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Welcome to the 52nd SCMTA Annual Conference

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" For these three days in November . . ."

Welcome

On behalf of the University of South Carolina and its School of Music, it is my honor to welcome you to the 52nd Annual Conference of the South Carolina Music Teachers Association, November 1-3, 2012.

Meaningful musical achievement will be in development and on display during the course of this three-day event, and will again serve as a reminder of the vitality of music and music study in the daily lives of all South Carolinians, indeed all Americans.

Consistent with the mission of the USC School of Music, SCMTA's Annual Conference is a manifestation of great music-making for the enrichment and fulfillment of all—this is the reason we are so gratified to host it here in Columbia for 2012.

From recitals, master classes and clinics, to competitions, student research, and inspiring speeches and conversation, this conference is a dynamo of the power of music to lift us and to shape our futures and destiny. It is deeply affirming for our School of Music community to present it here and to witness it live.

I speak for the whole of the School of Music faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends when I say we are excited to have you here with us for this fantastic annual testament to the grandeur of our art and of our enterprise for young and old alike. Have a great time on our campus and in our home. For these three days in November, it is yours, too.

Tayloe Harding, Dean University of South Carolina School of Music



Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the South Carolina Music Teachers Association, it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to Columbia and the wonderful facilities of the University of South Carolina for the 52nd SCMTA Annual Conference. Dr. David Gross has again done a wonderful job putting together a group of speakers, performers, and clinicians who are sure to inspire us to continued excellence in our professional musical activities.

As a member of SCMTA for the past 25 years, I have had the opportunity to share ideas with some of the finest teachers and performers in the Palmetto State. As I prepare to turn the gavel over to Dr. Linda Li-Bleuel, I want to again express my thanks to you all for your guidance, thoughts, and support as we continue to explore ways to share our passion for music with future generations. You are our greatest resource, and I look forward to hearing your ideas and strategies as we strive to provide inspiring learning opportunities for our musical community.

Best wishes for continued success in your teaching, and I'll look for you at the conference!

Derek J. Parsons, President South Carolina Music Teachers Association



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"I trust you will enjoy this stimulating conference with . . .*"* Welcome to the South Carolina Music Teachers Association 2012 Annual Conference! Aren't we proud of Southern Division! We send our congratulations to our Southern Division colleagues who were recognized at the 2012 MTNA Conference in New York City:

- Benjamin Caton (TN) MTNA President
- Florida State Music Teachers Association 2012 State Affiliate of the Year
- M. Shawn Hundley (FL) 2012 Distinguished Composer of the Year
- Julia Helen Garris (SC), MTNA Foundation Fellow
- Cameron Lugo (SC), 2012 MTNA Junior Performance String Competition, 2nd Place Thomas Joiner, teacher (SC)

We also wish to acknowledge our 2012-2013 Southern Division Leadership, including:

- Marc Hebda (FL), Director-elect
- Kevin Chance (AL), Competitions Chair
- Coordinators: Carol Dennes (KY), Fay Adams (TN), Krista Wallace-Boaz (KY), Carol Payne (GA), Jo Plunkett (FL), Certification Chair

I would like to invite you to attend the MTNA Southern Division Competitions, which will be held January 18-21, 2013 at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro, in Greensboro, North Carolina. For more information please check the Southern Division Portal on the MTNA website.

I know you will want to start planning now for our 2013 MTNA Conference set for March 9-13 in Anaheim, California at the Disneyland Hotel. I hope to see you there!

I trust that you will enjoy this stimulating conference with old and new friends, and I look forward to seeing you in Greensboro! We want to show our support and hospitality to everyone in Southern Division.

Most sincerely, Martha Thomas Southern Division Director



Dear South Carolina MTA Members:

Welcome to your state conference! Your state conference committee has planned an exceptional program for you to enjoy, to broaden your knowledge, to experience new ideas, and to hear students and master teachers/recitalists. Please be sure to take a moment to thank your colleagues for their time and work in making this a successful conference.

Conferences are such a wonderful opportunity to network with colleagues, renew friendships, and meet some of the new members in your association. Please share with them your rich experiences within the MTNA Triangle: Local Associations, State Associations, and National Association, all of which support, mentor and nurture us as teachers.

Each of us has special gifts and talents. Reach out to those in your state association and volunteer to help in whatever way you can. Working and sharing together we can impact the future of music in America! There is no greater time for us to support music and the arts than now with the budget cuts that so many local and state governments are facing.

