TESSI Newsletter

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Quick Calendar

RECITAL

Saturday, Dec. 6th First Christian Church 306 W. Monroe, Carbondale 12:30 pm

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due 12/15 - Payment 5/11 \$10 late fee after 12/22

WINTER BREAK

Dec 22nd - Jan 3rd

Check with your teacher(s) for specific information about their scheduling plans for the Winter break. Classes resume January 4th.

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due 1/15 - Payment 6/11 \$10 late fee after 1/22

RECITAL

Sunday, Feb. 7th

** Baldwin Piano & Organ ** 200 N Park Ave, Herrin, IL Pre-Festival recital

TUITION PAYMENTS DUE

Due 2/15 - Payment 7/11 \$10 late fee after 2/22

* NFMC Junior Festival *

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 21st & 22nd

SIUC Campus, in Altgeld Hall and OBF Chapel.

Performance schedules TBA

Happy Holidays!

We hope all of you had a nice Thanksgiving break, and survived any Black Friday shopping adventures... 2014 has flown by and the new year is rapidly approaching, so we'll be wrapping things up for the Winter break before long.

We have one last recital for 2014 on the 6th, followed by the Lights Fantastic Parade, which was canceled last year due to weather. After that, many students will need to focus seriously on preparing for recitals and Junior Festival in February, and/or AIM Exams in March. There is plenty to keep everyone busy, and we hope there will be some music-making happening at home over the holidays. Who better to perform for than your friends and family, right kids?

Quick reminder: Be sure to maintain an instrument-friendly climate during the cold months!

~ We wish all of you a safe, healthy and happy holiday season!

Miscellaneous

For all students doing the Jr. Festival in February: Festival Fees are due to your teacher and payable to your teacher immediately. Please check with your teacher for amount due. No photocopies allowed - original music must be purchased.

Recital Dates

Upcoming recitals are scheduled on December 6th, February 7th, April 11th and June 6th.

Please note that the February recital will be held at Baldwin Piano & Organ, 200 N Park Ave., Herrin, IL.

Be sure to mark your 2015 calendars!

Other Important Dates

Junior Festival: February 21st and 22nd, 2015 at SIUC campus, in Altgeld Hall & OBF Chapel.

AIM Exams: March 23rd, 2013 at SIUC - Altgeld Hall and OBF

Gold Cup Recital: May 3rd, 2015 at SIUC - OBF Chapel; for students receiving Gold Cups in 2015.

Apparel & Tote Bags for Sale

We still have t-shirts, sweatshirts and tote bags for sale. We'd love to clear out inventory - let's make a deal! - see Teacher Alyce for sizes.

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We offer Pre-K Classes on Sunday as well as weekdays!



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Open spots available See Teacher Alyce

Receive a \$10 tuition credit for any/every student that enrolls in either program because of your referral. Thanks for spreading the word!

Send Us Your News !! If you have news to share, please send e-mail to newsletter@tessimusic.org with your submission, and we'll include it in the next issue.

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Student News!

You may remember us mentioning in our last newsletter that **Jasmine Noble** had successfully auditioned for the 2014 Southern Illinois Kids Got Talent competition. She went on to perform on September 13th at the Marion Civic Center where she earned a 2nd place finish. Congratulations to Jasmine!!

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Congratulations also go out to **Anthony Stoecker** on passing the Level 9 AIM exam with flying colors. Since Anthony is considering a major in music in college, the ISMTA has graciously given him permission to take two exams per year so that he can complete all 12 levels by the time he graduates from High School.

Hey, Listen Up!

Mr. Dave would like everyone to check out the new program on WSIU titled "Inside Classical Guitar". It airs on Wednesdays at 8pm. About the show (from the WSIU web page):

The weekly radio show from the St. Louis Classical Guitar Society created to promote and foster an understanding and appreciation of music, for the classical guitar, and allied fretted instruments such as the flamenco guitar, Baroque guitar, and Renaissance lute. The St. Louis Classical Guitar Society has existed since 1963 and has been presenting the finest guitarists and ensembles with guitar to St. Louis audiences since the mid-1970's.

I'm listening to the show as I write... Tonight they are playing guitar trios, and so far I've heard music from West Side Story, pieces by Gershwin, and arrangements of film music by Charlie Chaplin. These are from older recordings I have never heard before. Good stuff! Give the show a listen, they are doing a great job!

More info, and podcasts of older shows are available at:

http://www.guitarstlouis.net/



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