

# Austin District Music Teachers Association

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**March 2009**

## March Dates

- Mar. 2** 9:45 a.m. General Meeting  
Program: Melissa Marse, Keyboard Department Head, Houston Baptist University  
“Reflections of Bach: Goldberg Variationen”
- Mar. 2** **Deadline:** World of Music Test Entries
- Mar. 3** **Deadline:** Honors Recital 3 (Tuesday)
- Mar. 8** Honors Recital 3—Jessen Auditorium 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm (Sunday)
- Mar. 16** **Deadline:** High School Scholarship Contests (deadline is first day of Spring Break)
- Mar. 16** **Deadline:** Schedler Piano Contest (deadline is first day of Spring Break)
- Mar. 23** **Deadline:** April newsletter items must be postmarked or e-mailed by this date.  
Send to editor [pwong1@austin.rr.com](mailto:pwong1@austin.rr.com)
- Mar. 28-Apr 1** **MTNA National Conference** Atlanta, GA
- Mar. 29** World of Music Test – UT 2:30 pm (Sunday)
- Mar. 29** High School Scholarship Contests –UT Recital Studios 1:00 to 5:00 pm. (Sunday)
- Mar. 29** Schedler Piano Contest – UT Recital Studios 1:00 to 5:00 pm. (Sunday)
- Mar. 30** **Deadline:** Romantic/Contemporary Festival Entries

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### *From the President’s Desk...*

**Dear ADMTA Members,**

**Our guest speaker at the March meeting is Melissa Marse**, currently head of the Keyboard Department at Houston Baptist University. Melissa will speak on “Reflections of Bach: Goldberg Variationen”. Many of you will remember Melissa was a member of ADMTA a few years ago and served as our First Vice President in charge of programs. Come to the meeting and give her a warm welcome home!

**At the February meeting ADMTA members** chose to honor three teachers with the annual Teacher of the Year Award. This year’s winners are:

- ADMTA Teacher of the Year - Ana Ortega
- Pre-Collegiate Teacher of the Year - Irina Chernysheva-Hicks
- Collegiate Teacher of the Year - Kiyoshi Tamagawa

Congratulations to these dedicated teachers who contribute their time and many talents to benefit our teacher and student members. Wish our local winners luck as they go on to and compete at the state level.

Sincerely,  
Carol Feist  
ADMTA President

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### MONTHLY REMINDERS

#### YEARBOOK CORRECTIONS

If your contact information is not correct in the yearbook please send a correction notice to newsletter editor, Paula Wong [pwong1@austin.rr.com](mailto:pwong1@austin.rr.com). She will announce the change in the newsletter. Also, copy

Catherine Davis <catherine@capmusic.com>, Flossie Young <flossiesin2n@austin.rr.com> and Karen White <kwhite@mail.utexas.edu>. It takes all these people to keep our information correct.

**TEACHER REFERRAL COMMITTEE**

Do you need to fill an opening in your studio? The Teacher referral Committee can help! Email these ladies if you would like your name and contact information to be placed on the referral list. If you live in Westlake or north Austin contact Kay Rivers [kay@kayandfriends.com](mailto:kay@kayandfriends.com) If you live in south Austin contact Lindy Peterson [lindy@peterson5.com](mailto:lindy@peterson5.com)

**WEB LISTING**

Are you looking for some free advertising? The ADMTA website can help. All members are invited to have their name, email address or website address listed by zip code. Check it out, go to [austintxmusicteachers.org](http://austintxmusicteachers.org) and click on "Looking for a Teacher". Contact Janet Russell, [jrr@suddenlink.net](mailto:jrr@suddenlink.net) to have you name added.

**CONTACTING YOUR OFFICERS**

Please contact these busy people by email. If telephoning, do not call between teaching hours, usually 3:30 -7:30 pm.

**MEETING AGENDA**

Meeting agenda items may be submitted to Carol Feist: [carol@musicroom.net](mailto:carol@musicroom.net), no later than 5 pm on the Saturday before each monthly meeting. Only items on the agenda will be considered at the monthly meetings.

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**ADMTA TREASURER’S REPORT – 2/18/09**

Chase Checking Account	\$9590.53
Wachovia Securities Scholarship Account	\$27,291.08

Janet Russell,  
ADMTA Treasurer

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**NEW contact information for ADMTA Members:**

1. Shelley Jauh-Shaing Chen: Shelley Chen’s address has been changed. The new address is 3103 Silverleaf Dr, Austin, TX 78757, and the new telephone is 512-380-9596 (h), 512-785-7231(C)
2. Correct listing for Julia Monk: Please correct the zip code in the address book for Julia Monk. The correct address is: 729 Botany Bay Circle Pflugerville, TX 78660 (NOT 78669) The last digit should be a zero, not a nine.

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**STUDENT AFFILIATE NEWS**

Dear ADMTA Members,

I recently received a letter that I would like to share with you.

*.....When I joined ADMTA my self-appointed mentor sat beside me at every meeting for the full year and explained everything that was happening. We all looked out for and helped each other. Through the years I have been proud to say I am a member of ADMTA. Since I have been serving in various positions at the TMTA state level, I have bragged about what a caring, wonderful association we have. I have cited our strides into the future with great enthusiasm at state board meetings and other gatherings. Last fall when I (with great reservation) enrolled my participating student in Student Affiliate and Fall Theory, I was excited that I could do it. Such is not always the case with me and computer programs. I have since told everyone I know what a great database system we have.....*

I hope that in the year 2009 we can continue to promote a caring, benevolent association that puts our students first, then teachers and all other matters after so that our teachers this year can say that they are proud to be a member of ADMTA and

have the kind of experiences this teacher has had over the years.

All the best,  
Tricia Romriell  
Student Affiliate Chairman

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**Student Affiliate Treasurer's Report**

Checking Account Balance as of 1/30/09: \$21,664.89  
Savings Account Balance as of 1/30/09: \$5,580.77

Ana Ortega  
SA Treasurer

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**Performance Contest Report -February 8, 2009**

7 teachers enrolled students  
20 students performed in the contest  
**Judge:** Dr. Robert Steinbauer  
**Chairperson:** Julia Amada Kruger

**Students who are advanced to the Semi-Finals (previously called the District Level) now held at the state convention in Houston in June (not listed in any "ranking" order) are:**

- Justin Weyn---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Susan Liu
- Eric Wei---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Eric Hicks
- Wells Long---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Eric Hicks
- Jessica Hwang---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Irina Hicks
- Christopher Henselman---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Jeannie Henselman
- Victoria Fung---Piano Solo grades 7-8---student of Irina Hicks
  
- David Yu---Piano Solo grades 9-10---student of Julia Amada Kruger
- Brian Park---Piano Solo grades 9-10---student of Saida Kafarova
- Diane Liu---Piano Solo grades 9-10---student of Tim Woolsey
- Teresa Cheung---Piano concerto grades 9-10---student of Tim Woolsey
  
- Doris Li---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Saida Kafarova
- Miya Kodama---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Tim Woolsey
- Emily Fung---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Saida Kafarova
- Henry Finch---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Julia Amada Kruger
- Cameron Dennis---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Julia Amada Kruger
  
- ALTERNATE: Eric Hintikba---Piano Solo grades 11-12---student of Tim Woolsey
  
- Sebastien Weyn---Solo Piano Young Artist---student of Susan Liu
  
- Eric Wang---Piano concerto grades 9-10---student of Eric Hicks
- Jonathan Weyn---Piano concerto grades 11-12---student of Susan Liu
- Minwoo Bae---Piano concerto grades 11-12---student of Julia Amada Kruger

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