In addition to attending the South Carolina Annual Conference, we hope you will make plans to attend the 2013 MTNA National Conference in Anaheim, California, March 9-13. It promises to be an outstanding conference, featuring high caliber artists and master teachers, as well as sessions and workshops emphasizing offerings for teachers in all areas. In addition, the piano duo Anderson and Roe will perform a recital on Tuesday evening.

Enjoy every moment of your state conference. It will give you new energy, new ideas, and renewed enthusiasm to take home to your students.

Sincerely, Benjamin D. Caton, NCTM President MTNA Sincerely, Gary L. Ingle Executive Director & CEO MTNA





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2012 SCMTA Conference Schedule

All EVENTS: School of Music Recital Hall (Room 206), University of South Carolina unless otherwise noted All COMPETITIONS: USC School of Music (page 10)

Thursday, November 1 - Saturday, November 3

MTNA Performance Competitions (page 10)

Thursday, November 1 - Saturday, November 3

Exhibitor: Rice Music (USC School of Music - Lobby)

Thursday, November 1, 2012

	MTNA Performance Competitions (page 10)
5:30 pm	SCMTA Board Meeting
	(Miyo's, 922 South Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201)
8:00 pm	University of South Carolina Faculty Recital
9:15 pm	Reception
	(Lobby, USC School of Music)

Friday, November 2, 2012

MTNA Performance Competitions (page 10)
Coffee and assorted pastries (Lobby, USC School of Music)
REGISTRATION (Lobby, USC School of Music)
Opening Remarks
Dr. Derek Parsons, SCMTA President
Clinic
Fay Adams
"Practical Pedagogical Tips from a Suzuki Perspective"
Lecture
Dr. Sophia Pierroutsakos
"Passion and Persistence" (see notes, page 38)
BREAK
Workshop
Paula Manwaring Kjos Company
Minimusic
SCMTA Annual Members Meeting (String Project Building)
Luncheon (reservation required with registration)
String Project Building, 851 Park Street (behind School of Music)



2:00 pm Master Class (early intermediate level) **Fay Adams** 3:00 pm SCMTA Commissioned Composition Premiere "Ocean Calling II: From the Depths" for piano duo (see notes, page 38) Meira Warshauer, SCMTA 2012 Commissioned Composer Marina Lomazov and Joseph Rackers, piano duo Poster Session: South Carolina Pedagogy Students 3:30 pm Dr. Scott Price, coordinator Conference Banquet (Major Ensemble Room-Room 16) 6:00 pm (reservation required with registration) 8:00 pm **Conference Artist Concert** Eduardus Halim, pianist Reception (Lobby, USC School of Music)

Saturday, November 3, 2012

8:15 am	Coffee and Assorted Pastries (Lobby, USC School of Music)
8:15 am	REGISTRATION (Lobby, USC School of Music)
8:45 am	Panel Discussion
	"Excellence in the Independent Studio"
	Julia Moore, moderator
9:45 am	Lecture
	Dr. Sophia Pierroutsakos
	"Pay attention, please!" (see notes, page 38)
11:00 am	BREAK
11:15 am	Master Class (advanced level)
	Eduardus Halim
l 2:45 pm	Closing Remarks
•	Dr. Derek Parsons, SCMTA President

Conference morning and break hospitality provided by



MTNA Performance Competitions Schedule

Wednesday, October 31 - Saturday, November 3

Competition REGISTRATION (Lobby, USC School of Music)

• Junior			
Piano	Thur, Nov 1	9:55 am-12:05 pm	(Room 112)
		1:45 pm-4:20 pm	(Room 112)
String	Fri, Nov 2	4:20 pm-4:40 pm	(Room 229)
Woodwind	Fri, Nov 2	3:45 pm-4:20 pm	(Room 201)
• Senior			
Piano	Wed, Oct 31	10:00 am-12:05 pm	(Room 112)
		1:40 pm-3:05 pm	(Room 112)
Brass	Thur, Nov 1	3:00 pm-4:30 pm	(Room 229)
String	Fri, Nov 2	1:55 pm-3:20 pm	(Room 229)
Woodwind	Fri, Nov 2	9:35 am-12:10 pm	(Room 201)
		1:45 pm-3:10 pm	(Room 201)
• Young Artist			
Piano	Fri, Nov 2	9:35 am-12:00 pm	(Room 112)
		1:35 pm-4:50 pm	(Room 112)
	Sat, Nov 3	9:35 am-12:00 pm	(Room 112)
String	Fri, Nov 2	9:20 am-12:50 pm	(Room 229)
Chamber Str	Fri, Nov 2	3:45 pm-4:15 pm	(Room 229)
Woodwind	Thur, Nov 1	1:30 pm-4:25 pm	(Room 201)
Chamber WW	Thur, Nov 1	10:35 am-11:45 pm	(Room 201)



