



Newsletter of the Peoria Area Music Teachers Association

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NOVEMBER MEETING

November 27, 2017, 10am
Studio Policies

Piano Network, 4640 N Brandywine Dr., Peoria

Results of the Studio Policies survey, presentation of different viewpoints of what a Studio Policy should contain, discussion

Congratulations to Philippa Williams PAMTA Member of the Year

Philippa Williams has been an independent music teacher since moving to the Peoria Area in 2001 and has worked as an accompanist and church pianist since 1976. For several years Philippa serve as a staff accompanist for the Illinois Wesleyan University cello camp. She began her studies in England with the Royal Conservatory of Music program and then at the age of nine moved to USA and continued her lessons in Michigan. She studied with Adelaide Banaszynski at the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music. Philippa also plays the violin. She has been an active member of PAMTA serving as President, committee member of the Sonatina Festival several times, and also helping with Monster Concerts. Currently she is on the board of PAMTA serving as Past President. Philippa has entered students in ISMTA AIM exams, Monster Concerts, ISMTA piano competitions, camp scholarship competitions and PAMTA recitals. She volunteers at many of these events and regularly attends the PAMTA meetings. Philippa says, "I am very thankful for PAMTA and ISMTA which are great places to make musical friends.

They are a wonderful resource of musical knowledge and ideas and have been a great encouragement to me." Philippa and her husband Barry enjoy hosting musicians from out of town that play with the Heartland Festival Orchestra which includes their daughter, cellist Charlotte Williams Muir. When not busy with musical activities Philippa enjoys international travel with her husband, and needlework. She is past president of the Illinois Prairie chapter of the American Needlework Guild and has been Treasurer of the Peoria Area Stitchers Guild.



Philippa Williams, accepting award from
Deb Lynch, ISMTA VP, Local Associations
ISMTA Conference, 2017

**Congratulations, Philippa, and thank you
for your years of dedicated service!**

AIM Theory Exams November 18 & 19

94 students participated in the AIM Theory Exams this weekend.
Thank you to AIM Coordinator Pam Eyerly!

The top scores were:

101:	One, in Level 3
100:	Five, in Levels 3, 4, 5, 6, 8
99.5:	Two, in Levels 7, 8
99:	One, in Level 4
98.5:	Three, in Levels 3, 8, 10
98:	Five, Two in Level 3, One in Level 4, Two in Level 8

The three Level 2 students who participated averaged 41.66 out of a possible 44 (94.68%)!

The overall average score for the 91 students in Level 3 and above was 92.21!

Congratulations to all the students who participated, and to their teachers!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Angela Mitchell-Simonson
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Accompanying, History, Pedagogy
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Please add this information to your yearbook.

**Photos from ISMTA Conference
Olivet Nazarene University
November 2-4, 2017**

Banquet Entertainment



**Rebecca Gebbink, Jon Orfe,
Chee-Hyeon Choi, Rosa Chang**



**2017 ISMTA
Annual Banquet**

Local Association Members of the Year
Chicago Area: Kristine Konrad & Mary Clare Barker
Decatur Area: Pei-I Wang
Egyptian: Ruth Snowman
Gateway Arch East: Joseph Welch
Greater Rockford: Marilyn Cade
Naperville: Jane Brueggemann
North Shore: Dawn Johnson & George Radosavljevic
Northwest Suburban: Justyna Weirich
Peoria Area: Philippa Williams
Salt Creek: Ruth Hursh
West Suburban: Diane Lindsay

Service to ISMTA Awardee
Marilyn Cade: 50 years

ISMTA Teacher of the Year
Jennifer Cohen

ISMTA Fellow
Ludmila Lazar

October Meeting Minutes

PAMTA GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 23rd 2017

Our general PAMTA meeting was held at Piano Network on Brandywine. We had 16 in attendance with a guest speaker named Jeff McSweeney from Youth Music Illinois.

Rosa opened the meeting with minutes read from the last month's meeting. Secretary report was approved. Treasurer report was read and approved.

Jeff McSweeney introduced himself as the Director of the Youth Music Illinois. He wanted to let people know about the work the youth symphony was doing and how much he appreciated the work of our PAMTA group did working with students and helping them learn music. He really enjoyed meeting everyone.

The sheet to sign up for Bass Pro for Christmas music was sent around for our members to sign up.

The State Conference at Olivet was discussed and we encouraged our members to attend.

There will be a survey done by Pam Dunlap on Studio Policies and we can participate in this.

Meeting was adjourned so we could get to the program of MONSTER CONCERT music.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Conroy, Secretary

NEW MUSIC TERMS:

ALLEREGRETTO: When you're 16 measures into the piece and suddenly realize you set too fast a tempo

ANGUS DEI: To play with a divinely beefy tone

APOLOGGIATURA: A composition that you regret playing

APPROXIMATURA: A series of notes not intended by the composer, yet played with an "I meant to do that" attitude

APPROXIMENTO: A musical entrance that is somewhere in the vicinity of the correct pitch

DILL PICCOLINI: An exceedingly small wind instrument that plays only sour notes

FERMANTRA: A note held over and over and over and...

FIDDLER CRABS: Grumpy string players

FLUTE FLIES: Those tiny insects that bother musicians on outdoor gigs

FRUGALHORN: A sensible and inexpensive brass instrument

GAUL BLADDER: A French horn player

GREGORIAN CHAMP: The title bestowed upon the monk who can hold a note the longest

PLACEBO DOMINGO: A faux tenor

SPRITZICATO: An indication to string instruments to produce a bright and bubbly tone

TEMPO TANTRUM: What an elementary school orchestra is having when it's not following the conductor

For Sale: Kawai KG-2E 5'10", made in 1991. It's in very good shape. The asking price is \$6500.00 (does not include the lamp). The piano has done very well in their house, partly because they have a fish tank that adds some humidity to the air in the winter. :-)

The owner is Nancy Sowards of Peoria. Phone number: (309) 360-1797.

