

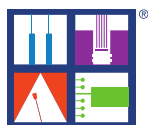
Let's have a
wonderful year!

First General Meeting

OCT. 6, 2015 at 10 a.m.

Keyboard Concepts

New this year:



WEST LOS ANGELES
BRANCH

LIVING COMPOSERS FIESTA
on Jan 24th, 2016.

Please submit your and your students' entries for the "Awards and Performance Corner" in Con Brio. →

Welcome new members!

Marianthe Bezzerides, Composition, Piano

Hyunmi Chung, Voice

Zach Neufeld, Piano

Christoffer John Schunk, Piano, Composition

Marina Lenau, Violin

Sheryl Shark, Piano

Awards and Performances Corner:

Daniel Pearl

World Music

Day – Audition

Winners:

Sacha Lin

Max Vadset

Tristan Paradee

Trinity Rose Drummond

Kelly Chen

Lea Bond

Salma Durra

Lauren Bondurant

Ethan Treiman

Murielle Anne Enriquez

Chloe Rosenstock

Congratulations to Nora Chiang-Wrobel's student! 10-year-old Hyeji Pak was a finalist in the "Southbay's Got Talent" Competition.

Georgi Slavchev helped organize and performed a sold-out benefit concert at the Bowers Museum in Santa Ana on Sept. 19th. <http://www.spreadthealohatokids.com/>

Lorenz Gamma is the newly appointed full-time Professor of Violin at Cal State University, Northridge.

Pianist Nora Chiang-Wrobel and violinist Limor Toren-Immerman were winners of the 2015 Beverly Hills National Auditions.

On next page: Please read the speech of Andrew Wu, the MTAC-WLA student president of MSSL.

Subscribe to our Mtac-WLA calendar online!

(see Sept. Con Brio on how to)

Starting this year we will use Google Forms for applications for our festivals, recitals and competitions. Information will be available to the program chairs at the general meeting.

IMPORTANT DATES IN OCTOBER:

01 Certificate of Merit™ Online Student Registration OPENS for one month only (www.mtac.org)

04 Bach Festival Complete Works Auditions, CSULB, 8:30 am–5 pm

06 First GENERAL MEETING, 10:00 - Mandatory CM Meeting

15 Adult Salon Musicale (#1) online application and postmark deadline for fees to reach Nora Chiang Wrobel

17 Bach Festival Complete Works Audition Awards Concert

18 MSSL Daniel Pearl World Music Days Concert, 3:00pm

31 Classical Festival online application & postmark deadline for entry fees

31 Certificate of Merit™ Online Student Registration CLOSES

The following is the speech of Andrew Wu, the MTAC-WLA student president of MSSL. It was given at the Wallis Annenberg Theater in Beverly Hills on Sept. 20, 2015. The event was presented by Kid Unity. He spoke before a prestigious audience whose guests included the former first lady of California, Sharon Davis.

Hi All,

My name is Andrew Wu and I am the president of the Music Students' Service League and the chair of this year's Daniel Pearl World Music Days Concert. We are a group of music students dedicated to giving back to the community through music. The Daniel Pearl Concert is a special event for us because it brings us all together and teaches us that music is greater than the individual. Daniel Pearl was a journalist who was murdered by Pakistani extremists. He used to carry his violin to the regions he visited, bringing the people he met together around music. After his death, his parents created the Daniel Pearl Foundation to "promote mutual respect and understanding among diverse cultures through journalism, music, and dialogue". We have been a part of the Daniel Pearl World Music Days for eight years and we are honored to be a part of this meaningful event.

For me, the Daniel Pearl World Music Days changed how I saw music. Playing the piano became more than just preparing for recitals and concerts; piano became an instrument that could bring people together. The Daniel Pearl Concert showed me that music is truly the universal language that could unite people of various backgrounds and cultures together. We hope that you will be able to join us at this year's concert and that it changes the way you see music!

Thank you.