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President's Message

By Olivia Riddell

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Welcome to October! I trust that each and every Ottawa Region Branch member experienced a wonderful September and start back to your teaching.

We had a wonderful September General Meeting on September 12th with approximately 35 members in attendance. Thank you again to those members who attended and to Jennie Smith for ensuring we all walked into a wonderful, welcoming room (with hot coffee, tea and snacks). More on the meeting and information is in this issue – if you have any follow-up questions and/or suggestions for me, please ensure that you connect with me directly.

It is hard for me to believe that a full year has already passed in being the Ottawa Region Branch President and that this will be my final year. My first year was truly wonderful, informative and educational on so many levels. I will continue to work on your behalf in the best way I know how and support all our members in the best way possible.

First and foremost, the council has agreed to move forward with bringing the Young Artist, Andrew Fu, to the Ottawa are on **October 29**th. Please ensure that you put this in your calendars and let's make this a wonderful, successful event for Andrew. The poster is on the last page of this issue. Please post it in your studio, and feel free to copy and distribute it to your parents, students, friends, etc.

Our partnerships with Ottawa Pianos and the NAC continue to grow. I look forward to being able to provide you with information regarding our next NAC "Tune Town" event. A reminder that we have also moved forward with an NAC Corporate sponsorship (in the name of ORMTA) as we felt this would be a new and creative way to not only market ourselves, but also gain some "perks" when any member wants to attend an event (or show) at the NAC. I have created a summary of what our benefits are, along with the contact information you need to ensure that you can enjoy the benefits of being an NAC Corporate Donor (please read forward for this information within the ORBit).

Please take a moment to read through the Calendar of Events at the end of this ORBit – there have been quite a few additions of dates and deadlines. Please take a moment now to mark the events in your calendar to help ensure that you (and your students) can attend, as greater participation with these events only makes us stronger and the events more impactful.

Have a wonderful month! I look forward to connecting with you whether through email, phone or at an event.

Best, Olivia Riddell



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General Meeting September 12th, 2016 by Olivia Riddell

Monday, September 12th marked the start of our ORMTA teaching year when we gathered for news and social time at the Resurrection Lutheran Church. Thanks go out to our wonderful Social Convener Jennie Smith for organizing a lovely meeting space. We enjoyed coffee, tea, juice and some table-ready refreshments. Thank you to those of you that provided these.

Our 2016-2017 council gave their reports while the membership listened eagerly for all the exciting information. Sophie Reussner-Pazur (NAC) and Mitchell Wright (Ottawa Pianos) shared and updated the members with some great information in regards to our partnerships directly – as well as upcoming events within both their organizations.

All dates for our events can be found in the Calendar of Events, on the back page of your ORBit for those of you that weren't able to attend the meeting.



Mitchell Wright addressing the members regarding





Sophie Reussner-Pazur discussing NAC programs for the coming season.



Members "browsing" at the Used Music table.

Members' Corner

Welcome to New Members:

Sylvia Etcheverry, Piano, Rudiments Lindsay Foster, Flute Alison Kranias, Harmony, Piano, Theory Olena Vyhovskyi, Violin Serhii Vyhovskyi Violin

Congratulations to:

Hoda Nassim, who has been named President of the Musical Arts Club of Ottawa.

Anita Schlarb, on her promotion to Third Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon-Do

Do you know an ORMTA member who deserves a congratulatory note, condolences or get well wishes? Forward details to: kmaryhoward@primus.ca

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Send submissions to: kmaryhoward@primus.ca or by mail to: Kathleen Howard, Editor, the ORBit

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by Mitchell Wright

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Your ORMTA Rack Card: a professional way to advertise

by Kimberley Sundell

By now you will have received your ORBit mailing, with our Rack Card. One of the main goals of the council during the design process was to have these cards serve as a personalizable way for each teacher to advertise their studio.

On the back of the card, along with important information for potential students, is a box for you to place your business card or to hand write your studio location information, as in the illustration.

There are so many places you could place these cards for advertising:

Schools

Churches

Shopping centres

Arenas

Libraries

Community centres

And more!

We still have cards available, so if you need more to advertise your studio, please contact Kimberley Sundell at sundellpianostudio@gmail.com



Attach your business card

Write in your contact information

NAC Corporate Donor Benefits

by Olivia Riddell

What are the benefits of ORMTA Ottawa's Corporate Donorship—Playwright Level, and how can the benefits of our Corporate Playwright Circle be accessed and used?

