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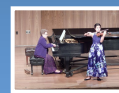
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Message from the President

Dear Members of MMTA:

On January 13-14, 2018, I had the distinct honor of attending the final live Southern Division competitions. This year, our MMTA students were very prominent in the competition results! Please refer to the published results later in this issue of the MMT. While at Southern Division, my primary assignments were to serve as inside monitor for the MTNA Young Artist Strings, and as outside monitor for the MTNA Piano Duet category. I will always consider my visit to Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia to be one of the highlights of my tenure as president of MMTA. The campus is stellar, and the music facilities are spanking new, having been constructed very recently.

Message from the President (continued)

While in Lynchburg, I was especially proud of two of our outstanding MMTA members. At the state presidents' meetings, Southern Division Director Kevin Chance talked about the contributions of Donna Banks and Theresa Sanchez. Donna was recognized for her longtime service in the Southern Division Competitions, ever since 1987. Also, I was amazed to learn that Theresa has been an official Southern Division accompanist for 32 years! Thank you both, Donna and Theresa, for all you have done for the organization in these many years.

Not surprisingly, the hottest topic of the Business Meeting was the



Alice Ballard

impending change in the structure of the divisional competitions. You have probably heard that beginning in 2019, these competitions will be conducted online, only. For more information, watch your email for updates about the new format for Southern Division competitions.

As we move into this new era of divisional competitions, think of all the advantages that will come to our students, parents, and teachers:

1. **Costs:** Expenses will be significantly reduced, since students will not be required to travel to compete at the divisional level.
2. **Facilities and liability:** Southern Division Director Kevin Chance said that, since the incidents at Penn State involving the abuse of minors, many colleges and universities are reluctant to host any events involving pre-college students. Complications may include required background checks and abuse training for all who come in contact in any way with students.
3. **Volunteers:** As you know, volunteers are often difficult to find. One advantage of online division competitions is that few competition officials are needed, compared to the host of helpers needed to implement live competitions.
4. **Weather:** Even at this year's Southern Division competition, bad weather caused some competition officials to suffer delayed arrivals. Consider the annual difficulties the more Northern areas face in getting to competition sites. Online competitions obliterate weather complications.
5. **Technology:** Most other national and international competitions have had video rounds for many years, so most students are accustomed to this practice.

Cyber threats were also discussed at the Southern Division meetings. Apparently, hackers have been able to reach into emails at the national, divisional and state level. Most commonly, this shows up as an emailed request for money, sent to the treasurer from someone on an executive board. It was recommended that treasurers and board members at any level of leadership communicate via texts or phone calls about cash transactions, to confirm that requests come from approved sources.

I thank each of you for all you are doing to make MMTA great. Please support our varied competitions and events. We have the Collegiate competitions coming up right away, on March 3rd, at Jones County Junior College in Ellisville. Our VP for Collegiate and National Competitions, Phyllis Lewis-Hale, is coordinating this event. Be sure and check our calendar web page for all the spring Pre-College Evaluations and Finals dates and places.

Respectfully,

Alice Ballard

Alice Ballard
MMTA President



President-Elect's Message



Victoria Johnson

The 2017 Fall Conference featured a terrific slate of guest artists. Dr. Jane Magrath shared her immense knowledge of the standing teaching repertoire; the Athens Guitar Duo inspired us with their impeccable playing and unique programming; Dr. Joe L. Alexander delivered a wonderful commissioned work for guitar, "Sipsey Suite"; and Sue Steck-Turner provided a wealth of practical help for teaching sight-reading. There were 44 paid registrants and 11 students/sponsored first-time attendees, bringing total attendance to 55. Millsaps College was a lovely venue for the conference and our host, Rachel Heard, was brilliant at organizing logistics. Phyllis Lewis-Hale (MTNA competitions) and Jung-Won Shin (Pre-College Concerto Competition) seemed to run their events effortlessly, although tremendous work was involved. The program booklet was beautiful as usual, due to Stephanie Holmes' excellent skills. Ruth Keyes and the Music Forum of Jackson gave a

gorgeous and delicious recital reception and provided lots of goodies for the hospitality room. Jeanne Evans and the Vicksburg Music Teachers Association also contributed much appreciated snacks for members and guests. Thank you to everyone who helped make the conference a success – it was truly a team effort!