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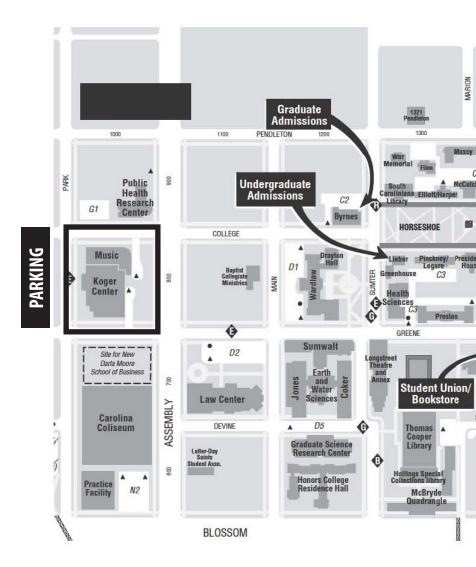
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Campus Map of the University of South Carolina

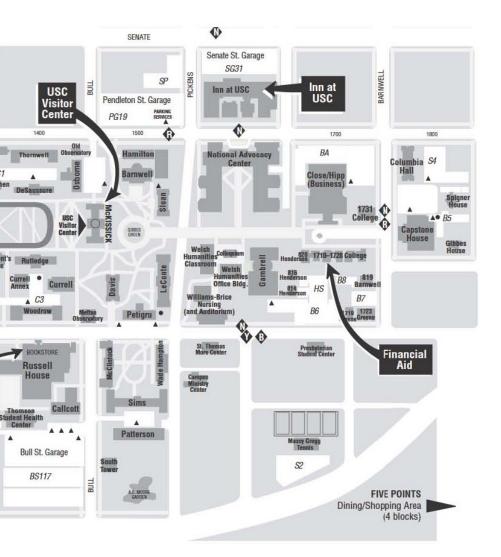
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- Street Parking .75 per hour metered parking
- Discovery Parking Lot (in String Project Building) \$1 per hour or \$5 per day. Entrar





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Conference Artist



Eduardus Halim

Eduardus Halim has captured the imagination of piano lovers the world over with the originality and maturity of his interpretations. In New York, he established himself as a pianistic force and earned the rare privilege of becoming the last pupil of the legendary Vladimir Horowitz.

Under his first teacher, Hungarian pianist Alfonse Becalel, Mr. Halim developed rapidly and performed Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto at the age of 11 and gave his debut recital at 13. Of his next teacher, the Belgian-trained Stephen Michael Sulungan, Mr. Halim recounts, "Often, his lessons amounted to a kind of supervised practice... Later, Mr. Horowitz did something similar for me."

In 1980, he moved to New York to study at The Juilliard School with the legendary pedagogue Sascha Gorodnitzki, an icon of the Russian romantic tradition. Four years later, after Gorodnitzki's passing, Mr. Halim turned to the distinguished Rudolf Firkušný who became a mentor.

Harold C. Schonberg bequethed to Mr. Halim his music library and Steinway piano which had been personally selected by the pianist Leopold Godowski for the use of Mr. Schonberg's aunt.

Since his 1987 New York debut, Mr. Halim has performed with numerous national and international orchestras. In December 1999, he was the invited soloist for the Milwaukee Symphony's historic performance in Havana, Cuba. It was the first U.S. ensemble to appear since the embargo in more than 40 years.

Mr. Halim was recently appointed as Music Professor and is the holder of the inaugural Sascha Gorodnitzki Faculty Chair in Piano Studies at New York University. Read more at www.eduardushalim.com/



Eduardus Halim

pianist

Friday, November 2, 2012 8:00 p.m.

