

New England Regional Newsletter Fall 2013

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A note from your Regional Director

Dear Harpist!

Hope you are having a great fall and enjoying our fabulous weather so far-may it continue! We are very excited about more than just the fantastic Red Sox World Series Win!

I encourage all harpists: students, professionals, and harp enthusiasts to renew or become members of the American Harp Society and enjoy the many benefits available to members. I urge you to become involved in both the National and local chapters, to ensure the Society continues to move in a positive and progressive direction.

Annual dues to both the American Harp Society and your local chapter are important to keep the organization strong. You can access applications and renewals forms online at ww.harpsociety.org. National dues are \$35 students, \$50 adults. Please note that officers to both Boston and Connecticut chapters MUST be members of the national AHS.

Please email the Executive Secretary, Ashanti Pretlow, at execsecretary@harpsociety.org or call 205.795.7130 with questions about National dues. Check with your local officers for information about your chapter dues.

The AHS Directory is a great resource to connect with harpists from all over the world. Remember to check your listing in the AHS Directory for accuracy. Any changes can be submitted to our Executive Secretary, Ashanti Pretlow. Please contact Ashanti with email address changes, as well. You can also complete a member profile online at www.harpsociety.org.

There are lots of harp activities going on and know you will want to participate! Contributing harpists include Rebecca Bogers, Susan Knapp Thomas, Judith Kogan, Nancy Hurrell, and Cynthia Price Glynn. Let's get to the news in the Region!

AHS National News

Harp Carnivale 2014

American Harp Society 41st National Conference in New Orleans

June 22-25, 2014

Astor Crown Plaza Hotel in the French Quarter

Chairman: Catherine Anderson

For information visit New Orleans Conventions & Visitors Bureau

12th World Harp Congress July 2014

Sydney, Austrailia

Visit World Harp Congress for information

YOUTH ENSEMBLE CONTEST APPLICATION

Harp Carnivale will feature several of the nation's best established student harp ensembles in a special concert during the American Harp Society 41st National Conference at the Crowne Astor Plaza Hotel in New Orleans. Directors of student ensembles made up of harpists through college age are invited to submit an application and current recording of their group's select repertoire to the Harp Carnivale Student Ensemble Selection Committee by January 20, 2014.

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Boston Chapter

Fall Recital/Chapter Meeting

Join us on November 10 for the Fall Student Recital. Students interested in performing should email Amanda Romano AFRharp@gmail.com by November 2nd to sign up. Spots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Emails should include:

- 1. Harpist name
- 2. Piece to be Performed-including composer and performance time
- 3. Teacher's name and contact information
- 4. What kind of harp you will be bringing.

Our Fall Chapter Meeting will follow the student performances and all chapter members are encourage to come and celebrate our student's accomplishments during the post-recital reception!

Membership Renewal

Please remember to renew your AHS-Boston 2013-2014 membership: \$30/adults, \$15/students.

The form can be downloaded from our website

http://www.ahsboston.org/membership-form

Please mail your form to AHS-Boston Chapter, POB 230483, Boston, MA 02134

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Chapter Events:

AHS Student Recital

November 10, 2013, 4pm Beveridge Hall at the Dana Hall School

Maeve Gilchrist and The Ostinato Project
Tuesday, November 12 7:30pm FREE
David Friend Recital Hall (Berklee College of Music) 921 Boylston St
http://www.berklee.edu/events/ostinato-project

Distinguished Harpist-Xavier de Maistre November 17, 2013, 7pm, 18 Chase St., Newton, MA *SOLD OUT!!!*

"Gloria" concerts - Nancy Hurrell & Cappella Clausura
December 7, 14, 15
visit NancyHurrell.com and http://www.clausura.org/concerts.html

Boston Harp Ensemble Fest January 19, 2014 New England Conservatory

Boco Harp Gala January 25, 2014 Boston Conservatory

Pat Dougal Technician Demo and Class February 22, 2014 Boston Conservatory

AHS Spring Student Recital March 9, 2014 Beveridge Hall at the Dana Hall School

Events by Boston Harpists

Share your harp event here! We want to know when you are playing- so email us at AHS.Boston@gmail.com

Stephanie Curcio has developed a feature on her website, www.stephaniecurciopublications.com, called, "Little Lessons". Please contact Stephanie scpron@comcast.net to learn more about it.

