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On the Overgrown Path with Leos Janacek

Presented by

Ludmila Lazar

Friday, May 13, 2005
Roosevelt University
430 S. Michigan Ave.
9th Floor, Marks Hall

9:30 How do you teach scales?
10:00 – Business meeting
11:00 Lecture

Also, don't miss:

Nancy Bachus

Friday, June 17, 2005
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Roosevelt University
Ganz Hall – 7th Floor

For more information call:
Diane Aitken, Publicity Chairman
773-878-7513

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Susan Atkins
2545 Perry Street
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1914 Chickering 6'3. Rebuilt and Refinished last summer. Beautiful Mahogany Case, Huge Sound. Original Ivory Keys. Asking 15,000.

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Yearbook Corrections

Katherine Lee's new e-mail is
KatKLee28@yahoo.com

Welcome New Member

Vera Zhurakhovska
1348 Woodview #2S
Glenview, IL 60025

Joseph Reiser, in association with
The Robert Abramson Dalcroze Institute,
 is pleased to announce a 5-day summer
 intensive workshop in Chicago, IL:

AN INTRODUCTION TO DALCROZE EURHYTHMICS

Monday June 13 through Friday June 17, 2005
 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Price: \$385
 (Adjustable rates are available)

Location: St. Gertrude's Catholic Church
 1420 W. Granville Ave. (Edgewater)
 Chicago, IL
 (Convenient to public trans. / good parking)

SUBJECTS:

Eurhythmics * Rhythmic Solfege *
 Improvisation * Dalcroze philosophy,
 methodology and teaching techniques *
 Movement for non-movers * Rhythm and
 Performance * Baroque and pre-classic dance
 forms

Daily master classes with performances by
 workshop members * Exploration of Dalcroze's
 original texts and papers (not readily available
 to the general public) * Dalcroze Hand Dances
 for private piano * and so much more!

Contact Joseph Reiser at Reisermuse@aol.com
 or call 201 420 6112 for further details

Member of the Year

Congratulations to Jennifer Cohen, our
 Member of the Year for 2005! Jennifer will be
 recognized at the ISMTA Annual Conference,
 November 4 and 5 at Illinois State University in
 Normal, Illinois.

Competition Winners

Congratulations to the winners of this year's piano
 competition! Here are the results:

Primary Division:

1st prize - (tie) Tomoka Kan, student of Soo Lee
 Emma Michalak, student of Soo Lee

2nd prize - Jennifer Choi, student of Elaine Felder

3rd prize - Grace Kim, student of Soo Lee

Honorable Mention - Vicky Liu, student of Brenda
 Huang

Elementary Division:

1st prize - (tie) Lauren Tu, student of Sueanne Metz
 Abigail Turner, student of Elaine Felder

2nd prize - Kirsten Takaki, student of Sueanne Metz

3rd prize - Anna Ziv, student of Elaine Felder

Honorable Mention - Samantha Lenckos, student of
 Sueanne Metz
 Christina Tsai, student of Milana Pavchinskaya

Junior Division:

1st prize - Hannah Kay, student of Brenda Huang

2nd prize - Meagan Siu, student of Sueanne Metz

3rd prize - Patrick Mitera, student of Adam
 Chlastawa

Honorable Mention - Anthony Girjatowicz, student of
 Adam Chlastawa
 Michelle Nitahara, student of Sueanne Metz

Senior Division:

1st prize - Nathan Noh, student of Brenda Huang

2nd prize - Andy Kim, student of Soo Lee

3rd prize - Maura McCune, student of Elaine Felder

Thanks to all students and teachers for your hard
 work and congratulations again on your
 accomplishments!

Matt Hagle, Competition Chair

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON KEYBOARD PEDAGOGY

MAKING MUSIC TOGETHER

**AUGUST 4-6, 2005, OAK BROOK,
ILLINOIS**

You are encouraged to attend this biennial conference! It will be of major interest to all who teach, study, and/or perform music at the piano. The conference is organized by Louise Goss, Marvin Blickenstaff, and Sam Holland, the three major board members of the Frances Clark Center for Keyboard Pedagogy. At the last conference two years ago, the attendance was approximately 800.

The conference includes: teaching demonstrations, workshops, recitals, sessions on technology and multimedia, discussion groups, and exhibits.

Believe me, this is a winner! And transportation is just a car-ride away to Oak Brook. For program book containing detailed information and application, contact:

www.FrancesClarkCenter.org

The Frances Clark Center for Keyboard Pedagogy

P.O. Box 651, Kingston, NJ 08528
PH: 609-921-0371

Frances Larimer

District positions available

After five years both Susan Osborn and Karen Tobias will be stepping down as District Auditions co-chairman, **but will stay on though October, 2005**--where they could use some monitoring help as well. This is not a difficult job and business occurs only in September and October. This job enables you to be on the State board, which is very interesting. Please contact Karen at 1-847-251-6545 or e-mail her at cktobias@msn.com if you wish to become involved.

NSMTA Contest Winners Recital

May 15, 2005
2:00 PM

This event will be held at the Glenview United Methodist Church located at 727 Harlem Avenue in Glenview. The church is on the east side of Harlem, between Lake and Golf. Enter from the southwest side of the church.

Clara Berman, Recital Chair

Announcing... SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Jonathan Shih
Student of Cheryl Lim
Winner of Merle Hanson College Scholarship Award

Michelle Nitahara
Student of Sueanne Metz
Winner of NSMTA Summer Music Camp Scholarship Award

Both winners will be performing on May 15th at the winners recital. Congratulations winners!

