

Ka Leo Na Mele



Photo above: HMTA Presidents past and present:
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STUDENT RECITALS

HMTA will once again be offering student recitals beginning in October. Following are the details for our upcoming recital.

- When: Saturday, October 31st, 2009
- Where: UH Manoa, Room 36
- Time: 2pm - 3pm
- Deadline to submit students: October 17, 2009
- **Student Recital Chairperson: Elaine Lu**
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Letter from the President

Teaching - what a noble profession. It is not without its rewards and challenges. During these times of economic uncertainty, we must continue to be creative entrepreneurs, faithful and constant musical guides and mentors, and underscore the fact that students learn more than music in their lessons. The values of discipline, focus, and perseverance certainly spill over into all areas and attitudes in life. We, as teachers, invest in the future! Here are a few inspirational quotes about teaching...

A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.

-Henry Brooks Adams

A teacher is one who makes himself progressively unnecessary.

-Thomas Carruthers

Good teaching is one-fourth preparation and three-fourths theater.

-Gail Godwin.

Teaching is leaving a vestige of one self in the development of another. And surely the student is a bank where you can deposit your most precious treasures. -Eugene P. Bertin.

The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book.

-Author Unknown.

In teaching you cannot see the fruit of a day's work. It is invisible and remains so, maybe for twenty years. -Jacques Barzun.

I hope that your summer has been good and I invite you to gear up for fall. The HMTA will host a member's round table and luncheon on Tuesday, September 1 at the Waiialae Country Club. We will also be sharing ideas on how to "recession-proof" your studio. (Please see the flyer for more details.) Lastly, the HMTA and MTNA competition application deadline is coming up - September 8th. (You can find the state information and application forms on our website - www.hmta.org.) Don't forget to renew your MTNA membership in order to participate in the upcoming events! Remember your dues are a simple and necessary way to invest in your career and our noble profession.

With aloha,
Helen Chao-Casano

- Teachers may submit any number of students with a maximum total of 15 minutes playing time.
- \$3 per student participation fee. Make checks payable to HMTA and give checks to the Student Recital chairperson.
- Teachers must provide program information via e-mail to the Student Recital chairperson 2 weeks before the scheduled recital.
- A reception will follow the recital. Students/families will bring reception items and food. The Student Recital chair will coordinate specifics with each teacher, who will in turn coordinate with their students.

MEMBER NEWS

Pianist **Grace Nikae**, a former student of *Ann Tanabe (piano)*, will present a recital in support of educational outreach programs by The Renaissance Academy, founded in Hawaii by her family 10 years ago.



Photo: Grace Nikae

- Honolulu Academy of Arts, Doris Duke Theatre
- Saturday, August 15 at 7:30pm
- \$25 adults, \$20 seniors, \$10 students with ID
- For tickets call 532-8700

The program: Mozart: Fantasy in C minor, K. 475; Beethoven: Bagatelles Op. 119; Ravel: Sonatine; Debussy: L'Isle Joyeuse, and Chopin: Sonata No. 3.

Another former student of *Ann Tanabe*, **Jennifer Lai**, who represented Hawaii at the MTNA Southwest Division Yamaha Competition in Las Vegas, continues to make beautiful music. She recently was the featured soloist in the MIT "Tech Night at the Pops" Concert and performed Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue with the Boston Pops with conductor Keith Lockhart at Symphony Hall in Boston on June 4th. Since going to MIT, Jennifer has studied piano with David Deveau as a participant in the Emerson Scholarship Program for Music Studies and has performed numerous solo and chamber music programs at the Institute. In May 2008, she appeared as piano soloist with the MIT Symphony Orchestra. Jennifer is pursuing a degree in biological engineering and a minor in music.

Calendar

August 15, 2009

Grace Nikae, pianist
Doris Duke Theatre,
Honolulu Academy of Arts
see article at left

September 1, 2009

HMTA Round Table & Luncheon
Waialae Country Club
see flyer for details

November 7-15, 2009

HMTA Convention
save the date!

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