



FMTA Meeting: August 21, 2019 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program and Potluck Luncheon.

**“Growing You and Your Studio with Social Media.”
presented by Davina Perret**

At the home of April Larsen: 4855 S. Parfet St. Littleton, CO 80127

Welcome back to our first meeting of the year! We will gather at April Larsen’s home and have some time to catch up with each other, go over FMTA business and announcements, learn how we can grow ourselves and our studio with Social Media, and enjoy a Potluck Luncheon! Please invite a friend or colleague to join us at this meeting. We look forward to seeing you soon!



2019-2020 FMTA Board Members

Mark Your Calendars!

We have many wonderful performance opportunities scheduled for this upcoming school year. More details and registration info can be found on our website, www.fmtamusic.org.

Four Seasons Farmers Market: On Saturday, August 24th, the annual Farmers Market Festival will take place at Four Seasons Farmers & Artisans Market, an atmospheric indoor setting, from 10 am to 2 pm. Location address: 7043 W. 38th Avenue; Wheat Ridge, CO. The festival provides students with the opportunity to perform in a non-competitive, community based setting alongside FMTA music teachers. For more information please contact Lorian Bartle at [720-353-2902](tel:720-353-2902) or info@BartleGuitarStudio.com.

Achievement Day: Saturday, November 2nd from 9am-2pm. CCU Music Building 9200 W. Ellsworth Ave. Lakewood, CO 80226. Achievement Day registration is again digital this year. Easy to follow registration instructions and links are on the FMTA website <http://www.fmtamusic.org/achievement-day/>. Registration and payment must be in the hands of the Chair, Laura Trefethen, by 10 pm, Oct. 2. Laura is available to help if you have questions: (303) 656-6184 (cell) or lauratrefethen@gmail.com. We welcome April Larsen as our new co-chair this year!

Are you not sure what Achievement Day is all about or how to prepare your students for it? Laura will be available for questions directly after our FMTA meeting on Aug 21. Achievement Day always brings lots of excitement and fun for students and teachers. Please come and join us!

Holiday Scholarship Benefit Concerts: This new event will be a series of benefit concerts to support our scholarship fund, and will replace our Barnes and Noble Event from previous years. B&N has changed their policy on cash payouts to groups that do book fairs. Because we haven't had enough purchases in the past 2 years to yield a profit for our scholarship fund, the Board has had to make the difficult decision to discontinue B&N. However, the board is looking at other possibilities to raise monies for our scholarship fund. Come to the August meeting to hear more details about our new Holiday event!

Kathy Hammer, Chair

Winter Festival: Saturday, January 25, 2020 @ Our Savior's Corner of Hope Church. 1975 S. Garrison St. Lakewood, CO. 80227. *"The Age of Romance"* is the theme for the 2020 FMTA Winter Festival. Students are invited into the 19th century Salon to perform music of romance, nature, emotions, and imagination. Soloists and ensembles are welcome to share masterworks written between 1820 and 1900. Entice your students to hone those rubato skills and explore the rich repertoire of familiar giants- Schubert, Schumann, Chopin, Liszt, Mendelssohn, and Glinka, Sibelius, Moussorsky, Grieg, Albiniz, and Granados! Maybe your student is ready for Burgmüller and Heller? These are familiar names but there are many others from the period. The students will perform in a recital setting and will receive evaluations. See details on FMTAmusic.org. Co-chairs are Laura Rogers and Jonny Sterling.

Sonatina Festival: Saturday, March 7th @ CCU Music Building 9200 W. Ellsworth Ave. Lakewood, CO 80226. Co-chairs are Evelyn Billberg and Brenda Ohlschwager

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Fabulous FMTA Members! My name is Carrie Christensen and I am honored and humbled to serve as your president for the next two years. I have been a member of FMTA since 2010 and am in awe of the talent, professionalism, and comradery that defines FMTA. I hope you feel honored to be a member of such a distinctive organization as well. FMTA succeeds because of teachers like you. I encourage you to get involved in FMTA in a new way this year. That could be participating in a different event, attending our monthly meetings and outstanding programs, volunteering in a new position, or helping in a way that fits your own personality and schedule. There is something for everyone in FMTA. Please, contact me if you have any questions or what you can do to become more involved. I look forward to working with all of you as I learn my role as president! I knew I could take this position on because of the dedication and support I feel from FMTA's members. Thank you for this opportunity!

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(If you would like to submit an article or announcement for our monthly newsletter, please email Davina Perret at davina.perret@gmail.com by *noon* of the first Wednesday of the month.)

