## PIANORAMA 2023 - TEACHER LETTER

**Pianorama**, sponsored by NAMTA provides an opportunity for students to perform piano duets in an ensemble setting. **Pianorama** dates are **December 8th, 9th, and 10th** at Lipscomb University, Collins Alumni Auditorium. Our guest conductor is **Seth Gregory**, notable pianist, conductor and educator. Our theme for 2023 is "It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas"

**Registration is September 15 - October 15 (online only)** The Registration Google Form will be available on the NAMTA website. Official rehearsal schedules will be released once registration ends.

Fees may be submitted online via the NAMTA website or ONE check made payable to NAMTA. To pay by check, include total amount of fees with the memo "Pianorama" and mail to NAMTA Treasurer Allison Ernst.

Review these guidelines carefully and discuss the commitment with your students and their parents. **Participating** teachers are expected to be present during rehearsals and help as needed.

We recommend that students have completed one (1) year of piano study. Place students in one level lower than their current playing ability. Match duet partners if possible from your studio. If you are playing with a student, include your name as the partner on the registration form.

All participants must use original copies of the repertoire—no photocopies.

All performers must have the following musical elements prepared prior to the rehearsals: key signatures, metronome markings indicated on the *Repertoire List*, notes, accidentals, rhythm, style, dynamics, slurs, staccatos, accents, pedal, and page turns.

<u>It is essential that teachers extensively prepare students for the event.</u> We recommend teachers schedule a performance opportunity for their students prior to the rehearsals. Partners must be able to read their music, play together, watch and follow the conductor, and strive for a polished performance.

Teachers should direct one full preparatory measure prior to playing during lessons.

## **Teacher Guidelines:**

- 1. Distribute the *Parent-Student Letter*. It is your responsibility to notify your students and their parents of the rehearsal schedules.
- **2. Fill out the Registration Google Form.** This must be filled out by the teacher. Only one form needs to be filled out per teacher. Parents may NOT fill out the registration form.
- **4. Collect the fees within your studio:** NAMTA members have no teacher participation fee. Non-NAMTA members must submit a teacher participation fee of \$25.00. All NAMTA and non-NAMTA teachers collect \$25.00 per participant (student, parent, family member, or friend) **Proceeds benefit the Young Artist Achievement Awards, and are non-refundable.**
- 5. Submit the Registration Google Form and fees via NAMTA Website OR one check made payable to NAMTA with the memo "Pianorama" Mail no later than October 15 to NAMTA Treasurer: Allison Ernst 5503A Tennessee Ave., Nashville, TN 37209
- **6. Extensively prepare students for rehearsals and the concert.** Provide a performance opportunity for your students prior to Pianorama weekend. All participants must have a physical copy of the music no photocopies.

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