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President's Message by Amy Boyes

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Greetings,

I hope that the first month back to teaching was an enjoyable one! It is good to get back into the swing of things, and ORMTA has an exciting lineup of events to look forward to. Flip to the Calendar of Events or visit www.ormtaottawa.ca/events-by-date for full details.

During our General Meeting on September 10th, Council members shared their plans for the upcoming year. For students, we will be hosting two recitals, three master classes, Competitions, and participation in NAC's pre-concert activities for students. For teachers, three Information Sharing Sessions and a social evening are being planned. Minutes from the September General Meeting have been emailed, and I'm happy to mail a copy to anyone without email.

For October, here are things you should know:

On Friday, October 12th, our branch is hosting Juliana Krajčovič in the Young Artist recital. A talented soprano from Ottawa, Juliana is the student of local ORMTA member Yoriko Tanno Kimmons. Many thanks to Ottawa Pianos who are the official event sponsors for the evening. We appreciate Ottawa Pianos' ongoing support of our initiatives.

On October 21st, fellow Zone Representative, Susan Blyth-Schofield, will join me in Toronto for a Provincial Council meeting. It is our pleasure to represent the Ottawa Region Branch and we look forward to sharing the Summary of those

Meeting Minutes with you following the meeting.

October 31st is the deadline to apply to audition for the Canada Music Week Recital, held November 25th at City View United Church. Canada Music Week has been held annually since instituted by the Canadian Federation of Music Teachers' Association (CFMTA) in 1960. Consider having your students perform in Ottawa's contribution to this nation-wide event.

Check the calendar for details regarding the next Information Sharing Session and a Piano Master Class with Prof. David Jalbert, both in November.

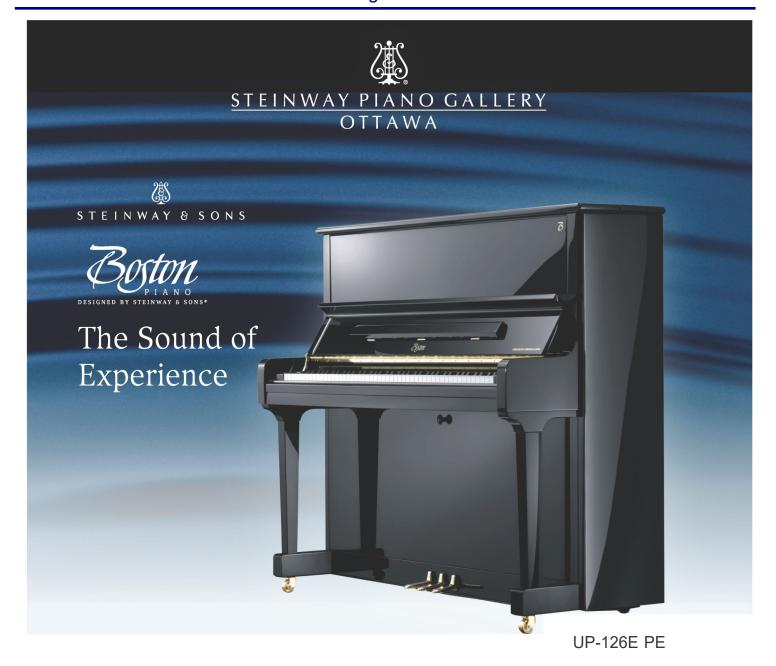
We are delighted to welcome new members Hai Huang, Soyoun Kim, Robyn Kuzell, Isabelle Lacroix, Sally Robinson and Maureen Young to our branch. We also congratulate Honorary Member Edith Orton on her fiftieth year as an ORMTA member. Congratulations Edith!

Looking forward to the New Year, our January General Meeting will be held on at 9:30 AM on January 28th, at Ottawa Mennonite Church. At this meeting, we will be doing something new: instead of Council voting on ORMTA Contribution to Teaching Award nominees in a Council meeting, we invite all of the membership to attend the meeting in person and vote for a recipient. See page 7 for more details.

In closing, I wish you an enjoyable Thanksgiving with family and friends. Enjoy the best of the season, taking time to enjoy the changing leaves, share good food, and make wonderful memories!

Happy Thanksgiving and happy teaching,

Amy Boyes



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General Meeting September 10, 2018

by Susan Blyth-Schofield, Convenor

Many thanks to the twentythree teachers who attended our Fall General Meeting at Resurrection Lutheran Church on Monday September 10th.

The meeting gave us all a chance to reconnect after the summer holidays, and to hear reports from Council Members about the many exciting events planned for the upcoming year.

We also held a draw for piano books and our winners

were Ann Babin, Kimberley Sundell and Wakana Kitamura.

Our two guest speakers were Tina Fedeski, who talked to us about the wonderful work that Orkidstra does in our community, and Sophie Reussner-Pazur, who told us about youth programming at the NAC and about opportunities for our students to take part in the Tunetown pre-concert events. Watch for further details from

Olivia Riddell about Tunetown in upcoming ORBits.

Many thanks to everyone who helped me set up and tear down the tables and chairs, and to those who brought table-ready snacks. Special thanks to Jennie Smith who set up the used music sale, the proceeds of which go to the ORMTA Scholarship Fund.





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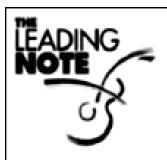
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2019 ORMTA Contribution to Teaching Award (OCTA)

by Amy Boyes, President

ORMTA has an abundance of members who dedicate much time and passion to teaching their students, helping this organization, and volunteering within their communities. It is with this spirit that the ORMTA recognizes these exceptional individuals on an annual basis with an ORMTA Contribution to Teaching Award (or OCTA, previously Special Teacher Award).