We are also grateful to the Mississippi Arts Council for their generous support of the Fall Conference.

Now, plans for the 2018 Fall Conference are underway. Mark your calendars: We will meet **November 2-3 at William Carey University in Hattiesburg**. Brian Murphy, our host, is already organizing things on-site. I am excited to announce that Dr. Barbara Fast, Professor of Piano Pedagogy at the University of Oklahoma, will be our featured clinician, presenting research-based sessions on student empowerment, sight-reading, and practicing. Dr. Chuck Chandler, tenor and Assistant Professor at Florida State University, is our guest artist and will also give a vocal masterclass. Thanks to Susan Smith, voice area chair, for inviting him.

The conference planning committee will meet in August. Please let me know if you have any conference presentation ideas or other suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Johnson, President-Elect

Vice President for Membership and Web Management



Janine Beasley

As of January 25, 2018, 155 members are listed for the 2017-2018 year. Among these are 1 status change from 1 new collegiate member, 1 new collegiate member from MTNA conference, 5 reinstating members, 11 new members, and 1 transferring member from Texas.

Website changes:

Updated officer information with information for officers chosen since the Conference

Updated calendar information as requested

Uploaded August 2017 meeting minutes

Ongoing: miscellaneous updates as needed.

Continue to send mass emails to members as requested.

Updated member list with most current information; continuing to add new members as I get information. Unpaid members have been deleted.

Respectfully submitted,

Janine Beasley

Vice President for Collegiate and National Competitions



Mississippi Music Teachers Association

January 27, 2018

Dear MMTA Members,

Greetings from the VP for Collegiate and National Competitions! This year's **MTNA State Competitions** were held at Millsaps College. I would like to thank Rachel Heard and the Millsaps Department of Music for hosting the event. I would also like to thank the area chairs and the adjudicators for their outstanding work.

The numbers were better this year, but I am sure that next year we will have much more participation as we continue to advertise and encourage our colleagues to join or renew their memberships in MMTA.

Below is the report regarding the participation in our Fall 2017 MTNA State Competitions:

35 entrants registered

- Piano – 11 solo
- Woodwind – 13 solo / Chamber Music Wind -3
- String – 5 solo / Chamber Music String - 1
- Voice – 1 solo
- Brass – 1 solo

I am pleased to report that our students performed very well in the Southern Division Competitions held on January 12-15 at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia. Our Southern Division winner in Junior Performance Woodwind is Matthew Kim, student of Myung Kim. Also, Luke Zhang, student of Adrienne Park, is the Junior Composition winner at the divisional level. These students will represent Mississippi in the national competitions at the MTNA Conference in March 2018.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the State and Southern Division events. I would like to thank the teachers and parents for their ongoing support and encouragement.

Finally, beginning in 2019, the format for the Southern Division competition will be conducted online. Look forward to receiving more updates about this new procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Lewis-Hale, DMA
VP for Collegiate and National Competitions
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MTNA (MS) Division Competitions Winner List:**Southern Chamber Music String - 4 entries**

Honorable mention	Belhaven University String Quartet (MS)	Song Xie
	Jessica Schmidt	Violin
	Zakary Joyner	Violin
	Daniel Jones	Viola
	Rebekah Miller	Cello

Southern Chamber Music Wind - 7 entries

Alternate	Vibe (MS)	Lawrence Gwozdz
	Jeffrey Humphrey	Soprano Saxophone
	Aaron Manigault	Alto Saxophone
	Zack Everett	Tenor Saxophone
	Matthew Gioia	Baritone Saxophone

Southern Junior Performance Woodwind - 5 entries

Winner	Matthew Kim (MS)	Flute	Myung Kim
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Southern Young Artist Performance String - 6 entries

Alternate	Daniel Jones (MS)	Violin	Song Xie
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Southern Junior Composition

Winner	Luke Zhang (MS)	Adrienne Park
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Phyllis Lewis-Hale

Vice President for Pre-College Performances



Jung-Won Shin

Both the Gold Medal Recital and the Pre-College Concerto Competition took place on Saturday, November 4, 2017, during the 2017 conference at Millsaps College. 23 pre-college students, who had won gold medals at the solo or ensemble categories in strings, voice, and piano in the 2017 Pre-College Finals last May, performed in the Gold Medal Recital on November 4, at 11am, at the 2017 Conference.