Nocturne in C Minor, Op. 48, No. 1

Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)

Davidsbündler, Op. 6

- 1. Lebhaft
- 2. Innig
- 3. Mit Humor
- 4. Ungeduldig
- 5. Einfach
- 6. Sehr rasch
- 7. Nicht schnell
- 8. Frisch
- 9. Lebhaft
- 10. Balladenmässig Sehr rasch
- 11. Einfach
- 12. Mit Humor
- 13. Wild und lustig
- 14. Zart und singend
- 15. Frisch
- 16. Mit gutem Humor
- 17. Wie aus der Ferne
- 18. Nicht schnell

INTERMISSION

Chorale Preludes, Op. 122

Johannes Brahms | Ferruccio Busoni (1866-1924)

- 4. My inmost heart rejoiceth Andante tranquillo
- 10. My inmost heart doth yearn Andante tranquillo

Variations on a Theme by Paganini, Op. 35 Book I and Book II Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

The reception following is hosted by the University of South Carolina School of Music

Robert Schumann

(1810-1856)



Conference Speaker



Sophia Pierroutsakos

Dr. Pierroutsakos is a professor, developmental psychologist, professional speaker, and mother. She received her B.A. in Psychology from Washington University in St. Louis, and her M.A. and Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

She teaches General Psychology, Honors Psychology, Child Psychology and a Parenting Across Cultures course at St. Louis Community College. She loves working directly with students and helping them discover the power of self-awareness and scientific inquiry of mental life and behavior. She has received the Missouri Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, the NISOD Excellence Award, and Meramec's PTK Glaux awards for outstanding instructors and mentors.

She has co-authored work in a variety of professional journals, including *Psychological Science, Learning and Instruction*, and the *Journal of Cognitive Development*, and contributed a Dr. Spock-style chapter on the child-rearing practices of the Warlpiri (an Aboriginal group in Australia) to the edited book *A World of Babies: Imagined Infant Care Manuals from Other Cultures* published by Cambridge University Press.

She enjoys speaking locally and nationally to parents, educators, and health-care providers about a variety of child development and parenting issues including how to encourage a healthy relationship between children and media, how to encourage a love of learning, and how to parent, educate, and live mindfully.

She has two daughters: Olivia, age 10, and Leonora, age 3. She enjoys cooking for people she loves, traveling (especially to Greece where most of her extended family still lives), and volunteering as a Greek teacher for elementary school children, and reading, especially her weekly *New Yorker* magazine She practices mindful meditation and enjoys swimming, tennis, and being outside in the sunshine.



Presenter

Fay Adams

Fay Adams lives in Tennessee and is Director of the Suzuki Piano School of Knoxville. She is a registered Suzuki Piano Teacher Trainer and served on the Suzuki piano repertoire review committee. In 1996, she was named the Tennessee Teacher of the Year by the Tennessee Music Teachers Association and has received the Outstanding Teacher Award from the Tennessee Governor's School. She is a former member of the Suzuki Association Board of Directors and Past-President of the Tennessee Music Teachers Association. Other awards include: YWCA Outstanding Woman in the Arts, Chancellor's Citation for Service to the University of Tennessee, Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award for the UT School of Music, University of Tennessee Volunteer Spirit Award, MTNA Foundation Fellow, Past-Director of MTNA Southern Division and former member of the MTNA Board of Directors.



Presenter

Paula Manwaring

Paula Manwaring is a music educator, composer and author of *Minimusic*, a group theory course for young beginners. She began her piano studies at an early age and continued through her college years. Paula attended Brigham Young University where she studied under Dr. Sherman Smith. Her college studies of music theory began her quest to effectively integrate music theory into her younger students' curriculum. She has enjoyed teaching piano for the past 30 years and currently maintains two independent piano studios in Salt Lake City where she actively serves as UMTA Independent Music Teacher Forum Chair.





SCMTA Commisssioned Composer



Meira Warshauer

Meira Warshauer's works have been performed to critical acclaim throughout North America and Europe, as well as in South America, the Middle East, and Asia. Her music is regularly heard on radio, and has recently been featured on American Public Media's Performance Today, the most listened-to classical music radio program in the U.S. Meira's musical palette is wide, ranging from traditional Jewish prayer modes to minimalist textures with rich melodic contours, and from joyful jazz-influenced rhythms to imaginative orchestrations of the natural world. At its core, it expresses her personal spiritual journey, and her love for the earth. She has received many awards, and Fellowships from the MacDowell Colony, the Hambidge Center, and the S. C. Arts Commission. Dr. Warshauer has served on the faculties of Columbia College, University of South Carolina Honors College, and as the Nancy A. Smith Distinguished Visitor at Coastal Carolina University. She currently resides in Columbia, SC.



Performers

Lomazov-Rackers Piano Duo

The Lomazov-Rackers Piano Duo came to attention in 2005 as the Second Prize Winners of the Sixth Biennial Ellis Duo Piano Competition, the only national competition for piano duo in the United States at that time. Since then, they have performed as recitalists and in concert with orchestras throughout the United States and Europe, including performances at the Kiev International Music Festival (Ukraine), Varna International Master Classes in Piano (Bulgaria), Moulin d'Ande Arts Festival (France) and Burgos International Music Festival (Spain) in addition to appearances in every region of the United States. Marina Lomazov and Joseph Rackers are Steinway Artists and serve on the piano faculty of the University of South Carolina School of Music.



