

2024 MMTA Annual Convention Schedule (4/16)

Sunday June 2 2024

Time	The Sanctuary (Grand)	Ballroom Foyer	Exhibits	
12:00 - 3:30 PM	***	***	Exhibitor Set-up	Space for - Schmitt Music
3:30 - 4:30 PM	Member Concert	Registration Open 3:00 - 7:30 PM	Exhibits Open (Optional) 3:30 - 7:30 PM	
4:30 - 6:00 PM	Out Door BBQ Dinner with The Metro Brass Quintet			Space for - MMTA Foundation
6:00 - 7:00 PM				
7:30 - 9:00 PM	MMTA Foundation Award Winners Recital	***	***	

Monday June 3 2024

Time	The Sanctuary (TWO Grands)	The Chapel (Grand)	Choir Room (Grand)	Multi-Purpose South (Grand)
7:30 - 8:30	Breakfast at the Dining Area			
8:00 - 8:45	Exhibition Shopping (45min)			
8:45 - 9:35	President's Welcome (8:45-8:55) Keynote Opening Session: The Pursuit of Perfection, The Achievement of Excellence - Angela Cheng & Alvin Chow	***	***	***
9:35 - 10:25		***	***	***
10:25 - 11:00	Break / Shopping (35min)			
11:00 - 11:50	Sue Ruby ~ The French Connection	Music Bridges Showcase	11:00 Mitch Grussing - I come from a long line of eccentrics: A brief introduction to the music of Mitch Grussing 11:30 Rebekah Richards - Linking Meter and Rhythm via the Conductor's Baton	Mary Beth Millner- Piano Exam Preparation
11:50 - 1:15	Lunch/ Shopping (85min)			
1:15 - 2:05	Amy Grinsteiner- Beyond Contest	Rebekah Richards-That's a lot easier than it sounds!	1:15 Caroline Langfeld - Piano Solo Festival 1:45 Dr. Yumiko Oshima-Ryan - Introducing Improvising Skills with "Musica Nara for Piano" (2005 composition by Minako Tokuyama) - A New Teaching Approach for Classically Trained Pianists	Sue Freeman Dopp - PIANO SHOPPING 101: Your Guide to Finding the Perfect Piano!
2:15 - 3:05	Stella Branzburg Sick & George Frederick Litterst ~ Shall We Dance?	John Cheek - Give me a Minute, 24 Short Piano Pieces in Every Key	Brian J. Felsen - Protect Your Hearing in Less Time Than It Takes to Damage It	Sondra Howe- Downsizing your home
3:05- 4:00	Break / Shopping (35min)			
4:00 - 4:50	Gail Olszewski-American Women Composers of Ragtime- a Sampler	Kathryn Karg- How to incorporate piano duets in ensemble playing in your studio	Sonja Graham- The SMART Approach	Beyond the Critiques; Benefits of Being an MMTA Judge - JEC Committee Judge Education Committee
5:00 - 6:00	Cocktail Hour (cash bar)			
6:00 - 7:30	Dinner at the Dining Area			
07:30	Duo Piano Concert - Angela Cheng & Alvin Chow			

Tuesday June 4 2024

Time	The Sanctuary (TWO Grands)	The Chapel (Grand)	Choir Room (Grand)	Multi-Purpose South (Grand)
7:30 - 8:30	Breakfast (7:30 - 8:30)			
8:30 - 9:30	MMTA Annual Meeting			
9:30 - 10:00	Break / Shopping (30min)			
10:00 - 10:50	Joint Piano Master Class - Angela Cheng & Alvin Chow 10:00 - 11:30	***	Lori Fiechtner McCauley ~ New Voice Syllabus & Exam Testing Requirements	Contest Committee - President / Caroline Langfeld / SAs
11:00 - 11:50		***	11:00 Katie Johnson - MMTA Voice and Instrumental Programs overview 11:30 Gene Swanson - Backing track	Logan Sand - Pronouns, Gender Reveal Parties, and "The Surgery": Debunking Common Myths about Gender Diversity
11:50 - 1:15	Lunch/ Shopping (85min)			
1:15 - 2:05	Mary Newton-So You Have Been Asked to Play the Organ: A Guide For Pianists	Sarah McCaffrey Ritchie-Guiding our youngest learners	1:15 Mitch Grussing - Minnesota's newest online pedagogical music marketplace 1:45 Sue Ruby - One-Hit Wonders By Wonder Women	Piano Exam Development Committee-A Sneak Peek to the 2023 Syllabus: Etudes to Supplement Teaching
2:15 - 3:05	Dr. Sara Langmead-Out of the Ordinary	Sharon Kaplan - Composition, Interpretation & Education - go together like the horse and carriage	Mary Goetz & Lorna Wolthoff - Beyond the Duet: Incorporating mixed ensembles in the piano studio	Judging Keyboard Theory Exams Levels 1-4 - Theory Development Committee and the Judges Education
3:05- 4:00	Break / Shopping (35min)			
4:00 - 4:50	Suzanne Greer- The Magic of Pedals	Guitar Masterclass - Austin Wahl	Michael Rector- Scores! What are they good for?	Mitch Grussing- ADHD Beyond the Behaviors
4:00 - 4:50	Site-Administrator Meeting - (1) President, (2) VP-Education, (3) Program directors (theory, piano, sight playing, bridges), (4) Site administrators, and (5) office staffm - Will be schedule in the meeting room(no piano)			

See You Next Year