



North DeKalb Music Teachers Association

# NEWSLETTER

October 2008

Rwei Hao, President



## *Notes from the President*

I hope you all enjoyed Lisa Macy's wonderful, relaxing yoga session during September. Our next program in October is going to be the exciting Phillip Kawin Masterclass. Thanks to Portia and Raisa for working so hard to coordinate four chapters' efforts to make it a reality.

Also, many thanks to Glen Eckman for chairing the Bach Competition for more than 300 students! I am sure all of the teachers who entered students are busy preparing them for this event. Good luck to all.

Because the October program will be sponsored by 4 local chapters, there will be no business meeting in October. Our November 20 meeting will be at Piano Works with a session by Don Bennet. He will be giving a "Demonstration of the Inner Workings of the Piano".

The 2008 GMTA Conference will be held at UGA. The registration form is available at page 4 of this newsletter. There are many wonderful sessions lined up this year. Two NDMTA members, Frederic Hsiang and Francis Orrin Leach, will be featured at the Georgia's Own Concert, and GMTA President Martha Thomas will perform in a piano quartet composed by Dr. William Davis of UGA. For the conference schedule, please visit [www.georgiamta.org](http://www.georgiamta.org). If you plan to attend the Friday evening concert, make sure to reserve a free ticket on the registration form. The postmark deadline date is October 10.

See you all at the masterclass!

*Rwei Hao, NDMTA President*

## *October Program*

### **Phillip Kawin Masterclass**

**Date:** Friday, October 17, 2008  
**Location:** **England Piano**  
**Time:** 9:00 - 9:30 Presentation  
9:30-10:30 Master class  
10:30-11:00 Snack break  
11:00 - 12:20 Mater class  
12:20-12:30 Q&A  
**Hostess:** LaNelle Nash  
Melissa Mghdadi  
Rwei Hao

The **Fall 2008 issue of the GMTA Newsletter is now available online.**

Visit [www.georgiamta.org](http://www.georgiamta.org).

To access the members information, go to "Member Login": Type in all lowercase letters the following: "georgia" and then "music".

## **GMTA' state conference**

University of Georgia in Athens  
Thursday through Saturday, November 6-8

**Postmark deadline October 10<sup>th</sup>**

You can register at the door for the conference. However, GMTA is not offering a one-day registration this year. Also, if you want a ticket to Friday night's concert, get tickets to the Friday evening banquet or to Friday's lunch, you must order that through pre-registration. For Conference Hotel Information and Conference Schedule go to [www.georgiamta.org](http://www.georgiamta.org)

 **Upcoming Events** 

(See Yearbook or Website for complete listing.)

**2008-2009**

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!**



Myrna Feigenbaum October 27

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

All the participating members voted YES for the mileage reimbursement for the Bach Competition.

Thanks to all who participated.

### 2008-2009 Program

Friday, 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>	



## Announcements

- ❖ Please send announcements for the Newsletter by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month to Rwei Hao: [rhao@bellsouth.net](mailto:rhao@bellsouth.net)



## 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.

# GMTA STATE CONFERENCE

Registration Form  
University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia  
November 6-8, 2008

Pre-Registration Postmark Deadline Date: October 10, 2008

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Name      Local Association or College Affiliation

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Street Address      City, State, Zip

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Do you hold GMTA/MTNA Certification? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a new GMTA member? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first GMTA conference? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Current GMTA or Local Association Position Held \_\_\_\_\_  
(indicate if you are a former President of GMTA)

### Registration Fee:

\$80.00 GMTA member \_\_\_\_\_  
\$85.00 Non-member fee \_\_\_\_\_  
\$103.00 Husband/Wife (both must be GMTA members) \_\_\_\_\_  
\$107.00 Member/Non-Member Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
FREE GMTA Student Members \_\_\_\_\_  
\$15.00 Non-member Student fee \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTE

There will be an extra \$5.00 charged for all registrations postmarked after October 10th. The above prices include admission to all conference activities, including Friday night's program. Pre-college students may attend conference student recitals and student master classes with their teacher, provided that the teacher is a GMTA member and registered conference attendee. Free conference registration is offered to host college faculty and students who are members of GMTA. The above prices do NOT include any Meal Functions. All fees (registration and meals) are non-refundable.

### MEALS SOLD THROUGH PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY

\$10.00 Friday: Box Lunch (Deli Buffet with Assorted Sandwiches) \_\_\_\_\_  
\$25.00 Friday: Evening Banquet (Turkey & Dressing, Vegetables, Dessert) \_\_\_\_\_

### FRIDAY EVENING CONCERT TICKET FOR CLAUDE FRANK, HEADLINER

Tickets to the Claude Frank Friday evening concert are free to those who have registered for the conference. Tickets must be reserved in advance on this form. Each person registered for the conference is entitled to one free concert ticket. Anyone wishing to purchase extra tickets may contact the UGA Performing Arts Center Box Office at (706) 542-4400, or toll free (888) 289-8497.

Indicate # of tickets desired \_\_\_\_\_  
(maximum of one complimentary ticket per registered conference attendee)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: GMTA  
MAIL THIS FORM (OR A COPY OF IT) WITH YOUR CHECK TO:  
GMTA

Donna Trivette, Executive Director  
956 Green Knoll Drive  
Dacula, GA 30019

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reminder: Postmark Deadline Date is October 10, 2008