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President's Message

According to the Rodgers and Hammerstein favorite – *June is bustin' out all over*. This is a wonderful time of year on many levels. Auditions, competitions, festivals and recitals are behind us. School is out and summer vacations are looming. I do hope this summer provides you with opportunities for relaxation as well as renewal and perhaps even new adventures.

I certainly appreciate the opportunity SCMTA provided for me to attend the MTNA Conference in Denver, Colorado. The sessions, masterclasses, competitions, recitals and the exhibit hall were again first rate! Awakening to a fresh snowfall two mornings was certainly an added delight. I was able to connect again with former Colorado colleagues and eat at one of our family's favorite Mexican restaurants! I hope everyone is making plans to attend the 2009 MTNA Conference in Atlanta. It certainly has not ever been this close to South Carolina.

Thanks you's are again in order to Linda McKenzie and her faithful helpers for making the SCMTA State Auditions and Honors Recital a success. The high level of performance and quality of our young musicians (and the quality of teaching) remains strong in our state.

I know that fall seems so far away, but it is never too early to start making plans to attend our SCMTA Conference Nov. 6-8, 2008 at Bob Jones University. Stay tuned for more details!

David B. Thompson, President

SOUTH CAROLINA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

SCMTA Pre-College Piano Auditions

These auditions took place on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at the University of South Carolina. The student winners, alternates, and honorable mentions are posted on scmta.org. Congratulations to these fine students and their teachers!

2008 SCMTA Conference

This year's conference will be held on the campus of Bob Jones University in Greenville, November 6-8. Nelita True is this year's conference artist and clinician. Save these dates on your calendar!

2008-2009 MTNA Membership Renewal

This is a reminder that the deadline renewal for MTNA dues is June 30. You may use your printed dues renewal statement or renew on-line at mtna.org

Foundation Fellow Nominees Needed!

Camille D. Miles, NCTM

In the Instruction of Private Piano, Theory, and Music History

It is not too late to send in your Foundation Fellow nominees! To be named a state Foundation Fellow is a great honor, but without your nominations, SC will be forced to watch another year pass by without recognizing an amazing SC musician.

Those nominated as SC Foundation Fellows should be individuals who have greatly contributed to the field of music and/or teaching. These persons must have been active in the MTNA on the local, state, or national level at some point and may be living or deceased.

Please submit nominations to Camille Miles, SC Foundation Chair, in 200 words or less describing whom you believe should be the recipient of the 2008 Foundation Fellow Award and why.

Nominations may come from individuals, groups, and organizations. Please include an e-mail address and/or phone number where a contact may be reached in case of questions. Nominations may be submitted via e-mail to camilledmiles@yahoo.com or via the USPS addressed to Camille Miles, 1679 Partridge Drive, Aiken, SC 29803-5715.

*All nominations must be received by **Friday, August 15th.***

Furman Summer Keyboard Institute

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The Summer Keyboard Institute 2008 application is now online. Please see the following link for information and an application: <http://www.furman.edu/depts/music//degreesandprograms/SKI.htm>
If you have any questions about the program, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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