

BAMTA BEAT

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President's Letter

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My goodness, are we *ever* a diverse group!

Quite by accident, an email was sent out to ALL of you asking for feedback about the look of our new website. While I had intended to gather just a few comments from a few board members, instead, I have received opinions covering the full spectrum of how our group of “independent contractors” wants to present itself. Comments all the way from “I like the fun design” to “too much like an ad for a perfume” to a directive for “the mountains in mountain colors” were received. Without really meaning to, I now have both a greater understanding of just who is likely to read and respond to messages from those of us on your BAMTA board and how gentle you are (or are not) in making yourselves heard. Anyway, THANK YOU ALL for your responses! (And I thought *I* was the only one of us “allergic” to change!) Be sure to come to the October meeting if you want your voice to be heard in this *really* challenging arena of our Website redesign!

A few more announcements:

- 1) My new computer is now connected, complete with a different “MS Office” program than I’ve ever used, so I continue to struggle with all things “tech”. I’m trying to formulate a new rule for myself which says that I’m not allowed to spend more time with my hands on the keys of a computer than I do with my hands on the keys of a piano. Not there *yet*...
- 2) Barbara Grout has agreed to provide food for the CSMTA auditions at CU on October 19. Call her (303-772-4731) if you’d be willing to help her.
- 3) Joan Sawyer, my good friend from grad school and CSMTA’s president-elect will be attending our next meeting. She’s fabulous! Come to the meeting if for no other reason than just to get to know Joan better!

4) Lois Abbuhl has completed the new BAMTA directories for the 2013-14 year. If you don't receive your copy in the mail before the meeting, you should come to the meeting to pick one up. And if your name isn't in there, it's because you hadn't paid your dues when she typed up the list. We will, however, print an addendum in a couple of months.

5) Please remember that THERE IS NO BAMTA MEETING IN NOVEMBER, so unless you're involved in Multiple Piano Festival, October 16 may be your last time to see us for a while UNLESS...

6) You want to come to my annual BAMTA Martinis-and-Pumpkin-Carving Party on Saturday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m. I'll provide a dozen or so pumpkins, a couple of hors d'oeuvres and my favorite beverages. Let me know if you'll come and what you'd like to bring. If you're not there, we'll be sure to talk about you behind your back.

7) I attended the CSMTA board meeting Saturday, September 28th, at CU and was really impressed with the efficiency of that group. Please note that if you'd like to be a presenter at next year's state conference in early June, November 3 is the deadline to submit your program. Alejandro Cremaschi (CSMTA President), also reminded us that there is still some money in the MTNA Benevolence Fund for our members who were affected by the floods last month.

8) Please note that the times listed BAMTA's General Meeting and Program in the October "Notes and News" are INCORRECT. Our General Meeting Time is 9 AM and our Program Time is 10 AM.

9) Hope to see you at our next meeting on October 16th!

***Carol Wickham-Revier NCTM
BAMTA PRESIDENT***

BAMTA Monthly Meetings

Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at **9 AM** at **Harvest Church**.
Address: 7493 Old Mill Trail, Boulder, CO 80301 (corner 75th & Old Mill Trail,
just north of Jay Road)

DATE: Wednesday, October 16, 2013

9 AM BAMTA Membership Meeting

10 AM PROGRAM : Billy Patton will help us work through
“Music Teaching and Taxes”

DATE: **NO NOVEMBER MEETING**, due to our involvement with the
Multiple Piano Festival, to be held November 23rd.

DATE: DECEMBER: BAMTA Holiday Brunch at a date to be determined

THANK YOU Mitzi Babb for completing our “Annual BAMTA Packet”

containing all information regarding Dates & Events during this 2013 – 2014 year.
This is now posted on the BAMTA Website, www.bamta.org

THANK YOU

Dear BAMTA members,

Thank you so much for all of the love and support you gave me after my accident and surgery. You called me, sent me cards, brought over food, took me to breakfast and to physical therapy appointments. I am on the road to recovery and am back to teaching. I am honored to be in this community of teachers.

Rebecca Martin

REFRESHMENTS: a NOTE from our Refreshments Chair: Nancy Sundal

A special thank-you to Irene Jergensen and Lianne Rockley for volunteering to bring refreshments this October month. Thank you Irene and Lianne!

Grace Asquith and Nancy Sundal provided the treats for the September meeting. Thank you Grace!

A sign-up sheet will be passed around at this month's meeting. Please indicate which date would work for YOU to bring something to share.

MULTIPLE PIANO FESTIVAL

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Hello MPF teachers! This fall is going incredibly fast and MPF will be here before you know it. We are needing to fill the remaining MPF teacher jobs - let us know what jobs you would like to work (remember, all teachers need to be available to work on the audition day and will need to also perform 2 or more additional jobs). We will be in contact with you to get all this settled. MPF is always a success because of all of you!!

The teacher piece has been chosen, and you will be able to find it on the repertoire list from the BAMTA website, www.bamta.org

We're excited for another amazing concert this year - thanks for all of your efforts!
Talise Chandler & Karen Ziegler, MPF Co-Chairs

Just the facts:

Registration Deadline: Oct. 14 (ONLINE!! email talisechandler@gmail.com to get your access into Google Docs where you will enter in your registration). We're excited about this new procedure, but please ask us questions (and refer to your MPF letter emailed to you in mid-Sept.)

Registration/Audition Fees due: Oct. 14 to Karen Ziegler (check made out to BAMTA)

AUDITIONS: Sat. Nov. 9

Boulder Rehearsals: Fri. Nov. 15 & Sat. Nov. 16 (students will only attend one of those days)

Longmont Rehearsals: Fri. Nov. 22 & Sat. Nov. 23 (both days for everyone!)

CONCERT: Sat. Nov. 23, 7:00pm at Skyline High School's Vance Brand Auditorium

Audition Fee: \$10.00 per student (Adult students ALSO pay this as a "registration fee")

Tickets: \$10.00 per seat

Teacher specific information:

http://www.bamta.org/docs/2012-2013/2013_MPF_Teacher_Info_PDF.pdf

Student specific information (pass out to each student):

http://www.bamta.org/docs/2012-2013/2013_MPF_Student_and_Parent_Info_PDF.pdf

Repertoire List:

http://www.bamta.org/docs/MPF/MPF_Repertoire_2013.pdf

Practice Recordings:

<https://sites.google.com/site/bamtampfmusic/>

SPECIAL NOTE re A2 Group for Multiple Piano Festival – from Mitzi Babb:

Tempo Change: “My Irish Butterfly” Q.N. = 138

BAMTA is grateful to everyone for their hard work and focus.