Rachel Snyder
Scholarship Chair

Certification Meeting

The first meeting of the certification group is Tuesday, May 10, 9:00 am - 11:00 at Lynd Corley's home 744 Glenayre Drive in Glenview. Please join us as we begin this process. Hopefully we will have a number of newly certified members by the end of next year.

There will be refreshments. Please e-mail corley@corleywg.com for directions.
Lynd Corley

NSMTA Member Recital & Luncheon

Monday, June 6, 2005
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2328 Central Road
Glenview

Recital at 11:00 a.m.
Salad Buffet at 12:15 p.m. at
"The Café"
Of the Glenview Park Golf Club
800 Shermer Road
Glenview

CALL FOR PERFORMERS

Piano solo or 4-hand, chamber music, vocal music,
jazz, organ: 5-7 minutes
Call Barbara Kudirka (847-657-7886) by May 25 with
repertoire selection

The luncheon is \$15. Make check out to NSMTA
and mail to
Barbara Kudirka
3219 W. Lake - #3B
Glenview, IL 60025-1256

The luncheon deadline is Friday, May 27.

Treat yourself to a memorable event!

Member News

Donna M. Kuhel performed as piano soloist on the Friday Concert Series presented by the Musicians Club of Women. The April Concert was held at the Fourth Presbyterian Church on Michigan Ave., Chicago. She played works by Mozart, Rachmaninoff, Burgess and Chopin. Donna also appeared as soloist for the North Shore Musicians Club in April.



District Auditions

Now and through the summer is a good time to prepare your serious advanced students for ISMTA District Auditions in October. This is not to be confused with MTNA Auditions. **This is a competition. Winners to play at State in the fall.**

Illinois is divided into 5 geographic Districts. We are in the North East District. There are 5 local associations in our District. Our audition is held the second Saturday in October at Northwestern University. There are four categories. They are:

Elementary Piano

Grades 4-6. Two memorized contrasting pieces no longer than 10 minutes. No minimum time.
\$10.00

Junior High

Grades 7-9. Two or three memorized contrasting period pieces. Max. time is 15 minutes. Other instruments may qualify such as voice, strings, guitar, brass and woodwinds.

\$30.00

Duet. Rules being finalized. If interested call Karen at 847-251-6545.

High School

Grades 10-12. Three memorized pieces from contrasting periods. Max. time 15 minutes. Other instruments available.

\$30.00

Application in this newsletter. The deadline will be September 20, 2005.

Karen Tobias and Susan Osborn, District Chairs

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Susan Atkins, Editor

The Newsletter of the NSMTA

May 2005

From the President ...

We have three new members of the Executive Board: Second Vice President, Joan Kurtenbach; Recording Secretary, Peggy Pascal; and Treasurer, Rachel Snyder. A HUGE Thank you to the outgoing members, Sue Mueller, Carolyn Sanderson and Joan Kurtenbach.

This has been a busy month. I attended the National MTNA Conference in Seattle, Washington and the ISMTA State Board meeting in Urbana, Illinois. Both meetings were very educational.

One major goal that I feel should be a priority for everyone is to have NCTM after every teachers name in our group. We can do this. We have formed a group to begin working together. We will meet at 9:00 am on May 10 at my house. My address is 744 Glenayre Drive in Glenview. Please e-mail corley@corleywg.com for directions.

Some members have sent ideas for Focus on Fall 2005. Keep those ideas coming. We have a wonderful group, but we can always find ways to improve.

Most of us have received our membership renewal forms from MTNA. Don't wait to send yours in! You can also renew on line at mtna.org.

Plan to bring someone to the June 6th Recital and Luncheon. Look in the yearbook and find someone from your area that you may not know and bring them on June 6. If we each do this we will have twice the number of members in attendance.

See you in June,

Lynd Corley

Forum

At last month's meeting, Frances Larimer and Lynd Corley presented a report on the MTNA National Conference in Seattle, Washington April 2-6. Frances reported on the Pedagogy and Group Teaching Track. Lynd reported on the Professional Studio and Technology Sessions. There were 2400 teachers at the conference. We hope that many of you will be able to attend the 2006 MTNA Conference March 25-29, in Austin, Texas.

From the Program Chair

Our thanks to Sister Marjorie Delaplane for an in-depth and very well prepared presentation on some of the Sonatas of Scarlatti for our April meeting. Scarlatti appears at several levels in AIM.

Here is a "teaser" of the programs planned for the 2005-2006 season:

In September, piano professor Jim Giles of Northwestern University will discuss certain aspects of Chopin's piano music. In October, piano professor Dmitri Rachmanov of Roosevelt University will discuss and perform certain aspects of Tchaikovsky's music. The November program will feature our own Elaine Felder performing the Contest Repertoire. In February 2006, composer and independent piano teacher Dr. Bruce Berr will present a unique program on new approaches to piano teaching. In April, piano teacher Jennifer Merry will discuss and relate early childhood to piano teaching.

We look forward to another wonderful year for NSMTA and hope you will join us.

Karen Tobias, Vice President in charge of programs.

BOARD MEETING

The board meeting for the new and outgoing executive committee, committee chairs and key committee members will be held **Monday, May 23, 2005 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2328 Central Road, Glenview, IL at 9:30 am.** (Northeast Corner of Shermer and Central Road) Please bring summary reports of all students that have participated in AIM, Sonata-Sonatina Festival, Jazz Festival, Competition etc. for the yearly summary report. Officers please prepare a written report of the duties of your office. Refreshments will be served.

Lynd Corley