Panel Moderator

Julia A. Moore

Julia Moore has run an independent piano studio for over 30 years. She is currently the Director of Music Ministries at Saint John Neumann Catholic Church in N.E. Columbia. She is past Secretary and Vice President for Membership for SCMTA, Past President of the Columbia Association of MTNA and Past President of the Dutch Fork Music Teachers Association.

She has served throughout the Catholic Dioceses of Charleston as director of music, accompanist and as director of adult, contemporary and children's choirs. Julia has taught music in both private and Catholic schools in Beaufort and Summerville. She grew up in England and Nashville, Tennessee where she studied at the Blair School of Music at Vanderbilt with Elizabeth Cormier and Enid Katahn. Julia holds a Bachelors Degree in Music from USC and her teachers included Doug Ashley, Charles Fugo, and Max Camp. She has done graduate studies in Sacred Liturgical Music at Notre Dame. In her spare time, she enjoys singing with Colla Voce, a choral performance choir made up of music educators in the Columbia area. She loves to vacation overseas and camp with her family of three grown children and her husband, Charles.



Poster Session Coordinator

Scott Price

Scott Price is Professor of Piano and Piano Pedagogy and area coordinator of piano studies at the University of South Carolina. He is a recipient of the Frances Clark Keyboard Pedagogy Award given by MTNA, is a MTNA Foundation Fellow, and is the winner of the 2012 Southeastern Conference Faculty Achievement Award for the University of South Carolina. He is internationally recognized for his work in teaching piano to students with special needs.





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- 2010 College of Charleston
- 2011 SC Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities Bob Jones University (MTNA Performance Competitions)
- 2012 University of South Carolina

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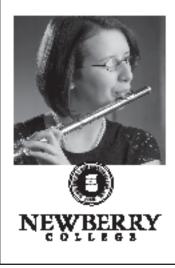
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There's music in the sighing of a reed; There's music in the gushing of a rill; There's music in all things, if men had ears: Their earth is but an echo of the spheres. — Lord Byron

I have my own particular sorrows, loves, delights; and you have yours. But sorrow, gladness, yearning, hope, love, belong to all of us, in all times and in all places. Music is the only means whereby we feel these emotions in their universality. - H.A. Overstreet

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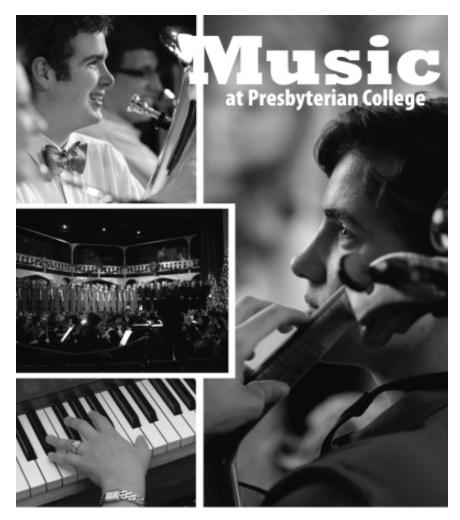
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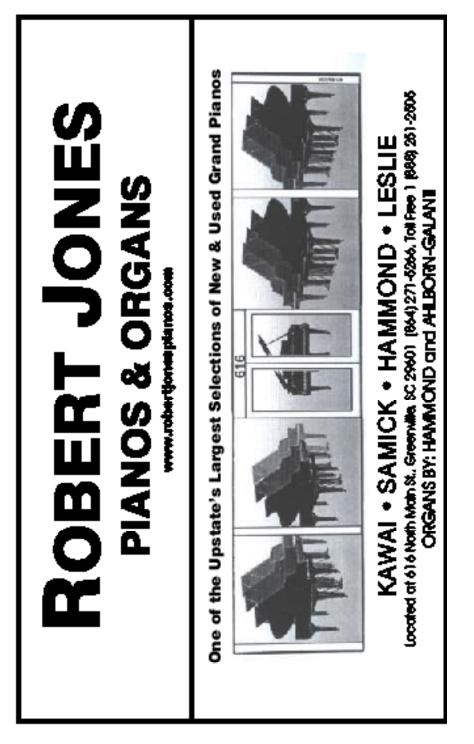


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Lecture 2: Pay attention, please!

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Notes for Dr. Meira Warshauer

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