

Blanchard Piano Studio

October 2018 Newsletter

MSMTA Keyboard Testing

will be held on

October 19 (Friday) and 20 (Saturday)

at

Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church

22646 Benswood Road, California, MD 20619



Please see the attached schedule for your specific time.

You will need to take your Keyboard Testing Binder and any alternate transposition material. Dress code is casual. Please arrive 15 minutes early.

Music Mind Games Theory Classes continue throughout October.

Get a jump start on your music reading! Music Mind Games will be held every Friday beginning September 21st and ending November 2nd. We meet at Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, 22646 Benswood Road, California. Please check the list below for the class most appropriate for your level. You will notice that some students may be asked to stay for two classes.



4:00-4:45 PM Kristina Chan, Joseph Ensminger, Claudia Gemmel, Ezra Huckabee, Emma Huckabee, Elizabeth Lawlin, Emma Levin, Mia Levin, Leah MacQuilliam, Andrew Rioux, Katherine Rioux, Victoria Smith, Joseph Smoot, Isaac Smoot, Olivia Taylor, Grace Wilson, Luke Wichrowski.

4:45-5:30 PM Kelvin Baldwin, Nate Bankston, Izzie Chorney, Zoe Chorney, Claudia Gemmel, Eve Huckabee, Josiah Huckabee, Mackenzie Klawitter, Trison Li, Jane Liang, Andy Loesch, Katherine Rioux, Rachel Rioux, Marlin Smith, Emily Smith, Victoria Smith, Tori Smoot, Selam Taylor, Jared Werner, Kayli Werner, Kara Willen, Clara Wilson, Grace Wilson, Kristen Wort.

5:30-6:15 PM Adalyn Baumann, Aidan Baumann, Simon Bowling, Nate Corbin, Sophia Ford, Alisa Gant, Eden Huckabee, Eve Huckabee, Jeremy Liang, Ellie Kate Loesch, Sawyer Malisch, Anna Morgan, Katherine Morgan, Katelyn Smith, Timothy Smith, Caleb Smoot, Sophia Sobolewski, Briana White, James Wort.

Mrs. Blanchard would appreciate it if some families would stay for about 10 minutes after the last class while she closes up the building so that she doesn't have to leave alone.

Fall Masterclass

with

Dr. Chiara Selby

November 16, 2018

4:00-6:00 pm

Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church



Open to those playing advanced and late intermediate repertoire. Music must be memorized. Limit 6 performers. Fee is \$30 per performer. Please let Mrs. Blanchard know if you would like to participate.

Student Activities

2018

| Mark your calendar: | Activity: |
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| October 19 or 20 (Fri. or Sat.) | *MSMTA Keyboard Testing at Grace and Peace (Public School has 1/2 day on Friday.) (\$12) |
| October 27 (Sat.) | MTACC General Recital at Christ Church in La Plata (\$5) |
| November 16 (Fri.) | Blanchard Piano Studio Master Class with Dr. Chiara Selby at Grace and Peace (\$25-35, depending on your level.) |
| November 17 (Sat.) | *MTASM General Recitals at SAYSF Bible Church (Recitals run throughout the day.) |
| November 30 (Fri.) | Royal Conservatory Assessments at Grace and Peace (Fees depend on level.) |
| December 8 (Sat.) | MTASM Christmas Recitals at Grace and Peace (Recitals run throughout the day.) |
| December 9 (Sun.) | *MSMTA Composer's Circle, College Park (\$25) |

2019

| Mark your calendar: | Activity: |
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| January 26 (Sat.) | *MTASM Ensemble Recitals at Grace and Peace |
| February 2 (Sat.) | MTACC Ensemble Recitals and General Recitals in La Plata (\$5) (Alternate ensemble event.) |
| February 16 (Sat.) | *MTASM General Recitals at St. Aloysius in Leonardtown |
| March 8 or 9 (Fri. or Sat.) | *MTASM Spring Festival at Grace and Peace (Duets / younger ages will play Fri. eve) (\$13.50) |
| March 23 (Sat.) | *MSMTA Theory Testing at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lexington Park (\$15) (1:00 pm) |
| March 24 (Sun.) | *MSMTA Ensemble Festival at University of MD, College Park (\$10 per person, per ensemble) |
| April 5 (Fri.) | *MSMTA High School Piano Exam at Grace and Peace (am) (\$35) |
| April 5 (Fri.) | Blanchard Piano Studio Sonata Recital at Grace and Peace |
| April 12 (Fri.) | Blanchard Piano Studio Master Class (pm) (\$25-35, depending on your level.) |
| April 27-28 (Sat. -Sun.) | *MTACC Sonata/Sonata Festival in La Plata (\$15) |
| May 4 (Sat.) | *MSMTA Festival for Solo Piano in College Park (\$15) |
| May 11 (Sat.) | *MTACC Scholarship Competitions (\$15-20, depending on your age.) |
| May 18 (Sat.) | *MTASM Honors Competitions (\$12.50-15.50, depending on your age.) |
| May 19 (Sun.) | *MSMTA Gottlieb Competition in Baltimore (\$20) |
| May 31 (Fri.) | Royal Conservatory Assessments at Grace and Peace (Fees depend on level.) |
| June 8 (Sat.) | Blanchard Studio Awards and Recognition Recitals |

Royal Conservatory Assessments

Our assessment dates for winter 2018 are **November 30th and December 1st**. Go online (see directions below) to register for your preferred time until the deadline on **October 16th**.

Parents, please go to www.rcmusic.org and log into or set up your parent account. Just click on the "Exam" tab at the top. Mrs. Blanchard's teacher number is **#10883**. Register for the *practical* assessment at the California, MD center at Grace and Peace.

The following students are recommended for the program this fall:

Simon Bowling: Prep B
 Isadora Chorney: 1
 Zoe Chorney: 2
 Joseph Ensminger: 7
 Mackenzie Klawitter: 3
 Emma Levin: 5
 Mia Levin: 5
 Trison Li: 1
 Jane Liang: 7
 Jeremy Liang: Prep A
 Leah MacQuilliam: 5

Katherine Morgan: Prep B
 Andrew Rioux: 2
 Marlin Smith: 1
 Sophia Sobolewski: Prep B
 Selam Taylor: 2
 Jared Werner: Prep B
 Kayli Werner: Prep A
 Luke Wichrowski: 6
 Kara Willen: 3
 Kristen Wort: Prep B
 Alisa Gant: Prep A

