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Editor's Message

Greetings to all the Eugene District members. I am filling in this month, as our President, Delores Tiktin is away travelling.

Our October meeting looks to be an informative and enjoyable one! We will meet at the Eugene Piano Academy (507 Willamette St, Eugene) to hear a presentation on the Harmony Road teaching method given by our own Susane Reis. The founder of Harmony Road, Jan Keyser, will be appearing as a special guest to aid in the presentation! Susane's talk will include information on the Harmony Road approach as well as demonstrations of the techniques she uses in her studio.

Join us at 9:00 for a wonderful morning of sharing, learning and connecting (and great refreshments, too)!

Musically yours,

Neil Patton

Con Brio Editor

Festival of Popular Music

Sunday, October 28th; Beginning at 2:00 on the hour

United Lutheran Church 2230 Washington St., Eugene (Corner of 22nd and Washington)

Deadline for entries: Friday, October 12: send to

Soria Phillips-Meadow 2449 Harris St. Eugene, OR 97405

Student Fee: \$7

I look forward to seeing all of you soon at the Festival of Popular Music! Please call or e-mail me if you have any questions. If you're concerned about the deadline, please contact me. It's possible that you could send or drop off your forms and then make necessary changes later. Don't let the early deadline keep you from participating!

This is a wonderful recital for Level 1 students providing it is not their first recital and they are comfortable with recital etiquette. I will e-mail all the teachers with performance times and a copy of the program to proof as soon as they are ready. A couple of quick reminders for everyone: Please review the dress code with your parents and students, and as always photocopies are not allowed.

I'm looking forward to spending another afternoon together filled with beautiful music.
See you on October 28th!

Soria Phillips-Meadow

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Ensemble Festival, 2012

The Ensemble Festival will be taking place on Sunday, November 18 at 1:00pm. The recital will be held in room 163 at the University of Oregon, School of Music and Dance. This year we have the privilege of having two pianos available for the ensembles. The cost will be \$10.00 per student; this fee does not apply to friends, relatives, or teachers that will be performing. All ensembles will be adjudicated, though students can choose to be in competitive or non-competitive groups. Music for one piano (4-hands), two-pianos, ensemble repertoire (from any style or period), transcriptions, and original concerto repertoire may be performed.

Please read the [OMTA state guidelines](#) for the competitive groups. The non-competitive groups may perform with vocalists or instrumentalists of any age but at least one person in the group must be studying with an OMTA member. Teachers will be given fifteen minutes per 45-minute recital and there is an eight-minute time limit on performances. Exceptions may be made for advanced students. This year the adjudicator will be the talented Svetlana Kotova, a doctoral candidate studying under Dean Kramer. Please be prepared to have an original score for the ensemble, as well as the adjudicator.

Ensembles that go on to the State Festival will need to choose their date preference immediate after the recital as I will have to mail the submissions that following Monday. The deadline to register for the recital is 5:00pm on Friday, November 2, 2012. Feel free to call or email me with any questions!

Sincerely,

Susane Reis

Ensemble Festival Chair

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The deadline for submitting articles and announcements for the November 2012 issue of Con Brio is Saturday, October 27, 2012.

Send your news and announcements to district members between regular issues of Con Brio!

Simply submit the news item or announcement as usual, indicating you would like it sent immediately. It will be formatted and sent via email to all members.

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Neil Patton, editor