

Mid-South Flute Society

Newsletter

Summer 2010

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Reflections from Our President

Welcome! As we start summer, many of our members are embarking on exciting projects: learning new pieces, performing in beautiful locales, attending summer workshops, teaching at music camps, and participating in many other exciting activities. I am personally looking forward to learning several new pieces this summer that I will incorporate into my own teaching including ones that I have learned from attending flute festivals. I am especially excited (after being busy having two babies since December 2007) to finally have time to learn pieces like our former festival guest artist Ian Clarke's *Great Train Race*. To get *your* creative juices flowing as we approach summer, you'll find many interesting items here.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to say thank you to all of you who make our organization possible. We have many faithful sponsors and teachers who devote their time and expertise so that others can learn and grow artistically, and it is a rewarding experience to see that happen each year in the form of our fantastic festival. It is always exciting to see Flute Festival Mid-South come to fruition from the early planning stages through the closing concert. I am always inspired by great performers at our festival, and I look forward each year to hearing works I do not know, seeing friends, and thinking about new ideas that come from others. We hope that this newsletter, much like our festival, will be a forum for all things flute, and we are interested in your ideas, articles and participation not only around festival time, but throughout the year.

The Mid-South Flute Society has grown tremendously over the years, and we look forward to continuing to grow and be a relevant source for flutists of all stripes. My best goes out to all of you for a happy, healthy and fun-filled summer. Maybe we will see each other at NFA in August?

Sincerely,

Stephanie Rea
President, Mid-South Flute Society
Associate Professor, Murray State University

Pictures from Flute Festival Mid-South 2010

Dr. Bret Pimentel
(Delta State University)



Duo Elegancia (Paula Van Goes and Jessica Dunnivant)



Fun in the exhibit hall with former MSFS President Beverly Vance!



Guest Artist **Denis Bouriakov**

Board members (l to r): Tracey Schmidt, Diane Boyd-Schultz, and Shelley Collins



Welcome to our newest board member!

Member-at-large **Kelly Gildner Crofts** was elected by the general membership at FFMS 2010. She also serves as coordinator for the College Masterclass Competition.



Kelly Crofts has been a music faculty member of Jacksonville State University since 2003. As Flute Instructor, she teaches applied flute and coaches various flute chamber ensembles. Mrs. Crofts received her Bachelor of Music in Flute Performance from the University of Central Florida and her Master of Music Education from Southern Methodist University. Her primary teachers have included Claire Johnson, Nora Lee Garcia and Susan McQuinn. Kelly is currently principal flutist in the Gadsden Symphony Orchestra and has been featured with the Calhoun County Civic Chorale and the Alabama Symphony Strings. She is also a member of the JSU Faculty Woodwind Trio.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS

Young Artist

1st Prize: Abi Coffey

2nd Prize: Chia-Jung Lee

3rd Prize: Sang-Ae Kim

High School Artist

1st: Michelle Lee

2nd: Lauren Ford

3rd: Megan Baldwin



Young Artist Winners

We are pleased to announce future sites for FFMS!

March 18-19, 2011: Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN

Guest Artist: Rhonda Larson

March 2012: University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

The Mid-South Flute Society welcomes contributions to our newsletter. Members should email the editor at jgdunnavant@comcast.net with flute news from their area, upcoming flute events, and suggestions for the newsletter. We also accept article submissions on topics relating to the culture, history and pedagogy of the flute. The deadline for inclusion in the Fall 2010 newsletter is August 15, 2010.

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