The following are privileges available to all Ottawa Region Members:

- Access to Concierge Service at extension 218
- Same day service
- Le Café reservations
- Reserved VIP parking
- No-fee ticket purchase/exchange with access to the best seat.
 - * We are entitled to complimentary tickets for NAC productions, including the NAC Orchestra, English and French Theatre, and Dance performances. To see what performances you wish to attend, visit: www.nac-can.ca
- Front of line service for Galas
- Recognition in *Prelude*, the NAC's house program (annual circulation 240,000)
- Recognition in the NAC's Annual Report, tabled before Parliament.
- Recognition on the NAC Foundation website (last updated June 2016, so we should appear soon! -OR)

How do you access these benefits?

To access these tickets, the VIP parking, or any of the other benefits, members need to call 613-947-7000 ext. 315 By speaking with an NAC Representative directly, they can help with anything you wish.

Our Donor Number is 46598 (should you be asked)

Upcoming Concerts

October 22nd Musical Arts Club Scholarship Fundraising Gala, 7:30 p.m., at MacKay United Church. Tickets are \$25.00 for Adults and \$15.00 for students. Contact Hoda Nassim at 613-236-3865 or hoda_nassim@hotmail.com.

Information Sharing Session Monday, November 14th, 2016

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the house of Paulette Price, 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata. Topic: A look at jazz piano as it relates to today's piano student.

Steve Boudreau will discuss jazz piano as it relates to teaching piano students of all ages. Topics touched on will include melodic improvisation, jazz harmony and rhythm, and a look at the Conservatory Canada Contemporary Idioms technical requirements.

Steve Boudreau is an Ottawa-based jazz pianist and vocal accompanist. He has performed on many records, including releasing his own solo piano album "Open Arms" in 2012. He has toured North America and Europe as a musical theatre keyboard player and assistant conductor. He holds degrees in jazz piano from Carleton University and the New England Conservatory in Boston, where his teachers included many of the leading names in modern jazz. He has studied the Taubman approach to technique at the Golandsky Summer Seminar at Princeton, and has his Grade 9 RCM in voice. He has been a member of ORMTA since moving back to Ottawa full time in 2014.

To reserve a place email Paulette at pauletteprice@rogers.com or phone at 613-592-6686. If you are interested in bringing a snack item for coffee time, please let Paulette know one week before the session.

Ottawa Family Music Expo 2016

by Katarina Jovic, Music and Beyond Coordinator

Once again Ottawa branch of ORMTA was invited to participate at Ottawa Family Music Expo 2016, the annual free event presented by Music and Beyond and hosted by The University of Ottawa School of Music and The Faculty of Arts. Held on Sunday July 10, this family-oriented event gained a huge popularity for its all-day along musical activities and performances by professional classical musicians, music students, dancers, magic and art experts, etc. There were more than 150 concerts both outdoors and in the Perez (Music) Building and Tabaret Hall.

ORMTA was proudly represented by its students in a series of five mini performances on the fourth-floor studio in the Perez Build-

ing. Fifteen students showed a high level of musicianship, sharing their talents with an appreciative audience. The number of students who applied to perform doubled compared to last year.

Along with performances we prepared a power point presentation about who we are and had

students' achievements, medals and trophies on display.

My thanks go out to our own Paula Lin and Olivia Riddell for making sure everything ran smoothly and to our tireless teachers and parents, who took time to prepare and coordinate for the event in a relatively short time.

With that I would like to conclude that the intent of fostering a love of classical music and the open invitation and encouragement to families and children to sign up for music lessons have been achieved.





First Class Honours Auditions and Recitals

by Meg Iwaskow

Students of ORMTA members who have received a First Class Honours/First Class Honours With Distinction standing (80% or higher) in any of the 2016 examination sessions are invited to apply to audition for this wonderful event. It is open to students who have completed Grade 2 and above.