22 contestants registered for the 2017 Pre-College Concerto Competition: 18 piano and 4 strings entrants (three in Junior Strings and one in Senior Strings). One of the contestants was regrettably unable to participate in the competition. The number of participants in each piano division was as follows: one in Elementary A; five in Elementary B; seven in Junior; and four in Senior. The names of the competition winners are available in this newsletter. Congratulations to all student performers and their teachers!

Appreciation is extended to Alice Ballard, Victoria Johnson, Ellen Elder, Chris Ballard, Karen Murphy, Rachel Heard, Janine Beasley, and Stephanie Holmes for their assistance prior or during the pre-college events at our 2017 Conference. Appreciation is also extended to our judges: Ms. Sue Steck-Turner, piano; and Dr. Ausra Jasineviciute, strings.

The 2018 Pre-College District Evaluations will be held on April 7 and 14. This year, Group A will audition on Saturday, April 7. Group A includes Goodman, Hattiesburg, Jackson, Oxford, and Tupelo. Group B auditions will be held in the following week, on Saturday, April 14. Group B includes Columbus/Starkville, Ellisville, Gulf Coast, and Vicksburg.

This year's Pre-College Finals will take place on Saturday, May 19, 2018, on the Raymond campus of Hinds Community College. A draft of the program for the Pre-College Finals will be sent to teachers for review. The schedule of the Pre-College Finals will be posted on the MMTA website approximately two weeks before the Finals event. The performance order for all recitals this year will be 'A-Z.' I would like to thank our district chairs for their hard work and support in advance and will look forward to seeing you all at the Pre-College Finals!

Respectfully submitted,

Jung-Won Shin

Vice-President for Pre-College Performances

Treasurer's Report



Chris Ballard

In the first six months of this fiscal year we have stayed within our projected budget that was approved by the MMTA Board last August. We enter into the second half of the fiscal year in great financial shape. Thanks to all of you for being frugal in your MMTA expenditures. Barring any unforeseen emergencies, I anticipate we will finish out our year well within the projected budget. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your State Treasurer, and as always, if I can help you in any way with MMTA financial questions you may have please feel free to contact me anytime. Respectfully submitted by Chris Ballard, MMTA State Treasurer.

MISSISSIPPI MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION ACCOUNT BALANCES

21,862.43 - Ending Checking Account Balance - January 27, 2018

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\$24,915.05 - Total Available Cash

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The **Southern Division Competitions** were held at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia, on January 12-15. Congratulations to all of our state winners who represented the state of Mississippi at the Southern Division competitions! The results of from Southern Division are below:

MTNA (MS) Division Winner List:

Southern Junior Composition

Winner	Luke Zhang (MS)	Adrienne Park
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Southern Chamber Music String - 4 entries

Winner	Music City Quintet (TN)	Cornelia Heard
	Hesoo Cha	Violin
	Eric Cho	Cello
	Rachel Haber	Viola
	Emily Monroe	Violin
	Miranda Shum	Piano
Alternate	Liberty String Quartet (VA)	Domenico Trombetta
	Chloe Harvel	Violin
	Emma Short	Violin
	Melissa Snell	Viola
	Jonathan Brier	Cello
	Ezra LaFleur	Piano

Honorable mention	Belhaven University String Quartet (MS)	Song Xie
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Jessica Schmidt	Violin
Zakary Joyner	Violin
Daniel Jones	Viola
Rebekah Miller	Cello

Southern Chamber Music Wind - 7 entries

Winner	Apalachee (FL)	Katherine Weintraub
	Eric Stults	Soprano Saxophone
	Trevor Chu	Alto Saxophone
	Patrick Manser	Tenor Saxophone
	Zach Mckee	Baritone Saxophone

Alternate	Vibe (MS)	Lawrence Gwozdz
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Jeffrey Humphrey	Soprano Saxophone
Aaron Manigault	Alto Saxophone
Zack Everett	Tenor Saxophone
Matthew Gioia	Baritone Saxophone

Honorable mention	Centennial Quartet (GA)	Jan Baker
	Douglas Tiller	Alto Saxophone
	Ciara Hill	Tenor Saxophone
	Megan Bauman	Soprano Saxophone
	Hassan High	Baritone Saxophone

