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For the love of music, the Music Guild of New Mexico supports, promotes, and encourages nonprofit musical organizations that will educate, enhance, engage, and enrich the quality of our New Mexico community.





chance to come together to map out a direction for the Music Guild for 2018 and beyond.



Membership Committee Hits a Hole in One

The Membership Committee organized a beautiful luncheon in a venue that is new for us. Look for information on other luncheons at new and exciting locations



Señoritas Learn the **Art of Etiquette**

The 2018 Señoritas thoroughly enjoyed their Etiquette Dinner, held at the Albuquerque Country Club on September 17th.



From the Presidents

The 2017-2018 board has made a great start with an August retreat at Hummingbird Music Camp. The review of past years' successes and conversations with the loyal members of the MGNM were motivating and fun. The committees are active, and reports were full of great planning and good news. Photos and information about events can be found on the website in News. Please take some time and look around the website at www.musicguildofnewmexico.org.

The Fall Luncheon was well-attended at the Sandia Casino Event Center with the lovely views of the Sandia Mountains and golf course. The tables were filled with dear friends and new acquaintances who were happy to be together. Thank you to the Membership Committee, Denise Lemanski and Kelly Lawrence, for planning the luncheon and bringing us together with new members, guests, and the loyal members of many years. The luncheon was nicely presented, and we appreciated the atmosphere of celebrating the fall season when we walked into the room as well as the energy of the gathering of the MGNM community. Yvette Lyle received the Jackie Guaderrama Award in appreciation of her continued support and loyalty. Thank you, Yvette, so much for all you do.

The next event will be the Oktoberfest at the Boxing Bear Brewery in Corrales, October 19th, 6 pm to 9 pm. The music will be a sax quartet, Sax Therapy. Please join in and bring your friends to meet the Guild members. This will be a cash bar and appetizers will be provided for you to enjoy. We are all looking forward to getting together again soon.

Please be sure to mark your calendars with the date of the Holiday Luncheon. It will be at the lovely Los Poblanos, December 07, 2017. This will be a lovely, special holiday luncheon.

Finally, we thank our new Board Members for all their dedication and hard work. Special thank you to all our committee chairs, volunteers, and donors for their time, generosity and kindness. This will be a great year, and we are glad you joined us.

Your Presidents, Teena King and Pam Berg



Teena King shared the rich history of how Hummingbird Music camp came to be. The Camp was opened by Teena's parents and has been operating for 60 years.



We began the evening with a short walk down to the river, just below the faculty cabins where the Board spent the night and began working on plans for the future of the Music Guild of New Mexico.



The August Board Retreat at
Hummingbird Music Camp started
with a tour of the camp, and Teena
filled us all in on the history of the
Music Camp, which was started by her
father many years ago. The Camp
has a rich history and is tucked
away in the Jemez mountains.

We began Thursday afternoon with a walk around the camp and down to the river. Teena gave us a quick history of the camp founded by her parents. After a pot-luck dinner, the board spent time getting to know each other better by doing team-building activities.

The real work came the next day. Each committee chair gave an update of the activities of the committee and what each committee will focus on for the 2018 Guild year. The discussions were lively and positive.

Each Board VP shared solid ideas on how to improve their individual committees and the Guild as a whole. Strategies were discussed, so that those ideas could be put into action.

Photos by Rick and Roz Cohen

The two-day retreat was very productive, and the outlook for the Guild is very positive. Keep up with changes and enhancements, as we work on bringing more opportunities for involvement for the membership.

Updates will be communicated through the weekly E-Blasts and through the quarterly *Keynotes* Newsletter.

Teena's mother, Wanda Higgins, welcomed us to Hummingbird Music Camp and told stories about the early days of the Guild when she was a member in the 1960's.





The first evening gave us time for a wonderful potluck dinner and some team-building activities. Gayle McCormick, Yvette Lyle, Roz and Rick Cohen, Dana Wilson, Susan Rogers, Mary Bunch, Renee Grout, Teena King, Pam Berg, Suzanne Jacobi, Denise Lemanski and Paula Bradley (not

pictured) were the Board members **who** were able to attend the two-day retreat. The Board worked on plans for 2018 as well as working on strategies to keep the Music Guild relevant and successful in achieving the mission of supporting music throughout the state.



Strategic Planning

Membership Social -Oktoberfest at Boxing Bear Brewing Co.

The Strategic Planning Committee is working to provide more social opportunities for our Membership.

Come celebrate the great weather and join the **Music Guild of New Mexico** for an evening of good music, good food, and good friends! We will have the group **Sax Therapy** with Jon Robak, Ken Johnson, Kirk Landin, and Chadd James to take us through the evening. **Food provided by the MGNM - Cash bar, beer, wine and soft drinks**. Bring a friend and introduce them to the Music Guild!

