

## 2017 LMTA Convention Schedule

(tentative schedule: final schedule will be posted in September)

**Thursday, October 12, 2017** ~ Visit exhibits throughout the day! ~

8:00 – Registration

Presiding: Teresa Thomason, treasurer

8:30 – General Session

Presiding: La Wanda Blakeney, president

9:00 – Gayle Kowalchuk, Guest Clinician

Technique for Life: 10 Technical Skills for Creating a Lifetime of Music Making

10:10 – Teaching Jazz Improvisation at the Piano

Presenters: Courtney Bryan & Joni Jensen

10:10 – A Closer Look at Three Graded Piano Curricula

Presenters: Northwestern State University Collegiate MTNA Chapter

11:15 – Importance of Hand & Body Position in Beginning Pianists

Presenter: Irena Jones

11:15 – Schubert and Jean-Paul in Schumann's Papillons, Op. 2 & Carnaval, Op. 9

Presenter: Francis Yang

12:10 – refreshments hosted by North Shore MTA/visit exhibits

12:45 – Michelle Sisler, Guest Clinician

iPad Ideas: Teaching Music With Apps

1:45 – New School Music Studios: 9 Business Models for Music Teachers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Presenter: April Hamm

1:45 – 20<sup>th</sup>-Century Study for 2 Violins

Presenters: Dinos Constantinides & Borislava Iltcheva

2:45 – Convention Luncheon at The Terminal! (Three-course meal catered by Mesina's)

5:30 – Keys to Imagination Mini-Showcase: "Inspire, Innovate, Invigorate, Invent!"

Presenter: Michelle Sisler

6:00 – Piano Recital

Convention Guest Artist: Elizabeth Moak

*Evening free in New Orleans!*

**Friday, October 13, 2017** ~ Visit exhibits until 1:30 p.m.~

8:00 – Registration

Presiding: Teresa Thomason

8:30 – Alfred Showcase: From Solo to Concerto: Variety in the Studio

Presenters: Gayle Kowalchyk and E. L. Lancaster

9:30 – Michelle Sisler, Guest Clinician

CSI: Creating Successful Instruction

10:30 – General Session & Composition Winner Recital

Voting on Executive Board – your presence is imperative at this session!

11:30 – E.L. Lancaster, Guest Clinician

Piano for Life

12:30 – lunch on own or lunch meetings\*

\*lunch meetings on UNO Campus (collegiate/chapter presidents/ Rally board/special interest pedagogy groups)

\*Brown bag lunches must be pre-ordered with registration

*~Last chance to visit exhibits~*

1:30 – Starting an RMM Program in Your Church

Presenter: David Easley

1:30 – Brazilian Dance Music for Young Pianists

Presenter: Ana Paula Machado Simões, LSU Collegiate Student Presentation

2:30 – Master Class with Elizabeth Moak

3:45 – LMTA Teacher Ensembles

Presiding: Megan Shannon

4:15 – Upper Elementary Auditions

Presiding: Robin Yee