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**President's Letter**

Dear fellow teachers,

Happy new year! I hope you all enjoyed a joyful and rejuvenating holiday break doing the things you love, surrounded by special people in your life. There are good things in store for 2019! Let's make this a great year of serving our communities and delighting in the work before us.

Please join us on Wednesday, January 16 for our next BAMTA meeting at Harvest Baptist Church (7493 Old Mill Trail in Boulder). The general meeting begins at 9:00, and at 10:00 we will hear from BAMTA member Elle Tyler on the topic "Teaching Students Grit".

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

With regards,

Jill Ice  
BAMTA President

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## **BAMTA Upcoming Events**

January 16, Wednesday Membership Business Meeting. All are Welcome! We meet at the Harvest Church. (75<sup>th</sup> & Old Mill Trail - North of Jay Rd in Gunbarrel)  
9:00 am. Business Meeting. 10:00 am. Program

January 23, Wednesday Kate Smailer will begin taking requests for recitals at Harvest Baptist after 8:00 am. Details below

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### **Reservations for recitals at Harvest Baptist Church**

Kate Smailer will begin taking requests for recitals at Harvest Baptist starting Wednesday, January 23rd after 8 a.m. Call her at 303-530-4760 or email her at [ktmailer@gmail.com](mailto:ktmailer@gmail.com) with your requests. If you have questions about holding your recitals at Harvest please go to [BAMTA.org](http://BAMTA.org) and click on For Teachers tab and then click on Student Recitals.

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You are invited to Pianos Alive on Friday, February 8, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church 1820 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Boulder. Fifteen pianists will present this annual five-piano concert featuring arrangements of Gounod's exuberant "Faust Waltz," Schubert's intense "Gretchen at the Spinning Wheel," and the dramatic "Jupiter" from Holst's The Planets. Bach's Concerto for Four Keyboards and Strings will be a highlight. Toe-tappers will include "Maple Leaf Rag," a medley from "The Sound of Music," and other favorites. Richard Capp and Ryan Capp will do a recent duet version of "Rhapsody in Blue." All are welcome. The concert is free. Donations are welcome and will benefit the church's instrument maintenance fund.

Performers with BAMTA and Federated connections include Lois Abbuhl, Mitzi Babb, Richard Capp, Pat Holmberg, Susan Rudosky, Laura Smith, and Toby Tenenbaum.

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# *Order the 2018 MPF Video*

*Pay with Credit card*

Purchase the professional video of this year's concert to keep these wonderful performance memories forever and at the same time help us raise money for our scholarship fund.

After your purchase, and once the video is available (by December 12), you will receive an email from BAMTA titled "MPF Performance Video." That email will contain information about where to find the video and simple instructions on how to download it. Please pay \$25 per download and do not share the download information with others outside your household or copy the video for others outside your household unless they have paid for a copy.

To order online -  
**on your mobile phone, laptop or desktop computer:**

- 1) Go to [bamta.org](http://bamta.org).
- 2) Click on Menu (Skip step #2 if you are on a laptop or a desktop computer.)
- 3) Click on "For Students and Parents"
- 4) Click on "Multiple Piano Festival"
- 5) Click on the PayPal button and follow the directions online to complete your payment.
- 6) You will receive an email from BAMTA titled "MPF Performance Video." That email will contain information about where to find the video and instructions on how to download it. Download the video and enjoy!

To order **with a check:** contact Shari at [sharigriswold@me.com](mailto:sharigriswold@me.com)

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Harmony MusicTree teachers Lacey Wheeler and Bryan Chaun are once again accepting new students! It is extremely rare for there to be openings in the studio so we'd love to ask our BAMTA friends for any referrals for new students. HMT studio is located in downtown Boulder off of 14th and Pine. Openings are mainly on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Thank you! Please contact Lacey at 303.775.6412 or [lacymwheeler@gmail.com](mailto:lacymwheeler@gmail.com)

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## CSMTA 2019 Foundation Fellow

Dear CSMTA Members,

The Music Teachers National Association Foundation Fellow program offers a meaningful method for honoring deserving individuals while supporting the efforts of the MTNA FOUNDATION FUND through a donation to the FOUNDATION FUND in an individual's name.

Please help us recognize **Dr. Grace Asquith**, our **CSMTA 2019 Foundation Fellow!**

As you may know, MTNA raised the Foundation Fellow nomination to \$1500 this year which invites us to be proactive with our giving.

To contribute with Credit Card, click on this link:

<https://www.mtnafoundation.org/contribute/contribute-now/>

Then choose 'Fellow' after the check boxes below, and then type in 'Dr. Grace Asquith.'

Mastercard, Visa and American Express are accepted.

If you would like to contribute by check, click on this link:

[http://www.mtnafoundation.org/media/72236/FoundationContributionForm\\_2014.pdf](http://www.mtnafoundation.org/media/72236/FoundationContributionForm_2014.pdf). Print out the

pdf form Then check the 'Fellow' box at the end of the list, and fill in 'Dr. Grace Asquith.' After completing the form, mail it in with your check to the address at the bottom of the form.

Should you have any questions, please contact our MTNA Foundation Chair: Elinore Quander, NCTM: [Eequan@aol.com](mailto:Eequan@aol.com)

Best wishes,  
Dr. Zahari Metchkov

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## The Rocky Mountain Composers Music Composition Competition

Below are documents with the details and the entry form. Contact Grace Asquith if you have any questions at [askfirst@aol.com](mailto:askfirst@aol.com).

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# Upcoming Faculty Tuesdays events

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## Faculty Tuesdays: William Primrose in Song

7:30 pm

Imig Music

Renowned 20th-century violist William Primrose is recognized for his unparalleled virtuosity. Join violist Erika Eckert and pianist Margaret McDonald for an evening of music celebrating his lyricism in a number of his song transcriptions. Special guest, mezzo soprano Abigail Nims, joins for three works Primrose recorded with mezzo soprano Marian Anderson and pianist Franz Rupp in the summer of 1941.

Featuring Erika Eckert, viola; Margaret McDonald, piano; and Abigail Nims, mezzo soprano

Performance date and time: Tuesday, Jan. 15, 7:30 p.m.

Program: A number of songs transcribed by Primrose for his own recitals and Johannes Brahms' Two Songs for Alto, Viola and Piano, Op. 91

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## Faculty Tuesdays: 37 Preludes

7:30 pm

Imig Music

Pianist David Korevaar performs the 12 Préludes of Debussy's second book, a landmark of early 20th-century music, and Luigi Perrachio's 25 Preludi, a fantastic representation of this little-known composer's remarkable music.

Performance date and time: Tuesday, Jan. 22, 7:30 p.m.

Program: PROGRAM: Luigi Perrachio: 25 Preludi; Claude Debussy: Préludes, Book II

Featuring David Korevaar, piano

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## Faculty Tuesdays: Paul Erhard, double bass

7:30 pm

Imig Music

Renowned faculty artists perform with students and colleagues in chamber music recitals featuring world premieres and beloved classics. Free most Tuesdays September through March.

Check back soon to learn more about the pieces and performers.

Performance date and time: Tuesday, Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m.