Thursday October 19th

Boxing Bear Brewing Co. 10200 Corrales Road

6 pm to 9 pm

Music by: Sax Therapy



Use the following link to let us know you will be joining us!

http://evite.me/CbPfE25SSN

JMYAC

Judges Named for the 2018 Young Artists' Competition

Music Guild member and JMYAC Judge Coordinator Marian Ciepiela has outdone herself in securing six prestigious judges for the upcoming Music Guild of New Mexico's Jackie McGehee Young Artists' Concerto Competition for Piano and Strings scheduled for February 17, 2018.

Why use out-of-state judges? They do not teach locally and do not know the contestants. This eliminates any bias in their decisions. The judges also open up opportunities to the contestants for participation in summer festivals and university scholarships. Here are our judges:

For Piano

Kevin Fitz-Gerald, Professor of Keyboard Studies and Keyboard, University of Southern California Thornton School of Music, is a recitalist, orchestra soloist, chamber musician, and recording artist, in addition to his teaching career. He has toured and performed at major concert halls, universities, and concert organizations throughout the world with internationally acclaimed artists. His students have won numerous awards and top prizes in regional, national, and international competitions; and become professors, directors, dean, conductors, performers, and coaches at established music schools, music organizations, and major ensembles.

Composer **Jaroslaw Golembiowski** earned two Master of Arts degrees in music theory, conducting and composition and in music education at the Academy of Music of Karol Lipinski in Wroclaw, Poland. He earned his Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the Fryderyk Chopin University of Music in Warsaw. He has lived in Chicago since 1986 and participated in a summer course in Computer Music at the University of Chicago. He has also studied the Suzuki Method for Piano at the Chicago Music Institute. Since 2000 he has served on the jury of the Chopin Piano Competition in Milwaukee. In 2013, he founded the Chicago Chopin Society and serves as President.

Swedish-American pianist **Elias-Axel Petterssen** is a soloist, chamber musician, and a Mason & Hamlin Concert Artist. He has earned prizes on the national and international levels. His discography on Axel Records includes two solo albums and one chamber album. The latter features Duo Giocoso, a violin-piano

duo he formed in 2008 with French violinist Roland Arnassalon. Petterssen is a committed pedagogue and has taught at the Universite de Montreal and the University of Maryland in addition to giving master classes across North America. He holds a D. Mus. from the Universite de Montreal. He has also played with Andre Watts and the Guarneri String Quartet.

For Strings

Cellist **Elliott Cheney** holds Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degrees in performance from the University of Texas. He has been the Principal Cellist of the National Symphony of Costa Rica and on the faculties of the University of Costa Rica, Southwestern University, Armstrong College, and the University of Tennessee. He is currently Associate Professor at the University of Utah where he teaches Introduction to Music and cello. He also coaches string quartets. He is an active soloist and gives frequent recitals throughout the US, Canada, Brazil, Austria, and Spain. With his wife Carey, the Cheneys maintain a large cello studio and teach students of all ages. They have formed a family cello trio with their son, Livingston.

Gudrun Raschen, double bass and cello, has extensive solo, orchestral, and chamber music experience. She has given concerts and taught at festivals worldwide. She earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of Capetown in South Africa. She continued her post-graduate studies at the University of North Texas, receiving her doctorate in double bass performance in 2009. She is currently Lecturer of Music at UNT and is the founder and teacher at the Bass and Cello Conservatory in Dallas. Her former students have won the Junior and Senior Divisions of the American String Teachers National Solo Competition and are regularly accepted into top summer music programs.

Pasha Sabouri, violin, is the Artistic Director of the Texas String Camp. Dr. Sabouri has performed recitals and concerts all over the world and has soloed for the opening of the Edinburgh Festival, plus the Texas Chamber Orchestra, Las Vegas Philharmonic, Henderson Symphony, the Early Music Ensemble at the Butler School of Music, and the Ottawa Sinfonette. Dr. Sabouri also served as Brian Lewis's teaching assistant at the Butler School of Music at the University of Texas at Austin where he received his Doctorate and Masters degrees. He received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He has also been faculty at the Austin Chamber Music Center and the Brian Lewis Young Artist Program. He performs on a Cuyper Violin made in 1793.

Membership Committee

Membership Hits a Hole in One With September Luncheon

The Sandia Grill was the perfect venue for the Fall Guild Luncheon. The room boasts great views of the Sandia Mountains, and the weather was perfect. The tables were festive with pumpkin-colored orchids, and Halloween candies as favors.

