

FSMTA District IX Fall 2010 Report

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PREVIOUS EVENTS

FSMTA District IX 2010 Conference was held at the University of Tampa on Saturday, January 16, 2010. Guest artist Grigorios Zamparas' program included the 24 Preludes, Op. 28 by Frederic Chopin, and the Symphonic Etudes, Op. 13 by Robert Schumann. A reception followed.

FSMTA District IX 2010 Concerto Competition was held on Saturday, March 20th- HCC, Ybor City Campus, Tampa. 40 students registered (12 in strings and 28 in piano). Judges were: Strings: Abe Feder, Meghan Jones, Virginia Lamboley; Piano: Laurent Boukobza, Leonidas Lipovetsky, Grigorios Zamparas. Fourteen teachers entered students in the event. *Please refer to "Summer2010 District IX President's Report" for complete list of winners and alternates.*

The 45th Annual Chopin Competition, on April 24, 2010, was sponsored by SPMTA, UPMTA and The Music Gallery. Thirteen students participated in the competition. Judges were: Rita Fandrich, Kenneth Hank, and Grigorios Zamparas. *Please refer to "Summer2010 District IX President's Report" for complete list of winners and alternates.*

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2010/11

FSMTA District IX 2011 Conference will be held on Jan 22 at Hillsborough Community College - Ybor City Campus (tentative location). Conference Artists will be the Duo Turgeon - Canadian pianists Anne Louise-Turgeon and Edward Turgeon - who currently serve as keyboard faculty and ensemble-in-residence at Florida Atlantic University's Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, School of the Arts, in Boca Raton.

FSMTA District IX 2011 Concerto Competition is scheduled for Saturday, March 19th. Theo Boylen is the Chairperson for the event to be held at Hillsborough CC-Ybor City campus. Our district typically has 30 to 40 entrants in piano and strings.

The 46th Annual Chopin Competition - a joint venture of SPMTA and UPMTA - will be held on Saturday, April 30th at the Music Gallery in Clearwater. Chairpersons are Kaen Pasquarello and Leland Peck.

A new joint SPMTA/UPMTA competition for strings - the Stradivarius Competition - will be held for the first time on Saturday April 9th at the Music Gallery. Chairpersons for the event are Alfred Gratta and Liesel Soley. This competition is held to recognize talented string students in three levels: Elementary Division (K-Grade 5); Junior Division (Grades 6-8); and Seniro Division (Grades 9-12).