

BAMTA Beat - April 2024

Letter from the President for April 2024

“Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush.”

Doug Larson

Dear Colleagues,

As we tumble joyfully toward our end-of-year studio celebrations, here’s what you need to know about our APRIL meeting and the remainder of this 2023-24 year:

- 1) The program originally scheduled for March will instead be presented in April. Click [“here”](#) to view a brief description of what I’ll be talking about. The general meeting will begin at 9:00 am. **My Template for Teaching Music History to Pre-College Students** will be presented at 10:00 am in my studio at 2502 Blue Heron Circle right after our April meeting and **will NOT be available on Zoom.**
- 2) The program originally scheduled for April will be presented at a later date.
- 3) I’m thrilled to announce that Marianna Caron has graciously accepted the position of NEWSLETTER EDITOR FOR 2024-25! Now all we need is someone to step up and agree to chair the MPF Steering Committee for 2024. PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

Here’s the line-up of your new BAMTA Board for 2024-25. We’ll vote on this slate of officers in May.

PRESIDENT – Shari Griswold

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT – Carol Wickham-Revier

SECRETARY – Stella Pradeau

TREASURER – Jill Ice

VP of STUDENT ACTIVITIES – Amy Watt

VP of OUTREACH – Amy Watt

VP of TEACHER ENRICHMENT (i.e. Program Chair) – Anne Laird

VP of MEMBERSHIP – Melanie Lawrence

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE – Mitzi Babb and Sonya Toutenhoofed

MPF Steering Committee Chairperson - ?

GRUSIN HALL NAMESAKE: I realize that I may be the last former graduate of the Univ. of Colo. College of Music to view the documentary about Grusin Hall’s namesake, Dave Grusin. Anyway, if you haven’t seen it yet and are curious about the person behind “our” auditorium, check out DAVE GRUSIN: NOT ENOUGH TIME, an elegant and uplifting Feature Length Documentary about one of the 20th Century's most important music composers, available

on PBS. Barbara Bantree (another former U. of C. College of Music graduate) produced and directed this amazing film with John Rangel. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!!

Hope to see you on Friday, April 19 in my Lafayette piano studio!

Warmly,
Carol Wickham-Revier, NCTM
BAMTA President 2022-24

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR AWARD

It is time to nominate your high school seniors for this BAMTA award. The award includes a \$200 stipend, and a framed award certificate. To apply, the teacher must submit a letter of recommendation, and the student must submit a resume of their musical activities, experiences, honors, performance opportunities, and any other things musical.

The deadline is Friday, April 19, 2024. Email the teacher's recommendation and the student resume to Richard Capp, cappri@gmail.com. If you choose to send via USPS, send Richard an email saying you have mailed the documents.

BAMTA Scholarships

BAMTA is pleased to announce that scholarship funds will be available to students this year. The scholarship application can be downloaded from the bamta.org website. Applications consist of a financial statement submitted by the student's parents (available under *For Students and Parents*), a computer file, CD or DVD of the student performing 3 solo repertoire pieces, and a letter of recommendation from the teacher (available under *For Teachers*). More information can be found on the website.

BAMTA Scholarship Committee Volunteers Needed:

Volunteers are needed to serve on the BAMTA Scholarship Committee. Our work will be done during the month of June. I would again like to make this an online committee. Members of this committee cannot have a student applying for a scholarship. Please contact Mitzi Babb (mitzi@thebabbs.com) if you would like to serve on this committee.

Spring Recital Rental Space Available

BAMTA Teachers,

Reminder - The BAMTA piano (Yamaha grand) that is housed at Harvest Church in Gunbarrel - 7493 Old Mill Trail, Boulder, CO 80301 (Corner of 75th and Old Mill Trail) can be rented for your winter/spring recital.

Harvest Church has raised the rental fee that teachers pay to them by \$5.00. The fees for a 3-hour block of time are:

- The fee is \$65 for a 3-hour block of time.
 - \$35 is payable through a check written to BAMTA.
 - \$30 is payable to Harvest Church. Mitzi Babb will inform you where to send the checks.
 - If the checks are not received within one week of booking, Mitzi may open the block of time to other teachers.
- A separate check for \$25 is required to Harvest Church as a damage/clean-up deposit. Mitzi will shred the deposit check if no complaints are received concerning the clean-up. If you wish this check to be returned to you, send Mitzi a self-addressed stamped envelope.

There is a fellowship hall and kitchen that can be used for receptions if desired, however, this area is not available on Saturdays until 4:30. Receptions may also be held in the hallway outside of the sanctuary. Several long tables are in the hallway that can be used for food and beverage service.

Please consider using this lovely and affordable space for your next recital, as your rental costs go toward the maintenance of the piano and the continuation of the relationship with Harvest Church.

Rental directions, fees, etc. are located on the BAMTA website – For Teachers/Student Recitals.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Mitzi Babb

mitzi@thebabbs.com

 Ready, Set, Explore! Sounds of Nature Registration Open! 

Hello all,

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for year three of our summer music camp "Ready, Set, Explore!" Our program gives elementary-aged children the opportunity to collaborate with other young musicians and encourages a love and interest for music. Students both with or without piano experience are welcome, and camp groups are customized for the students enrolled.

This year's theme is the relationship between music and nature, and students will be exploring musical works inspired by nature, through listening, games and performance!

Two weeks are available to choose from:

June 17-21

June 24-28

[Here's a link to the registration form and information!](#)

Also attached is a flyer with the information about the camp with a QR code linking you to all the informational materials, including a schedule and the registration form.

We are excited to see your child at this summer's music camp!

Abby Terrill and Lizzie French, coordinators



MTNA discounts not to be missed

I saw these discounts in the MTNA newsletter and thought it was worth sharing them again in our newsletter. ~Shari Griswold, newsletter editor

MTNA members can save every day on music purchases for their studio by taking advantage of these members-only discounts:

15% off [MusicNotes](#) code **MTNA15**

20% off [SheetMusicNow](#) code **4MTNA20**

For Important information, please see links below.

BAMTA website:

www.BAMTA.org

BAMTA Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Boulder-Area-Music-Teachers-Association-193704743992202>

Multiple Piano Festival:

<https://bamta.org/teachers/multiple-piano-festival//>

Achievement Day:

<https://bamta.org/achievement-day/>

Student Recitals church rental:

<https://bamta.org/students/student-recitals/>

Monthly Meetings:

<https://bamta.org/monthly-meetings/>

Member Pages:

<https://bamta.org/teachers/edit-profile/>

BAMTA BEAT Archive:

<https://bamta.org/BAMTA-Beat-Newsletter-Archive/>