



Treasure Coast Music Teachers
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Pictured in front row (from left) are Sandra Palter, Shazkya Fernandez, Dina Jamai, Alaina Bulson, Claudia Peng, Zuyi Zhao, Gregory Fedele, Shadalou Fernandez, Lindsey Morgano, Derek Tsang, Victoria Tsang, Julia Vitale, Cindy Kessler and Marianne Mills. In second row are Frank Quintana, Lauren Ellenberger, Savanna Webber, Michael McBride, Sarah Stewart, Emily Vitale and Lynn Haynes.

2014 Honors Recital

Treasure Coast Music Teachers Association presented its annual Honors Recital on Saturday, March 15, at St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Port St. Lucie.

*Congratulations to
all of the students
who performed in
the 2014 Honors
Recital!*

The student performers included Derek Tsang, Lindsey Morgano, Shadalou Fernandez, Victoria Tsang, Alaina Bulson, Dina Jamai, Julia Vitale, Frank Quintana, Gregory Fedele, Zuyi Zhao, Sarah Stewart, Michael McBride, Al Lauren Ellenberger, Claudia Peng, and Savanna Webber. The students were from the studios of Cindy Kessler, Lynn Haynes, Marianne Mills, Shazkya Fernandez, Sandra Palter, and Rita dePetris Vallis.

Checks for the 2014 TCMTA senior scholarships were presented to the graduating seniors. The recipients were Michael McBride, Kelsey Pena, Rebecca Peng, Sarah Stewart, and Emily Vitale. They are all students of TCMTA members and have participated in numerous musical activities including the annual Music-Thon for charity. In addition, the seniors have received special awards, achievements, and honors.

A Message from the President

What an exciting and productive year it has been for Treasure Coast Music Teachers Association! The "Meet & Greet" which was held on September 15th at the Stuart School of Music gave old and new members a chance to socialize and exchange ideas. FSMTA District 6 held a One-Day Conference on October 19th at St. Mary Magdalene Church in Coral Springs. Among the topics were reading chord charts, preparing students for competitions and informative lectures. That evening Jonah Kim, celebrated cellist, and Tao Lin, renowned pianist, performed in concert. On October 20th, Susan Knapp Thomas presented an extraordinary Harp Concert at Immanuel Lutheran Church to an enthusiastic audience. The 79th Annual FSMTA Conference was held November 6-9th in Jacksonville. I was pleased to present the "Independent Music Teachers Forum" on Strategies for Successful Teaching with top-notch assistance from TCMTA member, Marianne Mills. The annual TCMTA Music-Thon at the Treasure Coast Mall on December 7th presented students from 10 studios and raised approximately \$4,000. From these funds TCMTA was proud to donate \$3,000 to Children's Emergency Resources, Inc. TCMTA members Luanne Dwyer, pianist, & Laura Mozena, violinist, presented a superb concert in memory of Helen Berlin in Palm City on January 18th. The annual TCMTA Honors Recital was held on March 15th at St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Port St. Lucie with 16 students performing. Five graduating seniors were presented with TCMTA Senior Scholarship Awards.

The final event of the year will be "The Magic of Mozart" concert on Sunday, April 27th at 2:00pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Palm City. Luanne Dwyer, Event Chairman, has done a fabulous job of organizing and planning this concert. There are 14 teachers and students on the program which promises to be exciting. Please come!

I am delighted to announce that TCMTA has been awarded a grant from Women Supporting the Arts, a program of the Arts Foundation of Martin County. As a result, the board has approved a Concert & Master Class by Gareth Johnson, Violinist, and Tao Lin, Pianist. It will be in the auditorium of the Blake Library on September 27th at 2:00pm.

TCMTA has secured Saturday, December 6th at the Treasure Coast Square Mall for the 2014 Music-Thon.

Many, many thanks to the TCMTA board members for their dedicated and committed work this year - Maribel Soriano, Sandra Palter & Marianne Mills!

-Cindy Kessler, FSCTM, NCTM

The Magic Of Mozart

The Treasure Coast Music Teachers Association will be presenting an afternoon of Mozart on Sunday, April 27th at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Port St. Lucie. The concert will begin at 2:00 pm.

The Magic of Mozart will consist of a diverse program, including presentations by violin, flute, clarinet, voice, piano, and piano duet. These selections will be performed by students and teachers affiliated with TCMTA.

Luanne Dwyer is the chairman of this event, and has put together an incredible program. This will be a performance that you do not want to miss!