**Parent/Student Hand Out - Ensembles**

**Parent Information:**

This is a TMTA-S.A. Program. The purpose of this activity is to give the beginner, intermediate, and advanced piano student a unique opportunity to perform in ensemble, perform in a large venue, and advance their own personal performance art.

***\*Only students who have passed the theory test are eligible to participate in this activity.***

*Ensemble duets must be memorized. An entrance examination will be held the first weekend of April. Students that don't pass the entrance examination will be disqualified. The registration fee will not be refunded.*

Your child is required to attend 4-6 rehearsals. These rehearsals will take place in a place of business. Please arrange to drop your child off and pick them back up on time. We are unable to have children waiting around before or after their group time.

All communication regarding these rehearsals and all other details will be sent to you by email.

Each ensemble group will choose a costume for their performance. Details about the costumes, and measurements will be taken at the first or second rehearsal. The cost of costumes will be covered by Bluebonnet MTA .

**Registration:**

Registration fee is $35. Your child’s registration for the convention is included in the registration fee for the Ensembles. You will need to register as well. It is best to register before the convention, either by fax or online. Ensemble duets must be memorized.

You will need to allow enough time to get your badges at the Convention Registration Booths before the Dress Rehearsal. Remember that everyone will be arriving at the same time.

**Required Events:**

Your child is required to attend the following events during the convention. Please allow enough time for your child to arrive at each event 30 minutes or more before each event. Your child’s director will give you better instructions at that time.

1. Dress Rehearsal (In Costume)
2. Group Pictures
3. Group Practice
4. Extra Lab Practice (If needed)
5. Final Performance

**About the Final Performance:**

All students are required to remain with their group to the end of the program. The only exceptions are for students that are participating in other events at the same time. In this case, the director needs to be notified in advance with proof of the conflict.

Any association, having someone leave before the end of the program, will be disqualified from performing the following year.

**Other Events:**

During your free time, check out the Semi-Finals and Finals of the various Performance Competitions. The schedule can be found in the convention magazine.

Visit the Trade Show. There are many vendors with great selections of music and gifts.

The Convention information is at <https://www.tmta.org/>

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| Date 2018-2019 | Registration Deadlines | **Event**Teachers should check master calendar on line for all events and deadlines. Times and locations are subject to change. | Hours |
| Sat Nov. 10, 2018 | Wed Oct 10 | Theory TestTexas State University in Round Rock | 8:00-2:00 |
| Sat Nov 3, 2018 | Wed Oct 3 | Baroque/Classical FestivalSteinway Piano Gallery, Austin | 10:00-6:00 |
| Sat Dec 1, 2018 | Sat Nov 17 | Honors RecitalSteinway Piano Gallery, Austin | 3:00-6:00 |
| Saturday Feb 2 | Wed Jan 2 | Theory TestTexas State University in Round Rock | 8:00-2:00 |
| March 16–20, 2019 |  | 2019 MTNA National ConferenceSpokane Convention CenterSpokane, Washington<http://www.mtna.org/>  |  |
| Saturday April 6, 2019 | Wed Mar 6, 2019 | Romantic/Contemporary FestivalSteinway Piano Gallery, Austin | 10:00-6:00 |
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| *June 20-23, 2019*  |  | *Houston Hyatt Regency* <https://www.tmta.org/>  |  |

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Texas Music Teachers Association - <http://www.tmta.org/>

Bluebonnet Music Teachers Association - <http://bluebonnetmta.org/>

Texas State University in Round Rock - <http://www.rrc.txstate.edu/about/sites.html>

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[***www.tmta.org***](http://www.tmta.org/)

TMTA State Convention,

\*Registration available online at TMTA.org

 TMTA Convention June 20-23, 2019

 *Houston Hyatt Regency* <https://www.tmta.org/> <https://www.tmta.org/>

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**Web Page, Web Email, Teacher Referral -** Lillian Simmons

**Judge Scheduling –** Open

**Yearbook -** Lillian Simmons

**Certificates, Ribbons, Bars** – Lillian Simmons

**Sunshine Chair -** Dianne Walker

**Facilities scheduling** – Lillian Simmons

**Ensemble** – Open

**Open Positions**
 Advertising - open
 Communications - open
 Programs - open

**BLUEBONNET MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION**

**2018-2019 Standing Committees**

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**Advertising:** (Open)

This Committee secures advertisers and sponsors for the yearbook and for events.

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**Bylaws:** open

This committee makes revisions and amendments to the Bylaws of the association.

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**Certification:** open

This committee provides members with information about becoming nationally certified by MTNA.

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**Communications:** (Open)

* Newsletter
* Emails
* Mail Outs
* Phone Calls

This committee sends all general communication for the association to the members by phone, email & mail. (Newsletter, announcements, cards and notes of thanks, congratulations, sympathy, etc ...)

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**Facilities:** (Open)

This committee secures facilities needed for each event. (Contracts, deposits, payments & proof of insurance)

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**Finance:** Martha Vallee

This committee makes recommendations to the Executive Board regarding all banking needs of the association.

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**Judging: Open**

This committee secures the judges for each judged activity, and maintains a current list of judge’s names, contact information and any comments reported about their judging.

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**Membership:** Open

This committee issues membership applications to prospective members, submits the completed applications to the Executive Board for approval and updates the teacher referral chairman and website administrator.

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**MTNA Grant:** Dr. Patricia Griggs-Burnham

This committee drafts and submits proposals to MTNA for matching funds.

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**Nominating:** (Open)

This committee is responsible for presenting a slate of candidates for the coming year. This list is to be presented at the March meeting. Elections are to be held at the April meeting.

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**Programs:** (Open)

This committee makes arrangements for all presentation for our association during the year. (Guest speakers, performers, etc…)

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**Repertoire:** Dr. Patricia Griggs-Burnham

This committee answers questions about the eligibility of pieces and makes recommendations for all literature for festivals and events.

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**Teacher Referral:** Lillian Simmons

This committee maintains a current list of teachers accepting new students and submits updates to the website administrator.

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**Website:** Lillian Simmons

This committee is responsible for the development of the website and its maintenance; including additions, updates and changes to the website.

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**Yearbook:** Lillian Simmons

This committee manages all aspects of the yearbook and submits changes to the website administrator.

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