALUMNI!... play some of the world's greatest solo and chamber music, filling the HAUMC Art Gallery with a resonance to be remembered and our hearts with joy! This event is ticketed, and ensures our Salon se Lève series the financial security it needs! Please come and support Salon se Lève, now in its 15th season! This will be an exciting event!!

http://www.wirthcenter.org/salon.html

Membership Directory Updates

WELCOME to these new or reinstating members of SPPTA! Please update your directory with their contact information, as needed.

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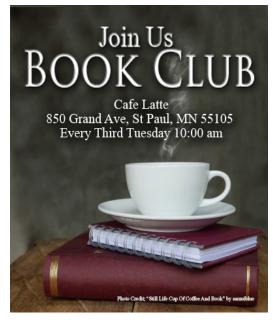
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Come join our lively book club on May 16th at Cafe Latte. You all have the "book" -- We will be discussing 3 articles from the April/May issue of the American Music Teacher. Our topics will be "The Well-Crafted Question," "Preparing Students for Adjudication," "Theodore Presser Before the Etude," and a topic apart from the magazine, "Music and Yoga." We meet at 10:00 am.

SPPTA Recital April 9th, 2017 Schmitt Music in Brooklyn Center, MN







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