

# Music Notes



## Calendar of Events

- 9/9—**Board Meeting** at home of Patty Lawson, 10:00 AM
- 9/23—**General Meeting** at the home of Jane Oertel, 1756 W Las Lanans Ln, Fullerton, 8:00 PM
- 10/1—**NEW: CM On-line registration opens!**
- 10/7—**Board Meeting**, 10 AM
- 10/21—**General Meeting/** Master Class Drawing at home of Kay Pech
- 10/31—**NEW Deadline: CM On-line registration closes!**
- 11/1—**Deadline:** Registration, Fees, and Teacher Work Assignment Form for CM due to Jane Oertel, CM Chair
- 11/4—**Board Meeting**, 10 AM



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## MTAC Whittier Branch Newsletter President's Notes

Hello, Fellow Branch Members! What a difference a year makes. This time last year felt like I was about to dip my toes in icy arctic waters, while this year feels more like I'm about to cliff dive into the warm waters of Hawaii! I can only attribute this dramatic shift to last year's steadfast support by you, the membership, more particularly, by our fervently devoted Board. I will always be grateful...

At the general business meeting in May, our membership voted, and approved a monumental change in branch policy—dropping the 3-meeting attendance rule; yet despite that, it was a pleasantly surprising to see such overwhelming attendance at the September board meeting, held at Patty Lawson's house. One of our newer members, *Mariana Khachatryan* even generously brought to-die-for French pastries baked by her husband. Many thanks, Mariana! Many thanks are likewise in order for Patty, our gracious Board meeting host.

I'd also like to extend a personal welcome to our newest branch members: *Suzu Hae Kim, Lyubov Solovyova, Zara Tulakyan, and Ani Bagdasaryan*. I hope to see you at any of our numerous events.

I am optimistic this will be a good year for our organization, and I look forward to seeing many of us at Jane and Roger's residence on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, despite the attendance policy change. Thanks, in advance, to our hospitable hosts!

~Until then, Paul

## First General Meeting of the Year Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00 PM

Our annual “kick-off” meeting will be held at the home of Jane Oertel. If you aren't at this meeting, it's like missing the first half hour of a movie—you spend the rest of the time trying to figure out what's going on! So, please, make every effort to attend so you will be in the loop! We will update you on all of the Branch's activities, you'll meet new members, hear reports from our delegates who went to the State Convention, and the Program Chairs will be present to answer any questions you might have about various Branch events. Come prepared to receive a *lot* of information, including important news about Certificate of Merit—the *on-line schedules have changed!*

Also, you may pick up the Whittier Branch Yearbook 2013-14, listing the details of our activities, the chairs of the various events, and an updated phone number/email address directory. Be sure to come and pick yours up, or arrange to have someone pick it up for you if you are unable to attend.

**Jane Oertel's address: 1756 W Las Lanans Ln, Fullerton, 92833.**

## CM 2014 Calendar at a Glance



October 1, 2013  
On-line student registration begins

October 31  
On-line student registration ends

November 1  
Registration checks, student roster lists, student fee list due to Jane Oertel, CM chair

January 2, 2014  
On-line repertoire registration begins

TBA  
On-line repertoire input ends

March 1 & 2  
CM Piano Evaluations  
Cal Poly, Pomona

March 15  
Branch Honors Recital  
(Piano)

March 29  
CM Wind/String Evaluations  
Whittier College

Teachers, it is time to start planning for the 2014 Certificate of Merit Evaluations. **Come to our Sept. 23 General Meeting to learn all that you need to know from our chair, Jane Oertel, and her assistant.** You can get this info even sooner at the State website any time: [www.mtac.org](http://www.mtac.org) **Online help at** [www.mtac.org](http://www.mtac.org)

**WHITTIER CM DATES:** **Piano:** March 1 & 2, 2014 at Cal Poly Pomona  
**Strings and Winds:** March 29, 2014 at Whittier College

**ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS: October 1, 2013 (new).** If you have forgotten your ID or password, contact the CM Chair by email at [raoertel@aol.com](mailto:raoertel@aol.com)

**DEADLINE: October 31, 2013 Registration Ends at 11:59 pm.**

**FEES:** (In hand to chair or postmarked by **November 1, 2013**)—There will be no late registration, per the State Office.