NEW EARLY DEADLINE:

summary of their contributions ORBit, and in Notes Magazine. and accomplishments to:

Amy Boyes, amyboyespianostudio@gmail.com by November ously awarded, visit 10th, 2018 so the nominee's name can be printed in the December/January ORBit.

NEW VOTING PROCESS:

on a recipient on January 28th at the General Meeting held at 9:30 AM at the Ottawa Mennon- been an ORMTA member for ite Church.

The recipient of the award Considerations: will be invited, with a guest, to • Ottawa Region Branch's General Meeting and Luncheon held in spring, and to the Provincial Convention's Award Lunch, held in July 2019 in Mis- • sissauga. Their biography will If you would like to nomi- be featured on our websites . nate a colleague, send a short (branch and provincial), in the

> For a list of those previwww.ormtaottawa.ca/recipientsand-criteria

Please consider the following The membership will vote when nominating a colleague: Criteria:

> A Nominee must have 10 years and cannot presently be on Council

- The nominee's contributions to teaching, to the community, to ORMTA and to other professional organizations.
- The nominee's educational pursuits.
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GENERAL MEETINGS occur in September, January and May. All the portfolio convenors report on their activity and members have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

ORMTA PROVINCIAL CONVENTIONS are two days of masterclasses, workshops, competitions, concerts, and a vendor show. The next convention will be held in September, 2020 in Niagara Falls.



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JUNIOR PIANO MASTER CLASS is an opportunity for young students (beginner to level 5) to perform and receive feedback from a clinician.

UNIVERSITY MASTER CLASSES provide opportunities for advanced students to perform for university professors and receive feedback.

NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE: TUNETOWN PRE-CONCERT CONCERTS are fun performance opportunities for ORMTA students. Hosted informally in the NAC lobby, these concerts feature a variety of ensembles and genres.



Information Sharing Session November 12, 2018

by Paulette Price, Convenor

Information Sharing Session on Monday, November 12th, 2018, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the home of Paulette Price, 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata

Topic: "Teaching Theory
Tips: Melody Writing, the Good,
the Bad, and the Ugly"
Presented by Lori-Lynn Penny

Melody writing is a creative activity, so anything goes –

right? Maybe not... Let's explore the components of a good melody and talk about teaching strategies that will work for you and your students.

Lori-Lynn presented this helpful and interactive workshop as a 45-minute session at the recent ORMTA convention in Ottawa. It was both great fun and thought-provoking. In our two-

hour session, Lori-Lynn will be able to lead us a little further down the melodic path! Bring a pencil.

To save your spot, email Paulette Price at pauletteprice@rogers.com

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Robyn Kuzell - Piano, Rudiments, Theory

Isabelle Lacroix - Singing, Violin

Sally Robinson - Piano

Maureen Young - Piano

Congratulations to:

Eric Bouchard, student of **Catherine Donkin**, who was awarded 2nd place, 15 years and under, Class 1 (solo instrument) in the CFM-TA National Student Composer Competition.

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Calendar of Events

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- **12 Young Artist Recital, featuring Juliana Krajčovič,** 7:00 p.m., Tabaret Hall, University of Ottawa.
- 31 Canada Music Week Recital Application Deadline Contact: Amélie Langlois amelielanglois@gmail.com

November

- 5 University Master Class (Piano) with Prof. David Jalbert Application Deadline Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- **10 Canada Music Week Recital Auditions** 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank St, Ottawa, ON. Contact: Amélie Langlois amelielanglois@gmail.com
- **12 Information Sharing Session** 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 13 Lismer Crescent, Kanata, ON. Topic: "Melody Writing: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" with Lori Lynn Penny Contact Paulette Price <u>pauletteprice@rogers.com</u>
- **25 University Master Class (Piano) with Prof. David Jalbert** 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Freiman Hall, Perez Building, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic <u>katarinamusic@sympatico.ca</u>
- **25 Canada Music Week Recital** 3:00 p.m. City View United Church, 6 Epworth Ave., Ottawa, ON. Contact: Amélie Langlois <u>amelielanglois@gmail.com</u>

December

15 First Class Honours Scholarships Application deadline Contact: Sherry Lu sherryludi@yahoo.ca

January 2019

- **14 First Class Honours Recital Application deadline** Contact: Paula Lin paula.w.lin@gmail.com
- **27 Strings Master Class** with Prof. Yahonatan Berick, Freiman Hall, University of Ottawa. Contact Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- **28 General Meeting** Coffee 9:15 a.m. Meeting 9:30 a.m. Voting on OCTA recipient. Contact: Susan Blyth-Schofield sblythschofield@yahoo.ca

February

- **3 Piano Master Class** with Prof. Andrew Tunis 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Freiman Hall, Perez Building, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic <u>katarinamusic@sympatico.ca</u>
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March

- **3 First Class Honours Recital** Details TBA. City View United Church, 6 Epworth Ave, Ottawa, ON. Contact: Paula Lin <u>paula.w.lin@gmail.com</u>
- **24 Piano Master Class** with Prof. Leopoldo Erice 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Freiman Hall, Perez Building, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic <u>katarinamusic@sympatico.ca</u>

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May

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- **26 Junior Piano Master Class** 2:00 p.m. Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank St, Ottawa, ON. Contact: Kimberley Sundell sundellpianostudio@gmail.com

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