



Gateway Arch East

Music Teachers Association

November 2023 Newsletter

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Letter from the Editor

Hello, friends!

How in the world is it November already?!

This is such an exciting month for us. I'm looking forward to a wonderful ISMTA Conference later this week. The conference book has been published and I'm picking out the sessions I plan to attend. It looks like a great list of options. I hope to see many of you there!

The following Friday (11/10), we will convene at LeAnn's home to share our favorite AIM teaching repertoire. Come to this event to share, but also to **find** your **new** favorite teaching repertoire! Thank you so much to LeAnn for hosting this event and to Joan for suggesting it!

I am so appreciative of everyone who has agreed to participate in the video project telling us about your studio set-ups and answering questions from regional college students. If you have questions about this, please let us know. It would be great to have everything submitted to us by November 17.

We are a busy bunch. No wonder the time flies. I'm so glad to be in the GAE with you!

Joe

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Upcoming GAE Events

November 3 - 4, 2023

ISMTA Annual Conference. Registration is now open. This conference will be at Northern Illinois University. For more information, please check out their website:

<https://ismta.org/conference/>

November 10, 2023 at 10:00am

We will get together and share our favorite AIM teaching repertoire. Thank you to LeAnn Halvorson for volunteering to host this meeting! We will meet at her home at 511 Arch View Ct, Columbia, IL 62236. Bring your favorite AIM teaching repertoire to share with the group. It will be a great time together!

November 17, 2023

We have collected questions from music students at our regional colleges about running an independent studio. Now, our members will record video responses, along with a short tour of their teaching set-ups. The videos will be compiled and shared with young musicians who may be interested in joining our group. Our goal is for many GAE members to participate, and the deadline to submit your recording is November 17th!

December 16, 2023

We will meet at Gill's home for a fun time Christmas caroling! More info on this event soon!

MTNA Professional Certification

It is a great time to take advantage of the MTNA Professional Certification Program!

For information, go to the MTNA website: <http://www.mtnacertification.org/> or contact Gill Cerbin, ISMTA Certification Chair at: gillcerbin@yahoo.com


MTNA Discount at Office Depot


Using the MTNA Discount at Office Depot can be tricky. At least it was for me. How many of you have tried to use it? If other members of our group wish to use the discount, they should register their own account at www.odpbusiness.com/mtna Just click the blue REGISTER button and complete the form that appears, that's it! I found the process of placing an order to copy something confusing, but I wrote down the instructions I followed and you can use them (see attachment) if you are as confused as I was. Everything is done online. You do not need to show your membership card when picking up orders. If someone sets up an account using the link above, the MTNA discount will be applied to all orders placed from that account. Also, if you want to take advantage of the \$.05 copies, you must first choose "black & white" before choosing 20 lb. paper, otherwise the default is 24 lb. paper and it will cost \$.06 per copy. Good luck!

Deborah Meier

GAE Treasurer

Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra Performance





The Nutcracker Ballet

The Philharmonic Society of Belleville
 and the Belleville School of Ballet present


Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra
Christopher Gass, conductor
Patti Woods Harrington, director
 Enjoy Tchaikovsky's timeless holiday classic,
 fully staged with stunning costumes, elaborate
 sets, and full live orchestra -- with American
 Ballet Theatre soloists.

November 18, 2023 November 19, 2023
2:00 and 7:30 pm 2:00 pm

\$25 General Admission
Love Church
1549 Frank Scott Parkway W, Belleville



Rachel Richardson



Luigi Crispino

October 2023 Treasurer's Report

Account balance 10/17/23	\$8,082.69		
	2023-24 Budget	August 2023	YTD
INCOME			
Memberships	\$205.00	\$10.00	\$190.00
AIM Entry Fees	\$2,115.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Yearbook Ads	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,370.00	\$70.00	\$300.00
EXPENSES			
AIM Expenses Total	\$2,014.00	\$75.00	\$0.00
AIM Medals	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
AIM Misc. Supplies	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
AIM Pins	\$215.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
AIM Printing & Mailing	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ISMTA Student Foundation	\$294.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Student Award Checks	\$825.00	\$75.00	\$0.00
SWIC Foundation Arts Fund (donation for use of facilities)	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
AIM Syllabus for New Members	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ISMTA Foundation Fellow Donation			
Member of the Year Conference Expense	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
President's Conference Expense	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Printing/Mailing (yearbook, newsletter, other besides AIM)	\$50.00	\$20.38	\$20.38
Programs	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Teacher's Assistance Fund (partial dues scholarship for new members and partial reimbursement of first time certification fee)	\$140.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Website Expenses	\$224.95	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,883.95	\$95.38	\$20.38

News from Members

Dr. Joseph Welch performed solo recitals at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception (Springfield, IL) and Concord Trinity UMC (St. Louis). The program included works by Brahms, Bonds, Gershwin, and more. Dr. Welch also judged the ISMTA South competition. Upcoming events include a rock concert at Blackburn College and Christmas concerts with Opera Edwardsville and the St. Louis Symphony.