



OMTA Conference 2008

July 16-17, World Forestry Center,
4033 SW Canyon Road, Portland, Oregon
held in conjunction with the
Portland International Piano Festival

Conference Events

**“Music Instruction in the 21st Century” and “The Role of Experience,
Imagery and Self-Talk in Shaping Peak Performance”
presented by Julianne Miranda, NCTM, MTNA
Deputy Executive Director and Chief Information Officer**

**Syllabus, Board, and General Membership Meetings,
National Certification Exams**

**Portland Spirit Dinner Cruise, Foundation Fundraiser
Entertainment provided by Portland District members
Wednesday evening, July 16**

**OMTA Luncheon, The Oregon Zoo Cascade Crest Banquet Center
Thursday mid-day, July 17**

**Music Link Reception, World Forestry Center
Thursday early afternoon, July 17**

**Refer questions to the Conference Chair, Susan Todd,
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Conference Event Details

- **Meetings at the World Forestry Center**

OMTA Syllabus Adjudicators will meet over lunch, 12:00-1:15 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16.

Bring your own, or purchase an optional box lunch.

OMTA Syllabus Advisory Committee will meet 1:30-2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16.

OMTA State Board will meet 3:00-4:15 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16.

OMTA General Membership will meet 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 17.

- **Julianne Miranda presentations**

Music Instruction in the 21st Century (Or, “I’ve Got a Feeling We’re Not in Kansas Anymore”) Wednesday, July 16, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Using the changing landscape of the information age as a backdrop (and a light-hearted analogy to a wonderful movie of the 20th century), we will explore the implications for how we advance our profession and survive the intersection of technology in a traditionally high-touch profession.

The Role of Experience, Imagery and Self-Talk in Shaping Peak Performance

Thursday, July 17, 10:15-11:15 a.m. This presentation will explore the role of self-talk, imagery and experience in the preparation for performance and discuss ways to retrain the mental and kinesthetic habits that can take over in the midst of performance.

- **Portland Spirit Dinner Cruise**

Come enjoy a 2½ hour sunset cruise of the lovely Willamette River, entertainment by OMTA members Alena Dubauskaya, Vanessa Jump Nelson and Ruth Sadilek, a delicious plated dinner and a no-host bar at a cost of only \$60 (non-conference price \$75). Proceeds will go to the funding of the MTNA Foundation Fellow program, which in turn benefits students and teachers throughout MTNA. Entrée choices: Salmon Fillet with Gremolata, White Wine and Lemon Infused Olive Oil, Breast of Chicken with Prosciutto and Basil Stuffed with Hollandaise Sauce or Wild Mushroom Ravioli with Caramelized Onion, Tomato and Basil Chardonnay Sauce. Shuttle Bus transportation will be provided from the World Forestry Center to the Salmon Street Dock, or visit www.PortlandSpirit.com for directions.

- **Luncheon**

Held in the place of our regular evening Banquet, Conference Luncheon events will include recognition of MTNA Fellows, Honorary Lifetime Members and Teacher Certification achievements. Chefs from the acclaimed Oregon Zoo Catering will prepare their *Pacific Rim Buffet*, which includes Asian Slaw with Shrimp and Cucumber, Teriyaki Pork Loin, Vegetable Stir Fry, and Orange-Mango Cheesecake with fruit salsa. The Zoo’s facility is within walking distance of the World Forestry Center.

- **Music Link Reception**

Students of OMTA’s MusicLink program have created a CD of their work which will be premiered at the OMTA conference. Students will be honored at a reception immediately following the OMTA luncheon.

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Conference Schedule

Wednesday, July 16

12:00-1:15 p.m.	Syllabus Adjudicators Meeting
1:30-2:45 p.m.	Syllabus Advisory Board
2:00-5:00 p.m.	Certification Exams
3:00-4:15 p.m.	OMTA State Board Meeting
4:30-5:30 p.m.	“Teaching in the 21 st Century”, Julianne Miranda
5:45 p.m.	Busses leave World Forestry Center
6:30-6:45 p.m.	Embarkation for Portland Spirit Cruise
9:30-9:45 p.m.	Busses leave for Forestry Center and Fairfield Hotel

Thursday, July 17

9:00-10:00 a.m.	OMTA General Membership Meeting
10:15-11:15 a.m.	“Shaping Peak Performance” , Julianne Miranda
11:30-1:00 p.m.	OMTA Luncheon, The Oregon Zoo
1:15-2:00 p.m.	Music Link Reception, World Forestry Center

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General Information

Housing

Please make your own hotel reservations by June 14. OMTA has negotiated a special rate with the **Beaverton Fairfield Inn & Suites Marriott**, 15583 NW Gateway Court: \$119 for a double-queen or king room. It is just a five minute drive from the Sunset Transit Center for a quick Max ride to the World Forestry Center, or 15 minutes drive to the Forestry Center, depending on traffic. Be sure to mention OMTA when calling, **503-972-0048**. Website: www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/pdxfh-fairfield-inn-and-suites-portland-west-beaverton

Thanks to a generous grant from the Nellie Tholen Fund, a rebate of \$75 per night, up to three (3) nights, is available for members traveling more than 40 miles and attending the conference **and** part or all of the Portland Piano International Festival.

If you would prefer to stay in a downtown Portland hotel, refer to the Portland Piano Festival for arrangements they have made with the Heathman and Paramount hotels. Reimbursement forms will be posted on the OMTA website. You may stay in any hotel you wish, but a copy of your hotel bill must accompany the lodging rebate request form.

Transportation

All festival events are accessible by **Portland Tri-Met's MAX train**. Visit www.Tri-Met.org for more information. Conference registrants can request up to four all-day train passes. For those traveling by car, there is free parking at the Zoo/World Forestry Center.

A chartered bus will make transportation to and from the Portland Spirit Cruise more accessible. The bus will depart at 5:45 p.m. from the World Forestry Center and return participants to the World Forestry Center and the Beaverton Fairfield Inn hotel. Be sure to indicate number of riders on the registration form.

Piano Festival

For the best seats, register soon for the **Young Pianists Institute** and/or **PianoFest**. OMTA members receive additional discounts on their festival registrations, courtesy of the Nellie Tholen grant. Since our primary conference program is to attend the Piano Festival, housing rebates are available only when members register for both the OMTA Conference and part or all of the Piano Festival. For full details, visit www.PortlandPiano.org.

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