



# North DeKalb Music Teachers Association

# NEWSLETTER

August 2008

Rwei Hao, President



## *Notes from the President*

Welcome back, everyone! I hope we all had a restful summer and are ready to start

another wonderful year.

First, I'd like to thank Margaret Liu for the 2008-2009 Yearbook, which is so important to all of us for the coming year. Her generosity of opening Cambridge Academy for some of our meetings is admired and appreciated by all of us. Please acknowledge her when you see her. Also, a big thank you to Portia Hawkins for setting up this year's program and the locations for the meetings. Finally, thanks to Laurel Harrell for lining up the hostesses, Glen Eckman for planning the Bach Competition, Raisa Parmentier for the Phillip Kawin Masterclass, and Gayle Vann for planning the Local Audition.

Our first meeting of the year will be held from 10:30 am to noon on August 21 at England Piano. Since England Piano does not allow food in their store on that day because of their big piano sale event, there will be no refreshments provided.

The 2008-2009 Yearbook will be distributed during the meeting. Since I have a jury duty on that day, President-Elect Kathy Ackermann will discuss important events and programs for the coming year with you. In case you cannot attend the meeting, you may ask another NDMTA member to pick it up for you.

Our meeting dates, locations and starting time will vary from month to month this year, so please make sure to check the 2008-2009 program list at page 3 of this newsletter and make notes on your calendar.

I look forward to serving you for the coming year.

*Rwei Hao, NDMTA President*

## **August Meeting**

**Date:** Thursday, August 21, 2008

**Location:** England Piano  
3740 DeKalb Technlgy Pkwy  
Atlanta, GA 30340 (770) 451-1725

**Time:** 10:30 am – 12 pm

**Program:** Business Meeting/Yearbook

## **Bach Competition**

You may visit [www.ndmta.com](http://www.ndmta.com) to download the information, application forms, repertoire lists and judges sheets. **Registration must be postmarked by September 13, 2008.**

Contact: Glen Eckman, Chair Bach Competition

## **Phillip Kawin Masterclass**

Application deadline: September 12, 2008

Contact: Raisa Parmentier

You may also get information from the e-mail forwarded by Rwei Hao

Welcome New Member!  
**VISSCHER. Jennie E.**



## **Website:**

[www.ndmta.com](http://www.ndmta.com)

Please email Leslie Kennedy at [lkmusic@bellsouth.net](mailto:lkmusic@bellsouth.net) to receive your user name and password in order to access the secured Membership Directory.

 **Upcoming Events** 

(See Yearbook or Website for complete listing.)

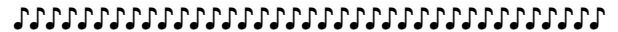
**2008-2009**

September 1 2008	Postmark deadline for applications for MTNA Student Composition Competition
September 9 2008	GMTA/MTNA Competitions registration ONLINE deadline (See <i>American Music Teacher</i> , June/July 2008)
September 13 2008	Postmark deadline for applications for Bach Competition
October 1 2008	Membership process must be completed to be eligible to send students to the GMTA Local Association Piano Auditions with NDMTA
October 1 2008	Deadline for Annual Dues for National Federation of Music Club
October 18 2008	Bach Competition Johns Creek Baptist Church, Alpharetta, GA
October 19 2008	Bach Competition Winners' Recital Johns Creek Baptist Church, Alpharetta, GA
Oct. 29 – Nov. 1 2008	MTNA Fall Competitions University of Georgia, Athens, GA
November 1 2008	ABRSM Theory Examination
November 6-8 2008	GMTA Conference University of Georgia, Athens, GA
October/December 2008	ABRSM Practical Examinations (for piano, voice, organ, harpsichord, harp, strings, brass, woodwind, guitar, percussions, etc.)
January 23 2009	Postmark deadline for NDMTA Local Auditions
February 28 2009	ABRSM Theory Examination
February 28 2009	NDMTA Local Auditions Piano Works, Duluth, Georgia
March 16 2009	Postmark deadline for GMTA Auditions applications – All categories including college piano, instrumental concerto, instrumental, and voice, and Pre-College Piano and Piano Concerto
March 28 – April 1 2009	MTNA National Conference, Atlanta, Georgia
April 17 – 18 2009	GMTA Auditions – All categories including college piano, instrumental concerto, instrumental, and voice, and Pre-College Piano and Concerto, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia
May 2009	National Guild of Piano Teachers Auditions

**Happy Birthday!**



August  
10 Margaret Liu  
17 Shu-ling Chen  
18 Portia Hawkins  
29 Jinghong Ye & Raisa Parmentier  
30 Francis Orrin Leach



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### 2008-2009 Program

Thursday, August 21, 2008 England Piano	“Business Meeting & Yearbook Distribution”	NDMTA Board & Chairs
Thursday, September 18, 2008 Steinway Piano	“Yoga” <b>The location of this meeting will be at either new or old Steinway Piano. TBA</b>	Lisa Macy
<b>Friday</b> , October 17, 2008 England Piano	“Lecture on Teaching Gifted Children” and Masterclass for Gifted and Advanced Students	Phillip Kawin
Thursday, November 20, 2008 Piano Works	“Demonstration of the Inner Workings of the Piano”	Don Bennett
Thursday, January 15, 2009 Cambridge Academy	“Teaching the Adult Students”	Glen Eckman
Thursday, February 19, 2009 Steinway Piano	“Lecture Recital of Afro-American Art Songs”	Reginald Garrett
Thursday, March 19, 2009 England Piano	“Masterclass”	Jeannine Morrison
Thursday, April 16, 2009 Cambridge Academy	“Piano Lecture Recital”	Troy Palmer
Thursday, May 15, 2009	<i>Spring Luncheon and Installation of new officers</i>	