Southern Junior Performance Woodwind - 5 entries

Winner	Matthew Kim (MS)	Flute	Myung Kim
Alternate	Blair Carrier (SC)	Flute	Amanda Barrett
Honorable mention	Lily Walters (VA)	Flute	Jennifer Lapple
	Hyunmin Ra (NC)	Clarinet	Sejung Ra

Southern Young Artist Performance String - 6 entries

Winner	Natalya Klenovskaya (GA)	Violin	Sergiu Schwartz
Alternate	Daniel Jones (MS)	Violin	Song Xie
Honorable mention	Hesoo Cha (TN)	Violin	Cornelia Heard
	Scott Alex Lavine (NC)	Cello	Emanuel Gruber

Mississippi's 2018 MTNA Foundation Fellow



Edna Mae Hanks McCoy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Brewer Hanks, was born and reared in Jackson, Mississippi. Miriam Rowan was her piano teacher for twelve years. She received her BM Degree in piano from MSCW with Department Head, Dr. Sigfred Matson who served as presidents of MS MMTA, Southern Division, and National MTNA.

Married for 20 years to Mark McCoy, they had one daughter, Melanie McCoy and one grandson, Mark who live with her in Columbus.

Currently she is in her 57th year as an independent piano teacher. A member of MMTA for over 50 years, she served as chair of pre-college evaluations for 18 years and co-chair for 4 years. During her adult years she has performed frequently, as have her many students. For over 30 years she has been pianist and organist for Main St. Presbyterian Church in Columbus, MS.

Affiliate News

HATTIESBURG MUSIC TEACHERS LEAGUE

The highlight of the academic year so far was our biennial Composer Festival, featuring Glenda Austin. HMTL students presented four recitals of Ms. Austin's music and teachers attended a workshop featuring her compositions. The commissioned solo, "Valse en Vogue," a charming intermediate-level piece, was performed at each of the recitals. Thanks to Laura Broughton for her tremendous work as chair of the festival.

The HMTL kicked off the spring semester January 20th with a business meeting and a presentation, "How Physiology and Physics Help Us Teach Piano," by Cheng-Feng Hsieh. We are grateful to Elizabeth Moak, VP for Programs, for organizing this interesting program.

Our spring schedule is full as usual with student recitals February 10, the NFMC Festival February 17, MMTA Pre-College Evaluations and Music Camp Scholarship Auditions April 7, student recitals and the Spring Concert April 29, our spring business meeting and luncheon at the Purple Parrot May 10, and MMTA Pre-College Finals May 19. Best wishes to all for a successful and fulfilling semester!

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Johnson
President, Hattiesburg Music Teachers League

VICKSBURG MUSIC TEACHERS

Vicksburg Music Teachers enjoyed a piano technique workshop given by Alice Ballard, in the home of Jeanne Evans. Alice is an amazing presenter, and had a lot of resources to support our efforts in preparation for Evaluations. . The long holiday break, cold weather closings, and heightened flu season caused us to cancel our annual Boys Recital in January.

We are all busy preparing students for Spring events, including a Solo and Ensemble Recital on March 4, and our Evaluations on April 14. Each year, we hold a Vicksburg Honors Recital for all students who earn a "Superior" in Performance at Evaluations. That is set for Sunday, April 22. This year seems to have flown faster than most!

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Evans

MUSIC FORUM OF JACKSON

Music Forum of Jackson is in the midst of our Fifty-Year Anniversary Celebration, following our opening piano duo concert with three “First Thursday” meetings focusing on the activities of our first, second, and third decades, being inspired by the extreme dedication to music teaching by our founders.

Patsy Simpson and Donna Reed executed another successful Sonata/Sonatina Festival held at Millsaps College on November 18 with 56 participating students from the studios of 18 teachers.

Ruth Keyes planned a lovely Christmas order-from-the-menu luncheon at Anjou Restaurant featuring as speaker former MFJ member Marilyn Tinnin, now editor and publisher of *Mississippi Christian Living* magazine.

Plans are underway, led by Kathie Gunn, for our statewide (plus Louisiana) 49th Bach Festival to be February 10 on the Hinds Community College Raymond Campus. 368 are registered.

The MMTA Area Evaluations will be held on April 7th and this year will be moved to Belhaven University. Jacquelyn Thornell is our Area Chairperson.

