

# OhioMTA Central East District

*Affiliated with Music Teachers National Association and Ohio Music Teachers Association*

Newsletter  
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## **President's Message**

Happy Fall! Our district has some wonderful student and teacher activities coming up this season. Please take note of the many ways to get involved locally, as well as put our state and national conferences on your radar!

--Rachel Mauricio Mills, NCTM

## **Student Activities**

### **Scale Olympics**

Scale Olympics is right around the corner! On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, over 300 students will participate this event at Otterbein University. The chairmen are still in need of volunteers – if you or one of your high school-aged students are interested in helping out, please contact Katherine Bede at 614-477-0827 or by e-mail ([katherinebede@gmail.com](mailto:katherinebede@gmail.com)).

--Katherine Bede  
Scale Olympics co-chair

### **Solo & Ensemble Recitals**

The next Student Solo and Ensemble Recital is scheduled for Sunday, November 6, 2016, at Graves Piano & Organ Co. Be sure to get your registrations and participation fees in by Thursday, October 27, 2016 (postmarked). The recitals are open to students of all members who have studied for at least one year. They are a great performance opportunity in a non-competitive setting for any well-prepared student, and the perfect chance for them to hear other fine students from our district.

Detailed information can be found on our website:

<http://www.ceomta.com/student-events/recitals-solo-ensemble>. Please contact Dr. Caroline B. Salido-Barta, chair, at 614-751-9665 or [thepianoartsstudio@yahoo.com](mailto:thepianoartsstudio@yahoo.com), for additional questions.

--Dr. Caroline Salido-Barta  
Solo & Ensemble Recitals Chair

### **Out & About**

Please see the website for details:  
[www.ceomta.org/student-events/out-and-about](http://www.ceomta.org/student-events/out-and-about)

### **Strings Workshop & Masterclass**

Please see the website for details:  
[www.ceomta.org/teacher-events/string-master-class](http://www.ceomta.org/teacher-events/string-master-class)

## Teacher Activities & News

### IMTF

The Fall Independent Music Teachers Forum will be held on Friday, October 7 at Mozart's Cafe (4784 North High Street, Columbus). We will meet at 9:30 a.m. to discuss lesson planning. Come and join the discussion, and bring any materials you use for lesson planning. Mozart's serves delicious pastries and breakfast beverages, so come early to purchase something before the meeting. Please RSVP to Susan Treer, IMTF chairman, for planning purposes [caribou06@sbcglobal.net](mailto:caribou06@sbcglobal.net).

--Susan Treer  
IMTF Chair

### Workshops

Please come to join our first piano workshop of this year:

#### **Piano Workshop with Steven Glaser Musical Solutions for Technical Problems**

Date: Thursday, October 20, 2016

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Location: Graves Piano & Organ Company Recital Hall

Free admission for OhioMTA members and non-members

For more details visit: [www.ceomta.org](http://www.ceomta.org)

--Dr. Gulimina Mahamuti, NTCM  
Piano Workshops Chair

### Certification

How often do you make time for YOURSELF and your professional development and continuing education? Take advantage of your membership dues through our many offerings, including becoming a National Certified Teacher of Music.

Every member not yet certified is cordially invited to come to a meeting on

**Monday, October 10 in the Graves Recital Hall from 10-Noon.**

Basic information about the national certification program will be given from 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. From 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Liz Atkinson will offer advice on using technology to video your playing and your teaching, and also how to use You Tube channels in your teaching. There are currently a dozen teachers engaged in the process of certification, but all OMTA teachers are invited to come learn more about the use of video technology.

Anyone can “hang up a shingle” and say they teach music. Jane Magrath, NCTM, puts it this way: “Music Teacher Certification through MTNA strengthens the music teaching profession by asserting the validity of teaching credentials in the public eye. What could be more important to preserve and announce?”

When our colleague Jenny Stadler earned her NCTM designation, she said, “Each certification standard addresses a different aspect of teaching, from lesson planning to

studio management. To get the most out of certification, I pursued a mentorship with an experienced teacher who had already been through the process. In working towards this credential I had to review materials I studied in college AND contemplate scenarios that I had not anticipated. The process challenged and inspired me. I am a better teacher because of it.”

Make time for yourself and take your teaching up a notch.

--Janice Cook, NTCM  
CEOMTA Certification Chairman  
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### **OhioMTA State Conference**

The State Conference will take place at Kent State University, November 3-5. Registration fees increase after October 14, so don't wait! The final day of the conference is "Bring a Friend" Day, and is free of charge to non-MTNA members. Please invite any prospective members who may be looking into the benefits of MTNA and OhioMTA membership. See [www.ohiomta.org/fall-2016.html](http://www.ohiomta.org/fall-2016.html) for more details.

### **MTNA National Conference**

The National Conference will take place in Baltimore, Maryland, March 18-22, 2017. Register by December 5<sup>th</sup> for the discounted rate! See [members.mtna.org/conference2017/index.html](http://members.mtna.org/conference2017/index.html) for more details.

### **Student Assistance Fund & Teacher Conference Assistance Fund**

Do you have a family facing some difficult financial circumstances and may have to drop piano lessons to make ends meet? Would you like to attend our State or National Conference but could use some financial assistance? OhioMTA Central East District may be able to provide help to you through our partnership with the Beverly A Rawles Fund for Music Education. You can find out more on our website at [www.ceomta.org](http://www.ceomta.org) under Student Assistance Fund or Conference Assistance Fund.

--Bruce Piper, NCTM  
Treasurer

### **Amazon Smile**

Just a reminder as we approach the holiday gift giving season, those of you who like to shop online at Amazon can follow a link on our website to Amazon which will allow our group to benefit from a donation. Simply go to [www.ceomta.org](http://www.ceomta.org). Click on the Support Us tab and you will find the link to Amazon Smile.

--Bruce Piper, NCTM  
Treasurer



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Welcome to these new and reinstating members!

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--Lee Ann Forgrave  
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