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Calendar of Events

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CONDUCTOR'S PODIUM: From Judy Anderson, President

Dear Guild Members,

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing summer. Everyone has been busy getting things organized for a very successful new year.

We have a lot of fun things happening this Fall, Winter, and Spring such as:

Our first General Meeting on Friday, September 8th, will be held at Susan Haskell's home, 3214 Rockledge Road. Our entertainment for that meeting is Lucy DeZa and Chip Williams as a duet on the piano. Come witness the dueling forces of this beautiful, four-hand piano ensemble as they delight us with musical repertoire spanning from the Baroque to the Contemporary era. It will surely be a performance you don't want to miss.

The New Member Wine and Cheese Party is on Thursday, October 26, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., at Cheree Carlton home, 1660 Warren Lane off Rocky Ridge Road. The Board and Sponsors of the New Members are asked to bring hors d'oeuvres and/or wine. The Sponsors are to make sure the New Members get there. It is a lot of fun and a great way for New Members to get to know others in the Guild.

The November General Meeting is Friday, November 10 at Kathy Miller's home, 65 Cross Creek Drive. The entertainment for this meeting is a guitar duo. It will be given by the Guitar instructor at UAB, Maria Bitran, and her duo partner.

The Prelude to the Holidays Christmas Party is always a lot of fun. Everybody who comes to that event brings either an hors d'oeuvres and/or a bottle of wine.

Our January General Meeting is Friday, January 12th, at Beth Adams' home, 2996 Park Brook Road. The entertainment for that meeting is Kimoni Duo (Flute and Harp). The harpist is Monica Hargrave (harp professor at UGA in Athens, GA and the flutist is our own Kim Strickland,

Music Director at ASFA and a National and International star playing Smooth Jazz. The Kimoni Duo will present a lovely program entitled "Hidden Treasures". Come and experience the hidden treasures found in repertoire for flute and harp as disco very becomes an inspirational journey for the musica. Senses. You surely don't want to miss this meeting.

The Rhythm and Muse Gala is our big fundraiser. It is on Saturday, January 27, 2018, at Birmingham Country Club in the East Room. There is a band, food, and of course, a Silent Auction. We always try to highlight one of our past Scholarship Winners to show people where their money is going. This year, our Honoree is Akilah Bryant Kidd, flute player and student of our own Kim Strickland at ASFA. She graduated from University of Montevallo and now is married and lives in Tuscaloosa. You don't want to miss this fun postholiday event.

There will be a Rhythm and Muse Gala meeting on Wednesday, September 27, at 10:00 a.m. at Canterbury United Methodist Church. Anyone interested in working on the Gala is encouraged to attend.

On Saturday, March 3, the Scholarship Tryouts will be held at Birmingham Southern College. We ask any members who are available to come and assist with the many applicants so that things can run as smooth as possible. Lunch is provided and snacks and drinks are donated by the membership if you are able or unable to help that day.

April 6th is our Scholarship Luncheon at Mountain Brook Club where our First Place winners are asked to perform as part of earning their scholarship.

May 11th is the New Member Coffee/Installation of Officers General Meeting. It will be held at Carmen Morrow's home, 3551 Kingshill Road. Old and New Board members are asked to come as well as all New Members and their sponsors.

Come join in the fun and go away with a new sense of classical music.

Judy Anderson

IMPORTANT PARKING/SHUTTLE INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 8 MEETING – SUSAN HASKELL'S HOME AT 3214 ROCKLEDGE ROAD:

There will be one shuttle driver for the meeting at Susan Haskell's home, Sarah Van Ohs. Cones will be placed at the driveway entrance to designate the pick-up point. If you know of another available volunteer shuttle driver, please contact Angie Holder at 966-3131.



2017-18 Membership Dues

We still have several members who have not renewed for 2017-2018. Each member is an important part of the Guild, so if you have not renewed, please consider sending in your dues. Your dues support the operating expenses of our organization.

Dues are \$40 per active member and \$45 per support member. Send your check to: The Guild, P.O. Box 530323, Birmingham, AL 35253

Questions? Contact Nancy Morrow, Acting Treasurer

From the BMC Executive Director's Desk...



"I cannot imagine my life if I didn't have a music program in my school." – Beyonce

"Music enhances the education of our children by helping them to make connections and broadening the depth with which they think and feel. If we are to hope for a society of culturally literate people, music must be a vital partr of our children's education." – Yo-Yo Ma

These quotes are from two important people in professional music - one a popular music star, and one a classical music star. Both acknowledge the importance of musical education. With the Birmingham Music Club Young People's Concert Series, we have blended musical education and entertainment. The school children who attend the concerts are learning about music and having fun at the same time! This year's concert is "Maestro Goes Around the World", and we will be playing songs from countries around the world. Won Cho, Professor of Opera at UAB, and his wife Kyoung, also a college professor, will be part of the ensemble this year. Originally from Korea, and touring the world as performers every summer, they will share their personal experiences with the children. And at every Young People's concert, the children meet each member of our 15-piece orchestra, see and hear their instruments. These concerts have become very successful. The teachers, as well as the students, love the concerts. There will be two performances, and the 9:30 concert is already sold out. Three thousand school children will attend this year. Many of the students who attend are from under served, inner city schools and this may be their first experience with a positive, upbeat, educational, and fun musical experience. As always, we thank The Guild for your support. Your ongoing support helps enable The Birmingham Music Club to present these wonderful programs for children.

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Time: 10:00 a.m. Coffee

10:30 a.m. Meeting and Program

Program: Kimoni Duo – Monica Hargrave and Kim

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Saturday, January 27, 2018 The Guild Gala: "Rhythm & Muse"

Country Club of Birmingham East Room 3325 Country Club Road, 35213

Music, Cocktail Supper, and Silent Auction

Saturday, March 3, 2018

Scholarship Auditions

Hill Hall, Birmingham Southern College

Friday, April 6, 2018 Spring Luncheon and Presentation of Scholarship Winners

Mountain Brook Club 19 Beechwood Road, 35213

Time: 11:00 a.m. Arrival

11:30 a.m. Luncheon and Program

Program: Performances by Scholarship Winners

Friday, May 11, 2018 Guild Coffee and Membership Meeting

Home of Mrs. Carmen Morrow 3551 Kingshill Road, 35223

Time: 10:00 a.m. Coffee

10:30 a.m. Meeting and Program

Program: Installation of Officers

The Guild of the Birmingham Music Club 2017-2018 Board Meetings

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Canterbury United Methodist Church 350 Overbrook Road, 35213 Room M116

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