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The Newsletter of MAME

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President's Message

What a momentous first year MAME has had! While our Board has worked tirelessly to continue the offerings of MAPTA, MAME has also had some new initiatives, such as opening our membership to teachers of any instrument and applying for grants to support our non-profit mission.

You won't want to miss our final meeting of the 2018-19 year, which will be held Friday May 10, 9:30am at [Heid Music](#). MAME will be bringing in Psychiatrist David Mays who will help us navigate issues related to mental health in the music studio. Please look for announcements from Hospitality Chair Alena Harrison Eales regarding food at the May general meeting (thank you Alena!). After the program, Board members will present their end of year reports. I look forward to connecting with each of you on May 10.

Your board is in the planning stages of the 2019-20 year. We are striving to offer events to enrich your teaching and to inspire your students. We welcome everyone's participation, and I'd like to extend an invitation to become involved with one of our committees. MAME is only as strong as its members so please be in touch if you can help out.

Thanks for a great first year, I look forward to many more!

[Denise Taylor](#)

MAME President



Upcoming MAME Program: "Ask the Psychiatrist: Mental Health and the Music Teacher"

Date: Friday, May 10, 9:30-11:30am

Venue: Heid Music, [7948 Tree Ln, Madison, WI 53717](#)

Presenter: David Mays, M.D., Ph.D

Description: Psychiatrist David Mays will brief attendees on reporting requirements for suspected cases of abuse they see in their students, and then there will be an open Q&A on mental health related questions.

[David Barach](#)

Food and Fun for the May Meetings from Hospitality:

MAPTA had a long-standing tradition of a sit-down brunch at its annual May meeting. In this spirit but updated for busy schedules, MAME is looking for people to bring treats to our May 10 general meeting. Please contact Alena Harrison Eales at Alena.harrison@gmail.com or 608-695-6705 if you would like to bring something.

For the MAME Board: Following the May 17 Board Meeting we will be having a dutch-treat lunch at the new [MOD Pizza](#) (located at the northwest corner of Mineral Point Road and Gammon Road). Please RSVP to [Alena Harrison](#)

[Eales](#) if you can attend the luncheon.

[Alena Harrison Eales](#)

Music Composition Festival

MAME teachers are invited to participate in our last composer festival session of the season on Saturday, May 11 from 4:00-5:00 pm. Please [email Shad](#) if you are interested in joining your student at this session. I know it's a chore to motivate your student to notate, so I have some tips and tricks to make this manageable. We will work on a completed notation of a score, with the goal of preparing for the State WMTA Composition Festival.

Any student may enter the state festival. Deadline is a June 16, 2019 USPS postmark. Please click on the following link for details:

<https://www.wisconsinmusicteachers.com/student-events/competition-for-young-composers>. Fee is \$20 for a MAME student, or \$100 for a non-WMTA student. Please review, as the rules are quite specific and thorough, but I'm happy to help you navigate the state festival as well.

There is no fee to join me at my studio for the Madison local composer notation workshop; however, if you wish to enter the state competition there is a fee.

[Shad Wenzlaff](#)

Performers Play Together Update

October is right around the corner which means every MAME and non-MAME instructor has an excellent opportunity to plan and partake in the awesome Performers Play Together (PPT)!

Rehearsals/Performance Dates

- **First Rehearsal:** Sunday, October 13, in the early afternoon at [Heid Music](#)
- **Dress Rehearsal:** Saturday, October 19, 9:00-4:00pm at [Mitby Theater, Madison College](#)
- **PPT Performance:** Sunday, October 20, 2:00-3:30pm at [Mitby Theater, Madison College](#)

All rehearsals are MANDATORY. Students or teachers missing any rehearsal will not be permitted to perform. There are no refunds.

Registration Dates/Fees

- **Pre-Registration** (no payment): Postmarked by June 27 (Click [HERE](#) for the Pre-Registration Form.)
- **Priority Registration** with payment: Postmarked by August 29 (Click [HERE](#) for the Final Registration Form)
 - Cost per MAME student: \$25
 - Cost per non-MAME student: \$35
- **Final Call Registration:** Postmarked by September 19
 - Late Registration Fee for MAME student: \$35. (Applies to registration forms received after August 29.)
 - Late Registration Fee for non-MAME student: \$40. (Applies to registration forms received after August 29.)

Volunteer Tasks

Volunteer tasks are MANDATORY for participating instructors. Teachers who miss a volunteer task will not be permitted to perform/participate. Click [HERE](#) for the Volunteer Form.

The Benefits of Participation in the PPT

- Ensemble work makes practice more fun!
- Students learn how to follow a leader by watching a conductor.
- Students and teachers develop friendships which are priceless!

Repertoire List

Our theme is “Music We Love” and the list couldn’t be more student friendly/popular! Please download the list by clicking [HERE](#). Heid Music will have a folder of this music for review in a 3-ring binder. We will email everyone once the binder is ready to be viewed. Please remember that Ward Brodt may also be used to order music.

Exciting Twists!

We are featuring soloists this year. Students interested in *Fur Elise*, the *Lady Gaga Fugue*, and possibly other pieces, may have an opportunity to be featured at PPT 2019. If we receive several inquiries, we’ll hold an audition.

Featured performers will be expected to be polished by the first rehearsal on October 13.

[Lana Robotewskyj](#), [Debbie Yee](#) and [Shad Wenzlaff](#), PPT Committee Chairs

Membership News

By now everyone should have received a notice by email and/or a printed renewal form from MTNA. If you have not, please make sure to contact [Debbie Yee](#).

When you renew, whether online or by mail, be sure membership in your “local association” (=MAME) is selected. This should automatically happen for renewing members, and there is no need for additional paper work.

In order to guarantee inclusion in the 2019-2020 directory, *you must renew with MTNA by June 30.*

I will personally contact patron members to provide instructions for renewing as a patron member in MAME. (Patron members support MAME but cannot enter students into MAME events.) If you wish to change your membership from patron to active, please let me know so that I can help you.

Again, if you have any problems or concerns with your renewal, please make sure to contact me.

[Debbie Yee](#)

Membership Update

Please update your directory with the following change:

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:

Elizabeth Agard (lz.1pianocat@att.net)

Board Meeting Minutes

Are you curious about what happens at our board and/or general meetings? Please click [here](#) and [here](#) to check out our most recent general meeting and board meeting minutes.

[Ben Garber](#)

Additional MAME Resources

Make sure to like and follow us on our [Facebook page](#), and check out our [website](#) and [Google calendar](#):

[Mickey Lytle](#)



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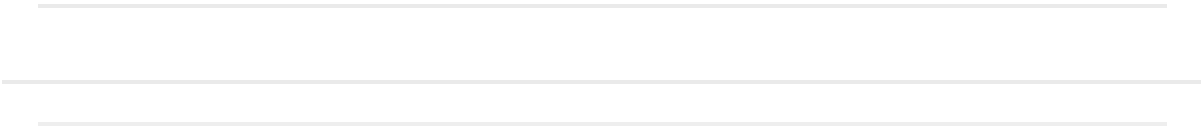
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