

Blanchard Piano Studio

November 2017 Newsletter



Friday Classes Update

Music Mind Games WILL NOT MEET on Friday, **November 10th**, since Mrs. Blanchard will be out of town.

Our final class for the semester, **November 17th**, will actually be performance classes so come prepared to share a performance piece. There will also be a masterclass that afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 PM so please let Mrs. Blanchard know if you are interested in performing.

Contemporary Recitals November 18

The following students are scheduled to play at SAYSF Bible Church, 46544 Rue Purchase Road:

11:00 AM Kristina Chan, Eliana Reynolds, Selam Taylor

1:00 PM Jane Liang, Grace Marie Rorke

Royal Conservatory Assessments November 30, December 1

Our assessment dates for winter 2017 are **November 30th and December 1st**. All memory should be completed well before Thanksgiving. Please arrive no later than 15 minutes early and bring all assessment books. Recital dress is appropriate. Boys should wear a tie. Ladies should wear shoes with a back to support the heel, no flip flops, etc. Please be sure to thank your adjudicator at the end of your assessment.

Thursday, November 30:

Joseph Ensminger (6): 2:38 PM
Kristen Ensminger (8): 2:16 PM
Julia Hood (2): 3:05 PM
Jane Liang (6): 2:00 PM
Eliana Reynolds (10): 9:00 AM
Olivia Taylor (6): 10:50 AM
Luke Wichrowski (5): 4:17 PM
Kara Willen (2): 3:16 PM

Friday, December 1:

Isadora Chorney (PB): 10:12 AM
Zoe Chorney (1): 10:01 AM
Emma Levin (4): 9:11 AM
Mia Levin (4): 9:25 AM
Trison Li (PB): 9:39 AM
Grace Marie Rorke (3): 11:04 AM
Marlin Smith (PB): 9:50 AM
Leah MacQuilliam (4)

December 9 Christmas Recitals

A marathon day of recitals will be held at Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church. There will be a recital every hour on the hour all day from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you have a conflict, you are permitted to request a time. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for the local food pantries.

MSMTA Composers' Circle December 10

Leah MacQuilliam will be traveling to College Park on December 10th to present her composition *Ultraviolet* with other young composers in the state of Maryland.

Southern Maryland Teen Piano Group plays every first Monday of the month at 4:00 PM at Cedar Lane in Leonardtown. Contact Olivia Taylor if you are interested in this service event: 240-587-8306.

Activities for 2017-18

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Save the Date:	Activity:
November 17, 2017 (Fri.)	Performance Class/Master Class(Grace and Peace) Masterclass is \$25-35 depending on your level
November 18, 2017	MTASM Contemporary Recitals
November 30-December 1, 2017 (Thur.- Fri.)	RCMDP Assessments (Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, California) \$72 and up (Registration deadline is October 17th.)
December 9, 2017	MTASM Christmas Recitals (Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, California)

2018 New events are in bold print.

Save the Date:	Activity:
January 12, 2018	Masterclass with Dr. Kathleen Jeffcoat (Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church) \$35
January 27, 2018	MTASM Ensemble Recitals (Grace and Peace Church, California)
February 10, 2018	MTACC Ensemble Recitals (LaPlata)
February 17, 2018	*MTASM Students in Recital (St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Leonardtown)
March 4, 2018 (Sun.)	*MSMTA Spring Festival: Piano Ensemble (University of MD, College Park) \$10
March 9-10, 2018	*MTASM Spring Festival for Piano (Grace and Peace Church, California) \$13.50
March 17, 2018	MSMTA Theory Testing (Immaculate Heart of Mary Church) \$12
March 24, 2018	*MTACC Spring Evaluations (LaPlata)
April 21, 2018	Sounds of Tomorrow Auditions (St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, California) \$10
April 28-29, 2018 (Sat./Sun.)	*MTACC Sonatina/Sonata Festival (Christ Church, La Plata) \$15
May 5, 2018	*MSMTA Festival for Solo Piano (University of Maryland, College Park) \$15
May 12, 2018	*MTACC Scholarship Competitions (Christ Church, La Plata) \$15
May 19, 2018	*MTASM Honors Competitions (Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, California) \$12-15
June 1, 2018	RCMDP Assessments (Grace and Peace Church) \$72 and up
June 9, 2018 (Sat.)	Blanchard Piano Studio Recital (Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, California)
June 10, 2018 (Sun.) Tentative	Sounds of Tomorrow Concert (St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, California)

Looking Ahead:

Piano Lessons:

There are no piano lesson Thursday, November 9th or Thursday, November 23rd.

There are no piano lessons, December 25 to January 3. However, Mrs. Blanchard will teach some advancing students on January 4th at Grace and Peace. She will make arrangements with individual students (Chan, Ensminger, Hood, Huckabee, Lawlin, Levin, Liang, MacQuilliam, Reynolds, Rorke, Soriano, Wichrowski, Willen, Wilson).

Choral Students:

Deo Cantamus Children's Choir and Deo Adoramus Youth Choir final rehearsal for the semester is Wednesday, November 15th. Choirs resume Wednesday, January 24th.

Parvuli Preparatory Choir (ages 4-6) will meet for three sessions, Wednesdays, January 3, 10, 17 from 5:00 to 5:45 PM. Registration forms can be obtained in the studio.

