

Oregon Music Teachers' Association, Inc. Eugene District

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#### Eugene District Meeting - February 13th

Our February meeting will take place at Fern McArthur's home, 2128 Elysium Ave., Eugene. Please join us at 9 AM for a social time and refreshments. After our social time we will have a business meeting and then a presentation by Fern on "Making the Most of Your Membership". Fern is the current OMTA state president. Come listen to the ideas she has about your membership in OMTA.

### Looking ahead - Eugene District Meeting -March 12th

Guest Speaker: Margaret Littlehales presenting "Choosing Student Repertoire: A Pedagogical Wheel of Fortune"

We look forward to seeing you!

Delores Tiktin

Vice-President and Program Chair

## **Spring District Recital**

Date: Sunday, March 18, 2012

Times: Recitals will be scheduled on the hour, depending on how many entries we have.

Place: United Lutheran Church, Eugene

Fee: \$7.00 per recital for each OMTA student.

Deadline: Friday, March 2, 2012. Recitals are filled on a first-come basis. Since forms must be received by

the Saturday deadline, all materials must be in the mail by Thursday.

Please mail entry forms to:

Jean Wilson

860 E. 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave.

Eugene, OR 97405

OR: bring your fees and entry form to the District meeting on Monday, Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. Please let Jean know at the meeting if you will be having a student playing in the Spring District Recital.

Thank you,

Jean Wilson

**Event Chair** 

Dear Colleagues,

Spring syllabus time request forms are due Monday, February 13. You can find this form on Eugene OMTA website.

Please send them to:

Lucy Clevenger 1142 Brookside Dr Eugene 97405.

Lucy Clevenger Syllabus chair

# **OMTA Composition Workshop and Festival**

New deadline for composition entries is Saturday, March 17, 2012!

The Composition Workshop was held on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the Eugene Piano Academy. Seven students representing 5 studios were enrolled in the elementary workshop. Students brainstormed ideas for compositions and explored ways to portray those ideas in sound. Sample titles were "Dragons", "Snowflakes Falling", and "High and Low." Each student began a composition by creating question and answer phrases, and left the workshop with ideas on how to harmonize and vary them.

Please note: It was decided at the January meeting to *extend the deadline for entries* until **Saturday, March 17**, giving students an extra month to complete an original composition. This means that the District Event will now take place sometime in April (place and time TBA) instead of March. See the updated website for details.

Ellen McQuilkin Composition Festival Chair

The deadline for submitting articles and announcements for the March 2012 issue of Con Brio is Saturday, March 3, 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.

# Con Brio

#### February 2012

Con Brio is the newsletter of the Eugene Chapter of OMTA, published and distributed monthly, except July and August.

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