We will continue our year’s celebration under Patsy Simpson’s chairmanship, including a May social event a summer music sale, and concluding with a concert in the Fall.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol S. Durham
President, MFJ



Celebrating our Fiftieth Anniversary

Duo Piano Concert and Reception
“First Thursday” Meetings/Programs
Sonata–Sonatina Festival
Christmas and Spring Luncheons
Forty–Ninth Annual Bach Festival
MMTA Area Evaluations
Fall 2018 Piano Concert



JONES COUNTY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Janine Beasley, President

January 27, 2018

The JCMTA annual Showcase Recital was held on Sunday, November 12, 2017. Student performers, both solo and ensemble, as well as one voice student, were highlighted at this event.

The JCMTA annual Solo and Sonata Competition was held on Saturday, January 20, 2018. The competition is for students sixth through twelfth grade. 23 students were entered for this event.

Business meetings were held prior to the above events.

Several JCMTA teachers had students who participated in the Mississippi Baptist Keyboard Festival which was held on Thursday January 25, 2018.

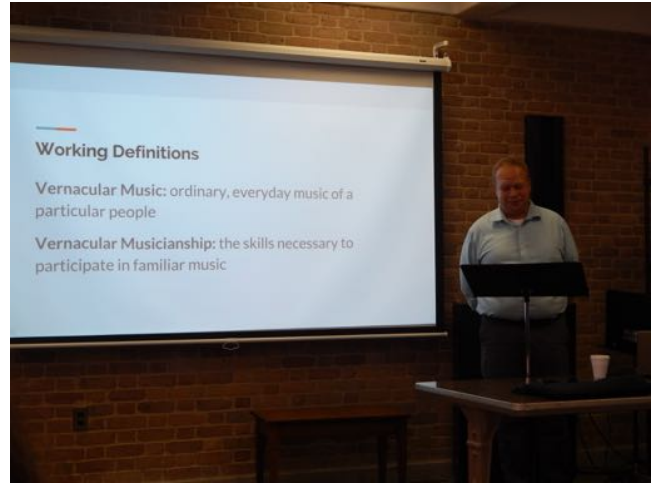
JCMTA will hold its annual Ensemble Festival on Saturday, February 24, 2018.

Jones County Music Teachers Association will participate in the Ellisville area MMTA Evaluations April 14, 2018, at Jones County Junior College.

Respectfully submitted,
Janine Beasley

2017 Fall Conference Snapshots

Millsaps College, Jackson

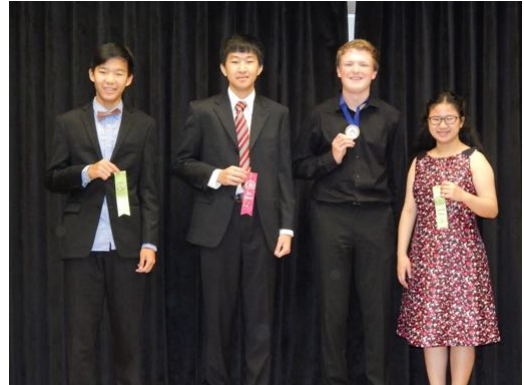




Competition Winners



Young Artist Woodwinds



Senior Piano Performance



Chamber Woodwinds



Young Artist Piano



Senior Strings



Young Artist Strings



Senior Woodwinds



Elementary Piano A & B Concerto



Junior Piano Concerto



Senior Piano Concerto



Junior & Senior Strings Concerto



All of the Concerto Competition Participants

Mississippi MTNA Winners

MTNA STATE COMPETITIONS: STATE LEVEL

CHAMBER MUSIC STRINGS

Representative

Belhaven University String Quartet
 Jessica Schmidt, Violin
 Zakary Joiner, Violin
 Daniel Jones, Viola
 Rebekah Miller, Cello

Song Xie

CHAMBER MUSIC WINDS

Winner

Vibe
 Jeffrey Humphrey, Soprano Saxophone
 Aaron Manigault, Alto Saxophone
 Zack Everett, Tenor Saxophone
 Matthew Gioia, Baritone Saxophone

Lawrence Gworzdz

Alternate

The Olympus Quartet
 Jarrod Colley, Tenor Saxophone
 James Spearing III, Alto Saxophone
 Aldo Matinez, Baritone Saxophone
 Morgan Webster, Soprano/Alto Saxophone

