

## FSMTA District IX Summer 2010 Report

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**FSMTA District IX Conference** (with Artist Recital & birthday party in honor of the 200th Birthdays of Chopin and Schumann) was held at the University of Tampa, Plant Hall Grand Salon 401 W. Kennedy Blvd. Tampa, FL on Saturday, January 16, 2010 from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm. The guest artist was UT faculty member Dr. Grigorios Zamparas, whose program included the 24 Preludes, Op. 28 by Frederic Chopin, and the Symphonic Etudes, Op. 13 by Robert Schumann. A reception followed the concert.

**2010 FSMTA District IX Concerto Competition** was held on Saturday, March 20th- HCC, Ybor City Campus, Tampa. There were 40 students registered: 40 (12 in strings and 28 in piano). The six judges were: Strings: Abe Feder, Meghan Jones, Virginia Lamboley; Piano: Laurent Boukobza, Leonidas Lipovetsky, Grigorios Zamparas. Fourteen teachers entered students in the event: Strings: Fred Gratta, Suyeun Jung-Yen, Yan Jiang Lu, Julia Ruby, Howard Yu; Piano: Betty Chester, Kinuyo Engelbrecht, Olga Glick, Ken Hanks, Suzanne Hollis, Vladimir Khokhlov, Jae Jung, Karen Pasquarello, and Ivanka Stefanov. The winners were: **Elementary Strings:** Winner - Daniel Park (Yan Jiang Lu), Alternate - Kimberly Dil (Julia Ruby); **Junior Strings: Winner** - Maria Kuge (Julia Ruby), Alternate - Madeleine Mahmoudi (Suyeun Jung-Yen), Hon. Mention - Emmeline MacMillan (Suyeun Jung-Yen), Margaux Stickney (Suyeun Jung-Yen); **Intermediate Strings:** Winner - Judy Park (Julia Ruby), Alternate - Cameron MacMillan (Fred Gratta), Hon. Mention - Alyssa Jouret (Suyeun Jung-Yen), Soosha Meaders (Julia Ruby); **Senior Strings:** Winner - Queenie Edwards (Yan Jiang Lu), Alternate - none declared, Hon. Mention - Ken Yu (Howard Yu); **Elementary Piano:** Winner - Julie Zhang (Olga Glick), Alternate - Minerva Nong (Olga Glick), Hon. Mention - Alexa Coe (Karen Pasquarello), Jennifer Luo (Olga Glick); **Junior Piano Winner** - Nadia Azzi (Kinuyo Engelbrecht), Alternate - Katherine Wang (Olga Glick), Hon. Mention - Kayla Ming (Kinuyo Engelbrecht); **Intermediate Piano** Winner - Jason Nong (Vladimir Khokhlov), Alternate - Daniel Zhang (Ken Hanks), Hon. Mention - Elaine Hou (Ken Hanks); Justin Ma (Jae Jung); **Senior Piano Winner** - none declared, Alternate - Kun Cao (Vladimir Khokhlov), Hon. Mention - Jennifer Yu (Vladimir Khokhlov). The 2010 Winner's Recital, scheduled for Sunday, May 16th, 7:00 pm, HCC, Ybor, was cancelled because only three out of eight winners were available to perform.

**The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Chopin Competition**, on April 24, 2010, was sponsored by SPMTA, UPMTA and The Music Gallery. The competition began at 11 am and concluded at 3:20 pm. Thirteen students participated in the competition. Judges were: Rita Fandrich, Kenneth Hank, and Grigorios Zamparas. The winners were: First Place: Clarence Yang (Karen Pasquarello), Second Place: James Tian (Kinuyo Engelbrecht), Third Place: Ambika Anand (Karen Pasquarello). Certificates of participation were presented to all students. The winners received certificates and cash prizes (1<sup>st</sup> place 150.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl 100.00; 3<sup>rd</sup> Pl 80.00). Plaques were presented to the winners. A permanent plate with the first place winner's name engraved on it stays on display at the Music Gallery.