**Categories: Path A Only (Path B is no longer offered by MTAC).**

The Branch will assess a *processing fee* for teachers registering 20 or more students: 20-24 students: \$50; 25-29 students: \$100; 30-34 students: \$150; 35+ students, \$200. The above fees would be waived by performing an extra job, approved by the CM Chair.

*Also, all teachers entering students in CM must share the workload on the evaluation days as follows:*

### **Teacher's CM Workload based on total Path A Registrations as of 10/31/13:**

#### **Keyboard:**

- 1-4 students = 1 shift (1/2 day)
- 5-9 students = 2 shifts (1 day)
- 10-14 students = 3 shifts (1-1/2 days)
- 15-19 students = 4 shifts (2 days)
- 20 or more = 2 days plus extra work per CM Chair

#### **Strings/Winds:**

- 1-4 students = 1 shift (1/2 day)
- 5 or more students = 2 shifts (1 day)

*CM Panel Program Instructions/Timelines for all disciplines* – More information to come. Panel Dates are noted in the State CM August Newsletter under CM Resources.

**If you have any questions** about the online registration process for your students, please call Jane Oertel at (714) 879-1533, or email her at [raoertel@aol.com](mailto:raoertel@aol.com)—*do not wait until the last minute!*

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:** The CM Chair is looking for volunteers to fill the positions of Food Chairs for both CM venues, Cal Poly Pomona and Whittier College. Please contact the CM Chair if you are willing to take either of those venues. **Hope to see you at the Sept. 23 meeting!**

~Jane Oertel

*\*A missed (or incomplete) shift will result in a \$100 charge to the teacher. Members who volunteer their time above and beyond the requirements can earn 1 meeting credit for jobs done, preapproved by CM Chair.*

# June Luncheon Photos

## Officers 2013-2014



**President**  
**Paul Concepcion**



**Vice President**  
**Leslie Ho**



**Recording Secretary**  
**Robin Curtis**



**Corresponding Secretary**  
**Jane Oertel**



**Membership Secretary**  
**Janet Bennet**



**Treasurer**  
**Caroline Su**



MTAC Whittier Branch 2013 June Luncheon meeting at the home of Patty Lawson



Left to right:  
Joan Cain,  
Patty  
Lawson, and  
Wai Meng  
Leong  
receive  
awards for  
service to  
the Branch.

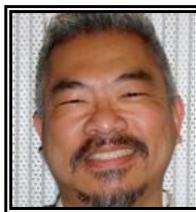


Officers, 2013-14; Left  
to right: Caroline Su,  
Jane Oertel, Robin  
Curtis, Leslie Ho, Paul  
Concepcion, Janet  
Bennett

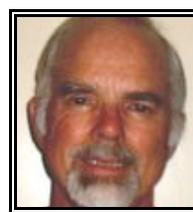
## ❁ Board of Directors ❁



**Patty Lawson**



**Wai Meng Leong**



**Tom Strout**



**Elizabeth Wilson**

## Miscellaneous News

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- ❖ As the 2013-14 year progresses, please remember to **email** any photos of Branch events to *Kay Pech*, [chambermusic@verizon.net](mailto:chambermusic@verizon.net) for the Branch website, and to *Patty Lawson*, [flautist57@hotmail.com](mailto:flautist57@hotmail.com), for the newsletter. *Thank you!*
- ❖ It's a new year, and perhaps you have changed your email address? Members who receive the Branch newsletter electronically, *please* send Patty Lawson (*email address at the left*) your current email addresses, otherwise your newsletter will float around in cyberspace rather than coming to your mailbox. Update, and stay informed!
- ❖ Please submit all newsletter articles and information you would like to see published by the *Friday following each Board meeting to Patty Lawson*. Check your yearbooks for applicable dates. Thanks!
- ❖ A big welcome to new members ☺: *Lyubov Solovyova (cello)*, *Zara Tulakyan (piano)*, *Ani Bagdasaryan (violin)*, and *Suzy Hae Kim (student member, piano)*.



## On the Lighter Side...

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### HOW TALL WERE THE GREAT COMPOSERS?