Classifieds

We will be listing classifieds in this bottom section of our emails, if you have something you would like listed here please submit it to AHS.Boston@gmail.com

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Connecticut Chapter News

Fri. Nov. 15 - Solo Show - 8pm

"The KATE" - Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center- Deborah Henson-Conant Old Saybrook, CT

Sunday, November 17: Student Master Class with Wendy Kerner on Holiday/Non-Holiday Solo Repertoire and Ensemble parts Held at the home of Pat Kendziorski in Danbury, 1:00pm

Sunday, February 9, 2014: Chapter Recital Featuring Transcriptions of both CT Harpists and other Living Harpists The Home of Lisa Tannebaum, Stamford CT, Time TBA (Snow Date Feb. 23)

Sunday, March 9, 2014: Workshop: "Stage Presence and Performance Jitters" with Beckey Squire and Susan Knapp Thomas First Church of Christ UCC Middletown, CT Time TBA

Sunday, June 1, 2014 Chapter Recital: Westport. Time and Location TBA.

Auditions/Evaluations, September 6, 2014, Madison, CT w/ follow-up date to be scheduled.

Membership

Dues are \$15.00 for a student (in school up to age 21), Regular membership \$20, and \$30.00 for a family membership (2-4 members), \$40 Contributing Member. \$50.00 Sustaining Member, \$100 Patron of the Chapter., \$500.00 Benefactor. Membership year begins September 1st and ends August 31st of the following year. To download (PDF) Membership form click here.

Reciprocal memberships

It has been agreed by the presidents of four tri-state area chapters of the American Harp Society, Metropolitan New York (MetroHarpNYC), New Jersey, Connecticut, and Long Island to extend a reciprocal membership to the members of these four chapters. For only \$10 per reciprocal chapter, provided you have first purchased a membership in your home area, entitles you to attend all meetings provided by the chapters of your choice.

MetroHarp members please contact:

LI: Karen Strauss at harpist@optonline.net

NJ: Diane Michaels at bassnharp@verizon.net

CT: Susan Farmer at K9sR4all@comcast.net

You will be sent a registration form and a newsletter from each reciprocal chapter you choose.

Items for Sale/Rent

Selling from Western MA a Lyon & Healy 85E walnut harp serial # 13099, 46 strings, extended sound board, no detail, mainly new strings, excellent condition & beautiful sound, original owner since new in 1998, includes cover, base cover, key, additional new strings, & harp dolly for 16,500 or best offer. Pictures upon request.

E-mail: bcooper2@gmail.com or 413-222-4720

For Sale: Located in Brookline, MA 02467L&H Style 30, Ebony # 17258 (7 years old) \$19,900 47 strings, extended sound board. Warm, even and brilliant sound. Minor scratches on base and column. Regularly regulated by L&H certified harp technician, most recently in November 2012. The harp comes with a cover and tuning key. (Photos available upon request.) Please contact Barbara Poeschl-Edrich, DMA (617) 323 4717 or BPEharps@earthlink.net

Harp for sale: Lyon & Healy Style 20, #2051, gold semi-grand (45 strings), extended board. Completely rebuilt, gilding restored, beautiful even tone. Pictures and further description at Swansonharp.com Contact: 617-983-0945, marthamoorharp@gmail.com

Harps for rent: Wurlitzer semi-grand, gold, extended board, excellent condition, great tone, \$195/month. Lyon & Healy Troubadour I and Lyon & Healy Troubadour II, each \$60/month. 617-983-0945, marthamoorharp@gmail.com

For Sale: Two Harp Transport covers, made by the Enchanted Harps in the state of Washington. New condition.

1. One was made for a 47 string harp. Original cost \$345. Sacrifice for \$175 2 The second one they made a little too short so it can also be used for a 46 string harp. Selling price \$75.00

Both come with a base cover.

For information: Telephone, 617-787-5928 e-mail giveharpatry@aol.com

Looking forward to a year rich with many harp activities! Please come and share the music and we look forward to seeing you at many of these exciting events!

Warm wishes, Felice

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