Dear Music Associates,

The date makes it seem that fall is here, but we can’t be sure, can we? However we do know we can count on the School of Music to schedule an amazing variety of concerts.

You did receive a calendar of events earlier, but if you can’t locate it, I’m sure Renee Gillespie (657-278-8683) will be happy to send you one.

You won’t want to miss many of these events: Faculty Chamber Series, University Symphony Orchestra with the concert choir, Opera Scenes, Jazz Singers. These are just a few of the groups who will be performing in our beautiful Meng Hall.

We look forward to seeing you at any of these events and, of course, the Candlelight Dinner on December 15th!

Musically yours,
Jeanne Blum, Co-President

Membership

Welcome to our new members and a special thanks to those who joined our growing number of Life Members!

Our usual Fall member reception and concert has been postponed until next semester. More to come about that soon.

By now you have received a letter inviting you to choose one of three musical events to attend, and bring a guest. I hope you will take advantage of the opportunity. Our membership is always open, so invite a friend to join you in supporting Cal State Fullerton musicians.

Betty Murphy, VP Membership

2019 Carol Candlelight Dinner—Sunday, December 15th

The Music Associates Board is busy preparing for our Carol Candlelight Dinner and Concert. Your invitation should have already arrived in your mailbox. This event has sold out in the past!

Please contact me or an MA Board member with the names and addresses of friends to whom you’d like an invitation sent. I hope to see you and your friends on December 15th!

Sandy Johnson, Carol Candlelight Chairperson

714-990-0871
The School of Music has an active social media presence, which shows the life of a CSUF music major and informs followers of events and activities. Here is a sampling of the recent posts on Facebook.
A Note from the Director

With Fall 2019 semester now at the midway point, our new and returning students have settled into the new academic year of classes, study and practice, lessons, rehearsals, and performances. This year, we welcomed a larger than usual group of new students to the School of Music: nearly 100 undergraduate freshman and transfer students, plus 30 new graduate students joined CSU Fullerton as music majors, pursuing degrees in music performance, music education, and other music areas. The faculty tells me that the new cohort of students are generally at a higher academic and musical level. Thank you for all you do in supporting these students!

The University Singers and Concert Choir will be performing in Carnegie Hall in February! Their stay in New York City will last five days, allowing time for everyone to have the educational opportunity to explore the city, its historic sites, and musical offerings, as well. They will perform their concert’s repertoire in January in Meng Hall, both as a preview to their Carnegie hall performance as well as a fundraiser for their trip. More soon on that event!

Also in January, we celebrate the history of the School of Music in a special exhibit at the University’s Pollak Library. The exhibit’s curator is our Dr. John Koegel who was awarded a grant for his work on researching and writing the School’s history. The opening reception will occur in late January and the exhibit will run through March 2020.

We hope you save the dates for two concerts in Spring featuring our faculty musical artists: February 23 and April 19 in Meng Hall. Each concert will feature a well-known guest artist who will collaborate with our faculty in performing mixed trios, quartets, and quintets of some of the most powerfully expressive masterworks of music. For the February 23 concert, Glenn Dichterow, former principal concertmaster of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, will be the featured guest artist, and on April 19, the featured guest artist will be Martin Chalifour, the concertmaster of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. Faculty performing will include Ning An, Alison Edwards, Jean Ferrandis, Bongshin Ko, Ernie Salem, Rob Watson, and Håkan Rosengren (who also serves as the concerts’ artistic director). Surrounding the performance will be other events, such as a pre-concert lecture and a reception. More details to follow!

Thank you, again, for all you do! And, I hope to see you soon at one of the many coming concerts.

Best wishes,
Katherine Powers

CSUF Music Associates Concerto / Aria Competition

The annual CSUF Music Associates Student Solo Concerto/Aria Competitions presented by School of Music and sponsored by the Music Associates, took place on October 21-25, in Meng Concert Hall at Clayes Performing Arts Center.

The competition is held in two rounds: Preliminary, within each of four Divisions (Keyboards, Winds/ Percussion, Strings/Guitar, Voice) and Final, with all finalists advanced from each Division. Among four first prize winners, one overall grand prize winner is selected at the final round. That person will be a featured soloist with the Symphony Orchestra on March 1, 2020 or the Wind Symphony on May 2, 2020. All rounds are adjudicated by Internationally acclaimed professional musicians invited from all around the nation.

As the Coordinator of the competitions for the past decade and Assistant Director of the School of Music, I have witnessed and much enjoyed the dramatic growth of student levels as well as the tireless contribution from our acclaimed faculty. As 56 aspiring student applicants competed this year, the School of Music proudly enjoyed beautiful music and accomplished performances during the competition week.

Many thanks to Music Associates for their continued support!

Bongshin Ko
Coordinator, Music Associates Solo Competitions
Professor of Cello / Assistant Director
Ralphs Reward Community Contribution Program October 2019 Update

**Ralphs no longer requires re-enrollment this year!** Therefore, if you enrolled or re-enrolled last year (September 2018), you remain enrolled.

Music Associates has added **$2,104.35** to our Scholarship Endowment Fund since joining the program in September 2013—thanks to registered members who are shopping at Ralphs!

**Please consider being a part of this program.** The 17 MA households with a registered Ralphs Reward Card added **$106.18** to our Endowment Fund between Sept. 1, 2018 and Aug. 31, 2019. Imagine how much we could collectively add to our Scholarship Endowment Fund if all Music Associates members registered their Ralphs card!

**Please register your Ralphs Reward Card today.**

No computer? No worries! Call Ralphs at **1-800-443-4438** (Mon.–Fri. 8 AM – 4 PM), and they will help you enroll your rewards card in ‘Music Associates of CSUF, NPO number AL074’.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ON-LINE (This means that you have already entered your email address and assigned yourself a password):

- Log in to [www.ralphs.com](http://www.ralphs.com) and follow the directions given.
- You’ll need to enter ‘Music Associates of CSUF’ and/or our NPO number AL074.
- Click on the circle to the left of Music Associates of CSUF
- Click on Enroll to finish your enrollment process.

**Thank you for your effort and continued support!**

Please contact Sandy Johnson (714-990-0871) if you have questions.

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Titan opera student Danielle Pribyl sang the national anthem on September 6th for CSUF Night at Dodger Stadium.

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**Save the Date!**

Carol Candlelight  
12-15-19

Music & Magic  
4-24-20

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Clayes Performing Arts Center Box Office  
657-278-3371