Lawrence Gworzdz

Honorable Mention

University of Southern Mississippi
 Saxophone Quartet
 Adam Estes
 Rory Young, Soprano Saxophone
 Madalyn Tess, Alto Saxophone
 Ryne Anderson, Tenor Saxophone
 Steven Hugley, Baritone Saxophone

COMPOSITION

JUNIOR CATEGORY

Representative

Luke Zhang

Adrienne Park

BRASS PERFORMANCE

YOUNG ARTIST CATEGORY

Representative

Andrew Rogers

Anthony Kirkland

PIANO PERFORMANCE**JUNIOR CATEGORY**

Representative	Matthew Li	Rachel Heard
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SENIOR CATEGORY

Winner	Caleb Owens	Ian Hominick
Alternate	Vinson Lu	Rachel Heard
Honorable Mention	Edward Hu	Ian Hominick
Honorable Mention	Calendula Cheng	Ian Hominick

YOUNG ARTIST CATEGORY

Winner	Sung-Eun Ryu	Karen Fosheim
Alternate	Young Hye Min	Jung-Won Shin
Honorable Mention	Lorena Surducun	Valentin Bogdan
Honorable Mention	Robert Totten	Valentin Bogdan

STRINGS PERFORMANCE**JUNIOR CATEGORY**

Representative	Samuel Garcia	Song Xie
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SENIOR CATEGORY

Winner	Lydia Newton	Sonja Foster
Alternate	Cecilia Escobedo	Emily McClung

YOUNG ARTIST CATEGORY

Winner	Daniel Jones	Song Xie
Alternate	Jessica Schmidt	Song Xie

VOICE PERFORMANCE**SENIOR CATEGORY**

Representative	Heather Almekdad	Jeanne Evans
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WOODWIND PERFORMANCE**JUNIOR CATEGORY**

Representative	Matthew Kim	Myung Kim
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SENIOR CATEGORY

Winner	Morgan Webster	Lawrence Gwozdz
Alternate	William Hamilton	Adam Estes
Honorable Mention	Austin Brooks	Adam Estes
Honorable Mention	Victoria Gong	Sybil Cheesman

YOUNG ARTIST CATEGORY

Winner	Christopher Scott	Adam Estes
Alternate	Steffany Leandro	Kim Woolly
Honorable Mention	Matthew Gioia	Lawrence Gwozdz
Honorable Mention	Catherine Patriquin	Sheri falcone

Pre-College Concerto Competition Winners

November 4, 2017

Student (Teacher)
Piano Elementary A

Gold Medal:

Anya Rai (Joshua Trent Smith)

Piano Elementary B

Gold Medal:

Max Feng (Katie Wallace)

1st Alternate:

Jade L. Agler (Carol Mahler)

2nd Alternate:

Matthew Hatchett (Donna Reed)

Junior Piano

Gold Medal:

Edmund Doerksen (Ian Hominick)

Yolanda Tian (Jan Mesrobian)

1st Alternate:

Jiyoung Seo (Jung-Won Shin)

2nd Alternate:

David Jelinek (Joshua Trent Smith)

Senior Piano

Gold Medal:

Bach Xuan Nguyen (Ian Hominick)

1st Alternate:

Lori Feng (Rosangela Sebba)

Junior Strings

Gold Medal:

Jonathan Shepherd Cross Caudill Jr. (Susan Gaston)

Yolanda Tian (Stephen Redfield)

1st Alternate:

Minhye Park (Anne-Gaëlle Ravetto)

Senior Strings

Gold Medal:

Cecilia Maria Escobedo (Emily McClung)

Mark Your Calendar

March 3, 2018 – MMTA Collegiate Competitions – Jones County Junior College, Ellisville

April 7, 2018 – 2018 MMTA Pre-College Evaluations – Goodman, Hattiesburg, Jackson, Oxford, and Tupelo

April 14, 2018 – 2018 MMTA Pre-College Evaluations – Columbus/Starkville, Ellisville Gulf Coast, and Vicksburg

April 22, 2018 – MVSU Piano Festival – Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena

May 19, 2018 – MMTA Pre-College Finals – Hinds Community College, Raymond

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I would also like to congratulate all of the students who performed in the recitals and competitions. You all performed beautifully! Keep up the wonderful work!

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