

Hello Charlotte MTA Members,

I trust many of you enjoyed informative sessions, engaging performances, and good fellowship at the recent 64th Annual NCMTA Conference held at UNC-Greensboro. Everyone was delighted to meet again in person after two years of virtual conferences due to Covid restrictions.

The application deadline for **Charlotte MTA's student composition event "Does a Beethoven Live in Charlotte?"** is Wednesday, November 2, 2022. *See attachments for application form and complete rules.*

The event culminates in a student composition recital on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at Steinway Piano Gallery. Direct questions to event chair Diane Higgins [dwhiggins@carolina.rr.com](mailto:dwhiggins@carolina.rr.com)

**UNC-Greensboro's annual High School Keyboard Day** is moving from January to November this season. The new date is Saturday, November 5, 2022. ***See attached flyer.***

<https://vpa.uncg.edu/music/keyboard-day/> The 13th annual High School Keyboard Day is for keyboard students who may be considering to be a keyboard major in college. Participants will have the opportunity to meet faculty and interact with other keyboard students in a collaborative, engaging day on UNCG's dynamic campus.

Registration is \$20 and can be paid online. This includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day. Register online at <https://vpa.uncg.edu/music/keyboard-day/>. Questions? Email Dr. Annie Jeng [ajjeng@uncg.edu](mailto:ajjeng@uncg.edu)

**Charlotte District NCMTA Piano Performance Festival** date is Saturday, March 4, 2023 — ***the event will be held in person*** after two years of Covid restrictions moving the festival online.

Regulations and repertoire lists can be found online at <https://ncmta.org/student-events/piano-performance-festival/>

Keep watching for registration deadline (TBD) and more details online at <https://ncmta.org/student-events/piano-performance-festival/> as they become available.

Students in the upper divisions of each NCMTA District PPF who receive marks of Highest Honors will advance to the NCMTA State Level Piano Performance Festival.

NCMTA State-West Piano Performance Festival date and deadline are TBD. Check <https://ncmta.org/student-events/piano-performance-festival/> for more information as it becomes available.

Anyone interested in the process of **national professional certification through MTNA** should contact our state chair Susan Lynch, NCTM (she is here in Charlotte!) at [certification@ncmta.org](mailto:certification@ncmta.org)

The certification program is based on a set of five standards defining what a competent music teacher should know and be able to do. Upon fulfillment of these standards, applicants are granted MTNA professional certification with the designation Nationally Certified Teacher of Music (NCTM). To maintain the MTNA Professional Certification credential and designation, the NCTM must continue fulfilling the program's standards through the renewal process.

The **MTNA National Conference** will be March 25-29, 2023 in Reno, Nevada. <https://www.mtna.org/>

Best regards,  
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