We had 64 members and guests in attendance! Everyone appeared to be happy to meet again after the summer break. Valerie Huelskamp and Sharen Hart were our friendly greeters. The raffle table had some amazing items. The four raffle items included gift certificates to Melba's Flowers, hair products and a certificate for a hair cut from Shear Brillance Salon, a silver Nambe platter, and an orange colander filled with goodies to make a pasta dinner AND a bottle of white wine and chianti. Carol Friedman sold the raffle tickets, and we made \$405. Thanks to all the members for their generosity.

Lunch was served at 12:15. The choices for lunch were: Chicken Brie, Salmon Salad and Portobello Mushroom. Sandia also accommodated our guests with special dietary needs. We got rave reviews about the meals.

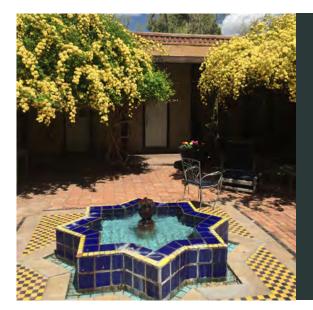
President Teena King opened the general meeting. The minutes were taken by Roz Cohen and will be available for review at our next General luncheon in December at Los Poblanos. Yvette Lyle received the Jackie Guaderrama award for her outstanding work with the Strategic Planning committee. President Pam Berg adjourned the meeting.











Save the Date - December Luncheon

Join us at the beautiful Los Poblanos Inn and Farms for what is sure to be an elegant December Membership Luncheon.

Local artists will be displaying their creations, and you will have the opportunity to purchase truly unique holiday gifts.

Thursday December 7th Los Poblanos Inn and Farms

Señoritas

A Great Beginning for the 2018 Señoritas

The Señoritas are off to a great start with an Ice Cream Social and the Etiquette dinner to begin the year.

On Sunday, August 27, the 2017-2018 Señoritas gathered at the El Caballero Neighborhood Park for the Auntie Mame Scavenger Hunt and Ice Scream Social. It was a fun time for all and we are so excited to have 4 returning Auntie Mames (Anne Keleher, Mary Bunch, Eleanore Macnish and Janine Maydew) and one new Auntie Mame (Nadine Hamby – her daughter was a Señorita last year). The Señoritas had a lot of fun in their small groups as they looked for puzzle pieces. Once they found their puzzle pieces they gathered at the home of Susan Rogers to put together their puzzle, which was a picture of their Auntie Mame. The girls enjoyed one another and especially their newly found Auntie Mames.

Then on Sunday, September 17th, the Etiquette Dinner was held at the Albuquerque Country Club. Mr. Chip Hindi was our presenter. He did a spectacular job relating to the girls and making them feel special. He gave a wonderful demonstration on how to conduct yourself while enjoying an elegant dinner. He did it so seamlessly. ACC prepared a delicious four course meal. The evening was definitely 4 STAR. The girls truly enjoyed this event. It was an elegant time, as we all learned the art of etiquette.















Education Update

Education Committee Volunteers help with Popejoy Concerts for APS Students

On Tuesday, October 3rd, and Thursday, October 5th, the Education Committee received the support of a large number of MGNM volunteers to help the Popejoy ushers bring thousands of 5th grade students from the Albuquerque Public School system to Popejoy Hall to enjoy a concert by the New Mexico Philharmonic. This event will be repeated on May 15th, 16th, and 17th, but this time for APS 4th grade students, charter schools, and those who are home-schooled and handicapped.

On Thursday evening, October 5th, the "Center for Adult and Youth Learning," a division of the Education Committee, invited the Guild membership to another concert given by Judy and Michael Muldawer. This performance, which included many songs from the first quarter of the 20th century, was similar to

the wonderful concert which Judy and Michael did for the Guild in January of this year. The venue for this performance was Albuquerque Academy.

The Education Committee is always looking for people with ideas for future programing. Please contact Rick Cohen if you have suggestions, or would like to be part of the "Center for Adult and Youth Learning." Please consider helping us out in May for the Popejoy 4th grade student concerts.

My email is: mroboe@hotmail.com or: 505-892-2911.

Señorita Ball Committee

Planning for the 2018 Ball is Underway

The Music Guild of New Mexico Señorita Ball Committee has been hard at work soliciting sponsorships and items for the Silent Auction. If you are interested in supporting the 2018 Señorita Ball in any way, please contact Dana Wilson, the 2018 Ball Committee Chair. danawilson@comcast.net.

If you would like to reserve a room at Sandia Resort Hotel for the night of the Ball, you can call to make your reservations NOW. The reserved rooms with our special rate will go fast. **Call** (505) 796-7500 to reach the Hotel front desk. Let them know you are with the Music Guild of New Mexico.

Save the Date Music Guild of New Mexico Señorita Ball March 17, 2018



Grant Selection Committee

Our 2017 Grantees Have Full Calendars for the Remainder of 2017

Our Grantees have a nice array of upcoming events that I hope you will enjoy. Please support our Grantees by attending some of these events!

