

BAMTA BEAT

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President's Letter

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BAMTA members,

Members that attended the January meeting were treated to a delightful presentation by Cobus duToit on collaborative piano. This month we look forward to gaining some knowledge on how to work with students that might have a different learning style/attention span. I hope you can join us - please see the details, below.

February meeting - February 20, Harvest Church (75th and Old Mill Trail in Gunbarrel)

- 10:00 General Membership meeting - All are invited
- 11:00 Program - Jacque Simpson (see bio, below), *Teaching students with autism/Asberger's syndrome*

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Jacque Simpson comes to us as a retired elementary teacher of 20 years from Jefferson County Public schools. Her experiences include teaching art to physically and cognitively challenged students, k-6 elementary art, looping in the typical classroom between first and second grade, as well as some inner city teaching in Denver Public Schools. Jacque was the designated inclusion and special needs teacher for first and second grade at Sheridan Green where she dealt with students with a variety of physical and cognitive needs including Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD-ADD), Autism, and Asperger's.

Since retirement Jacque has been kept busy substitute teaching at Fletcher Miller Special School for the physically and cognitively challenged, working as a Frontier Airlines SCOUT servicing special needs clientele, dabbling in art projects and remodeling, traveling with husband Mike, and enjoying her grand babies. Jacque will address us on the topic of the Autism Spectrum. What is it? And some possible ways to work with it.

Website - During the next couple of weeks, we will be "cleaning up" the membership/Find a Teacher section of the website. This means that if you have not renewed your MTNA and BAMTA membership for 2012-2013, your name will be removed. If you have any questions about your membership status, please feel free to contact me (mitzi@thebabbs.com).

Dennis Alexander workshop, Saturday, March 16 CU Imig Music Bldg, C199 - Don't miss this great opportunity to hear composer and clinician, Dennis Alexander:

- Teaching the Romantics to Young Pianists 9AM - 11AM
- Composing and Publishing Pedagogical Repertoire 1PM - 2PM
- Intermediate Student Master Class 2:30PM - 4 PM

This event is free and open to the public and is co-sponsored by BAMTA.

BAMTA Spring Recital - Heidi Lenzer-Camilli has volunteered to coordinate/host the spring recital on Sunday afternoon, April 21. Any BAMTA member may have students participate in this recital. More information will be available in the March and/or April newsletter. Contact Heidi (drheidicamilli@aol.com) if you have any questions.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - BAMTA needs you!

Nominating Committee Volunteers - Two or three volunteers are needed to form a nominating committee to select officers for the 2013-2014 year. If you could serve in this capacity, contact Mitzi (mitzi@thebabbs.com).

CSMTA Conference Poster - One, or two, individuals needed to prepare the BAMTA poster for CSMTA. A science display board works well as it is free-standing. Include pictures and recital programs from student and teacher activities and any other information regarding unique aspects of BAMTA. This poster will be displayed alongside other MTA posters at the State Conference. Contact Mitzi (mitzi@thebabbs.com) to volunteer.

MPF Chair(s) 2013 - One or two individuals are needed to chair the Multiple Piano Festival for 2013. Carol Wickham-Revier has offered to answer questions and give advice to anyone that takes on this job. Contact Mitzi (mitzi@thebabbs.com) or Carol (CSWickhamRevier@yahoo.com) if you are interested in this position.

Scholarship Committee - Volunteers needed to serve on the 2013 scholarship committee. The time commitment is 2 - 3 hours in June. Please let Mitzi Babb know (mitzi@thebabbs.com) if you are interested.

I look forward to seeing you at 10 AM on Wednesday, February 20th.

Mitzi Babb

PIANOS ALIVE!

Come and hear the pianists of First Presbyterian Church perform a five-piano concert on Friday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. The church is at 1820 15th Street, Boulder. Music by Bach, Rimsky-Koraskov, Bizet, Stravinsky, and Copland will be presented. Performers include Mitzi Babb, Devon Howard, Laura Smith, Paul Jarvis, Pat Holmberg, and others. Special guest Brett Wallace, cello, will perform Saint-Saens "The Swan", accompanied by duo-pianists Richard Capp and Ryan Capp. There will also be an encore performance of "Exodus" by students from Multiple Piano Festival.

Everyone -teachers, students, family, friends- is welcome. The concert is free. Donations will go to the piano fund for the new Schimmel 7' grand in the First Presbyterian Chapel. [Richard Capp](#)

ACHIEVEMENT DAY UPDATE

At our Achievement Day on May 11th, we will be using the newly revised Ear Training test. CSMTA is almost done revising the Ear Training test and is planning to reveal it at the conference in June. But, prior to that announcement, they are letting our association use those materials. The practice test will be available soon. I will post the practice tests guidelines on BAMTA website as soon as I receive them from CSMTA. I'm expecting that will happen in a week or two. If you have any questions about Achievement Day, please let me know. [Harumi Tabler, Achievement Day 2013 chair : etude42day@hotmail.com](mailto:etude42day@hotmail.com)

NEED MUSIC?

Hi BAMTA Friends!

I am coming up for our upcoming meeting Feb. 20th. I am more than happy to bring up any music that you need. Please let Aaron know by Saturday, Feb. 16th what you need so we can get it together for you. Aaron's email is aarons@rockleymusic.com. Phone is 303-233-4444!

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

Liane Rockley

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SPRING BAMTA STUDENT RECITAL

Our Spring BAMTA Student Recital will be on Sunday, April 21st, 2:30-3:30pm. Your student's name, age, title of piece(s) and composer(s) is due to Heidi Lenzer-Camilli on Friday, April 12 . DrHeidiCamilli@AOL.com or 900 Dellwood Ave. Boulder, 80304. Snacks should be very neat! Finger style. Fruits and vegetables always welcome. Heidi will bring the drinks. 303-601-0443. **Dr. Heidi Lenzer-Camilli**

KLASSICAL KEYBOARDS

The 2 piano group, Klassical Keyboards, will present a Recital at Boulder Piano Gallery on March 17th at 3:00pm. Open to the Public Donations (which will go to Paul for his time and gracious sharing of the Boulder Piano Gallery) appreciated! For more info contact Heidi Lenzer-Camilli at DrHeidiCamilli@AOL.com or 303-601-0443. **Dr. Heidi Lenzer-Camilli**