



News of Note

August 2021

Hi Everyone,

As summer begins to wind down, I feel a little sad to see the warm weather go. But then I look forward to all the exciting events we have planned for this year for our students and ourselves. Please refer to the website for detailed information on all our activities. And check the website for COVID protocols for all events. <https://readingmusicteachers.org/covid-protocols-2/>

GENERAL MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Friday: September 10, 2021 at Immanuel UCC Fellowship Hall

Board Meeting: 9:00 am Social: 9:30 am Business Meeting and Workshop: 10:00 am

Guest Speaker: Alyssa Lahoda Topic: Musician Wellness and Performance Anxiety

Alyssa will be addressing the psychological challenges of performance that our students may face as well as discussing ways to reduce practice related injuries.

MUSICAL BRIDGES

This is an exciting new initiative that encourages students to discover and explore how music bridges the arts and can deepen our understanding of all art forms. The program challenges the student to be an individual thinker and innovator and to use their own talent and ability to create a unique portfolio or program. Complete information is on the website and can be downloaded.

Video submissions due: January-February 2022

Projects due: February 1, 2022

Display of projects will be sometime in the Spring

DOROTHY SUTTON PERFORMANCE FESTIVAL

Online registration: October 1-9 (noon), 2021

Adjudications: October 23, 2021 at Immanuel UCC

Showcase Recital: October 24, 2021 at Immanuel UCC

**Theory testing will be done in the teacher's private studio

Fee: \$25.00 *A free will donation for the RMF need-based scholarship will be asked for at the recital*

Check website for all forms

VIRTUAL STUDENT RECITALS

These recitals are open to students of all ages, levels, and abilities. There is no restriction on repertoire and memory is not required, although selections should be performance ready. Teachers should view the videos before uploading. Dates and details are posted on the website.

PIANO AND PIZZA WORKSHOP

Saturday: November 13, 2021 at Immanuel UCC Sanctuary

Presenter: Jason McDevitt Topic: The Anatomy of a Piano

Pizza party follows

Registration requested

FUTURE EVENTS

Sharing Session: January 21, 2022 10:00 am at Immanuel UCC

Adult Recital: March 13, 2022 3:00 pm at Holly Altenderfer's house 1175 Cedar Top Road, Shillington

ACCOMPANIST FUND

We are pleased to announce that RMF has provided funds to assist our students who need to hire accompanists for RMTA sponsored events. \$50.00 per student per event is available. Apply online prior to the event: <https://readingmusicteachers.org/for-students/accompanist-funding/>

WELCOME BACK, DEANNA REUBEN!

Deanna is a returning member who teaches voice, piano, and theory. Looking forward to reconnecting with her at our events this year!

Thanks again Community Sponsors for supporting our efforts!

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