The New Mexico Philharmonic has an exciting lineup of concerts this season from Mahler, Mozart, and Tchaikovsky to Led Zeppelin and the Beatles, plus the annual Holiday Pops and a whole lot more. There's a link on our website to theirs.

The **New Mexico Gay Men's Chorus** is working on their Holiday Concert, "Love and Joy From Us to You." Season tickets are available now; single tickets for this concert go on sale November 1. There's a link from our website to theirs.

Fri, December 8, 7:30 PM – The Lensic in Santa Fe Sat, December 9, 7:30 PM – The Hiland in ABQ Sun, December 10, 3 PM – The Hiland in ABQ

Opera Southwest will present Rossini's William Tell October 22-29. Get your tickets now! There's a link on our website to theirs.

Polyphony: Voices of New Mexico will present a FREE concert, A Children's Messiah, on Saturday December 16 at 10:30 AM at The Cathedral of St. John, 318 Silver Ave. SW. Perfect for kids of all ages, this 45-minute concert will include select movements from the Christmas portion of Handel's beloved oratorio, interspersed with

popular sing-along carols. Accompanied by orchestra, a core of professional singers from Polyphony: Voices of New Mexico will be joined by singers from Albuquerque Academy, Lincoln Middle School, Rio Rancho Youth Chorus, Roosevelt Middle School, and Sandia Youth Choir to help kick-start the Holiday Season.

Wearing festive clothing, bringing comfy pillows to sit on and sporting Handelian wigs are all encouraged!

On Friday January 5, 2018, **Polyphony: Voices of New Mexico** will perform The 12th Day of Christmas Festival Concert 7:00 PM at The Cathedral of St. John, 318 Silver Ave. SW. The pre-concert lecture by Oliver Prezant starts at 6:00. Tickets are available on their website. There's a link from our website to theirs.

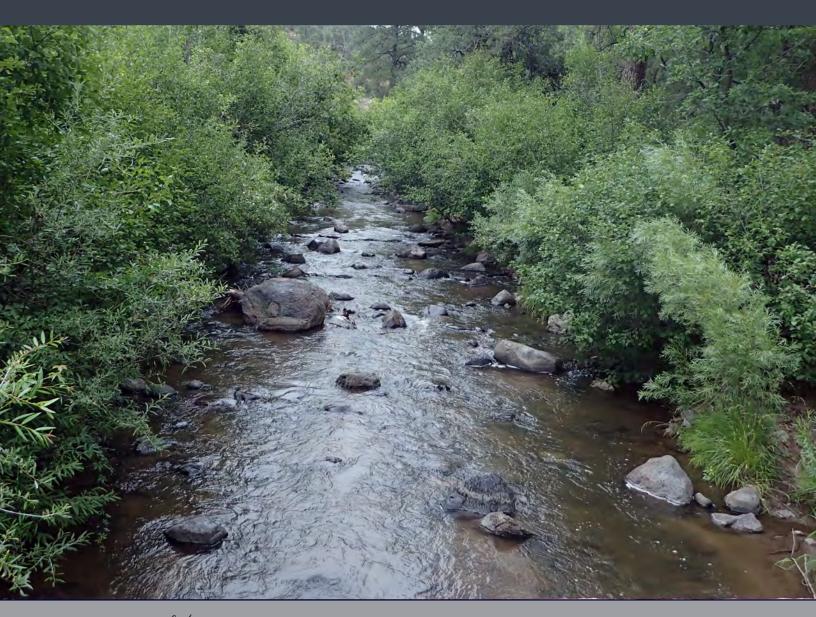
New Mexico Jazz Workshop is hosting a FREE concert on Sunday November 19 at the Kimo Theater, 3:00 PM, A Calypso Christmas. This is a free concert but tickets are required. Get them from their website. There's a link on our website to theirs.

CHATTER, CHATTER, CHATTER! Every Sunday morning (except two Sundays/year) Chatter/Ensemble New Mexico delights it audiences with a one-hour program of ensemble music at Las Puertas, 1512 1st Street NW at 10:30 AM. Chatter weaves together traditional and contemporary classical in surprising programs that include a reading by a poet/speaker of the morning and a two-minute celebration of silence. Doors open at 9:30 so you can enjoy the complimentary espresso bar and homemade goodies prior to the program. Tickets are sometimes available at the door; it's advisable to purchase tickets online. \$15 reg/ \$9 under 30 & students/\$5 under 13. There's a link from our website to theirs.

Information about Horizons New Mexico and Amy Biehl High School Foundation will be coming soon!

The Grant Selection Committee will have the 2018 Grant Application on the website in November. Watch for updates on the website and in the Friday e-blasts. www.musicquildofnewmexico.org

"Music's the medicine of the mind." ~John A. Logan





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