Application forms and detailed information can be found online at www.ormtaottawa.ca under the EVENTS link or you can contact me at megiwaskow@gmail.com

Application Deadline: Friday January 6, 2017

Auditions: Sunday January 15, 2017 at Ottawa Pianos 1412 Bank Street 1-5pm Recitals: Sunday February 5, 2017 at City View United Church 6 Epworth Avenue



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Calendar of Events

September 2016

26 Information Sharing Session RCM Musicianship Requirements 9:30-11:30 a.m. 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata. Contact: Paulette Price 613-592-6686 pauletteprice@rogers.com

October 2016

- 28 Canada Music Week Recital Application Deadline Contact: Tania Granata 613-728-1195 taniag5@sympatico.ca
- **29 Young Artist's Recital**, featuring Andrew Fu, student of Koichi Inoue of Brampton-Caledon-Bolton Branch. 7 p.m. Kanata United Church, 33 Leacock Drive. Contact Olivia Riddell 613-680-2996 olivia@myc.com Purchase \$30 unlimited Teacher's Pass online at www.ormtaottawa.ca

November 2016

- **6 Canada Music Week Auditions** 1:30-4 p.m. Orleans United Church. Contact:Tania Granata 613-728-1195 tanag5@sympatico.ca
- **14 Information Sharing Session** Steve Boudreaux on Jazz elements. 9:30-11:30 a.m. 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata. Contact: Paulette Price 613-592-6686 pauletteprice@rogers.com
- 18-20 Canadian Music Showcase Details TBA. Contact: Ann Babin 613-830-8826 ann_babin@bell.net
- 20 Canada Music Week Recital 4 p.m. Orleans United Church Contact: Tania Granata 613-728-1195 taniag5@sympatico.ca

December 2016

15 First Class Honours Scholarships Deadline Contact: Sherry Lu 613-862-7221 sherryludi@yahoo.ca

January 2017

- **6 First Class Honours Recital Application Deadline** Form available online. Contact: Meg Iwaskow 613-983-1266 megiwaskow@gmail.com
- **9 General Meeting** Coffee/tea ready for 9 a.m., Meeting 9:30 a.m. Ottawa Mennonite Church, 1830 Kilborn Ave., Ottawa. Used music sale and CD & DVD Library on display. Contact: Jennie Smith 613-260-9171 jenniesmithrmt@gmail.com
- 11 Variety Show Application Deadline Form available online. Contact: Danielle McIntyre 613-733-4911 jersak-pano@gmail.com
 - **14 Variety Show Auditions** 1-6:30 p.m. Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank St. Contact: Danielle McIntyre 613-733-4911 jersakpiano@gmail.com
 - **15 First Class Honours Auditions** 1-5 p.m. Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank St. Contact: Meg Iwaskow613-983-1266 megiwaskow@gmail.com

February 2017

- 4 Variety Show 1 p.m. City View United Church, 6 Epworth Ave. Contact: Danielle McIntyre 613-733-4911 jersakpiano@gmail.com
- **5 First Class Honours Recitals** Time TBA. City View United Church, 6 Epworth Ave. Contact: Meg Iwaskow 613-983-1266 megiwaskow@gmail.com
- 17 Professional Development Workshop with Nikki Loney. Contact: Olivia Riddell 613-680-2996 olivia@myc.com
- 25 Adult Student Workshop and Master Class with Catherine Donkin. Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank St. Contact: Ioulia Brechun, 613-836-2757 medbeach@yahoo.com
- **26 Piano Concerto Master Class** with Prof. David Jalbert 1-4 p.m. at Freiman Hall, Perez building, U of O. Contact: Katarina Jovic 613-261-7681 katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- **27 Information Sharing Session** with Elaine Keillor 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the home of Paulette Price, 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata. Contact: Paulette Price 613-592-6686 pauletteprice@rogers.com

March 2017

- 18 or 25 Adult Student Recital City View United Church. Contact: Ioulia Brechun, 613-836-2757 medbeach@yahoo.com
- **26 Voice Master Class** with Professor Christiane Riel 4 p.m.at Freiman Hall, Perez building, U of O. Contact: Katarina Jovic 613-261-7681 katarinamusic@sympatico.ca

May 2017

6-7 Competitions & Competitions Gala Patrick Cardy Studio, Carleton University. Contact: Katarina Jovic 613-261-7681

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NIAGARA FALLS Saturday • October 22 • 2:00 pm Victoria Ave Public Library 4848 Victoria Avenue

KANATA Saturday • October 29 • 7:00 pm Kanata United Church 33 Leacock Dr

WINDSOR Sunday • November 6 • 2:00 pm U of Windsor, School of Music 401 Sunset Ave



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