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SBMC MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Our 38th season kicked off with a great concert on October 13th. Thank you to performers **Michael Shasberger, Neil di Maggio, Andrea di Maggio, Nicole McKenzie, and Betty Oberacker.**

The SBMC Board had their first **Board Retreat** in September, hosted by Marilyn Gilbert and Nate Rundlett, our Treasurer and Vice President. Among the exciting topics discussed was our upcoming **40th season in 2010.** I thank all who attended: **Betty Oberacker, Emil Torick, Hal Isbitz, Marilyn Gilbert, Gail Embree, Robert Else, John Sonquist, Nathan Rundlett, Ann Dwelley,** and myself. Special thanks to our very able facilitator, **Arlene Steputat.**

At our October 15th Board meeting, we made important improvements to the **SBMC Mission Statement**, which now reads: *"The mission of the Santa Barbara Music Club is to contribute to the musical life of our community through the following: (1) Presentation of an annual series of concerts, free to the public, featuring outstanding solo and chamber music performances by members and invited guests; (2) Promotion of American music and artists; (3) Presentation of workshops and other community outreach activities, including bringing great music to residents of area retirement homes; (4) Aiding and encouraging musical education by the disbursement of scholarships to talented local music students."* We will vote on this at the Nov. 7th concert.

The preparation of the SBMC YEARBOOK is underway. We still have a few members who have not renewed. We would love to have you in the yearbook. Please send in your renewal by the extended deadline of **November 1st. Please call Nathan Rundlett at 969-7183.**

Finally, a very special thank you to **Larry Disharoon and Diane Galvan** for their generous support of our Scholarship program.

-- Tom Turner, President

Beethovenfest to Benefit SBMC

World-renowned cellist **Christine Walevska** and the exciting Polish pianist Wojciech Kocyan are the featured guest artists at this year's Fifth Annual Santa Barbara Beethovenfest, to be held Friday and Saturday, December 7th and 8th at 7:30 p.m. in the beautiful Marjorie Luke Theatre. The December 7th concert benefits the Santa Barbara Music Club. The December 8th concert will feature Young Pianist's Beethoven Competition Winner **Ashley Hsu.** Don't miss this chance to hear these exciting artists, and help the SBMC as well. Tickets are \$35 (12/7) and \$25 (12/8), and are available at Santa Barbara Sheet Music, corner of Santa Barbara and Figueroa Streets, Santa Barbara, 966-3113, or by mail to Santa Barbara Beethovenfest, 1100 Mesa Road, Montecito, CA 93108, or by fax at 805-565-1932. Visit www.sbbeethovenfest.org for a ticket order form and more information.

Saturday November 17 – 3:00 PM Faulkner Gallery

Santa Barbara Public Library Main Branch
40 E. Anapamu @ Santa Barbara Street
FREE ADMISSION

Five Mystical Songs Ralph Vaughn Williams

Nathan Rundlett, baritone
Vocal Ensemble
Betty Oberacker, piano

Sonata in F major, K. 497
Fantasy in F minor, D. 940

Mozart
Schubert

Betty Oberacker and Steven Schneider,
piano four-hands

Wednesday November 7 – 11:00 AM

Faulkner Gallery
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FREE ADMISSION

Grande Gigue in D minor Hässler
Randolph Scherp, piano

Fantasie Brillante on Carmen Themes Borne
Suzanne Duffy, flute
Renée Hamaty, piano

Three Original Piano Rags Hal Isbitz
1. Marigolds (2004)
2. Opalescence (1990)
3. Tulsey Town Rag (2007) – Winner of "Ragtime for Tulsa Foundation Competition"

Hal Isbitz, piano

Romantic and Impressionistic Songs and Arias
Jane Hahn, soprano
David Potter, piano

Emma Lou Diemer Celebrations

The **SBMC Distinguished Member Award** was presented to composer and SBMC board member, Emma Lou Diemer at a lovely October 27th luncheon to honor her contributions and extraordinary performing and composing talents. Congratulations Emma Lou and Happy 80th Birthday!

On **Sunday, Nov. 18 at 2:00 PM**, the First Presbyterian church will host a recital and birthday reception for long time SBMC member and Organist Emerita **Emma Lou Diemer.** Come hear Emma Lou's music for Piano and Organ Duo, Violin, Voice, Piano solo and Organ solo, played by Emma Lou's many friends and colleagues from UCSB and the Church. This free recital will last about an hour. A birthday reception will follow. forward to seeing you at this joyous occasion!

The celebration for Emma Lou's 80th birthday continues **Wednesday December 12th** with the **SBMC Gala Concert at the Unitarian Society**, our traditional holiday concert.



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Yearbook Deadline: Nov. 1st

The **SBMC YEARBOOK** is being prepared, listing all our members. We would love to see your name, but we won't unless you renew by the final deadline of November 1st. Download the renewal form at www.sbmusicclub.org and send it to P.O. Box 3974, Santa Barbara, CA 93130. Or call **Nathan Rundlett** at **805-969-7183**. Benefits include this Newsletter, listing in our Yearbook, and knowing that you are supporting our free high-quality concerts and other musical community outreach activities. Thank you!!

Workshops

A workshop will be held Saturday November 10, 2:00 PM at Wood Glen Hall, 3010 Foothill Road. For more information contact Gail Embree at 966-9231. Please join us to perform on a beautiful Steinway concert grand for a small and appreciative audience of Wood Glen Hall residents.

Volunteers

We are looking for enthusiastic Music Club members to assist with the mailing of the Newsletter or distribution of programs at our concerts. It's a great way to make new friends and help us out!. Contact Andriana at 685-8982.

Free Advent Organ Concerts

Don't miss the **Free Advent Organ Series** at Trinity Episcopal Church, Sundays at 3:30 pm.

- Dec. 2: Mahlon E. Balderston
- Dec. 9—Charles Talmadge
- Dec. 16—Emma Lou Diemer
- Dec. 23—David A. Gell

Quire of Voyces

Our local beloved **Quire of Voyces** December concerts are Saturday December 15, 7:00 PM, and Sunday December 16, 3:00 PM, at St Anthony's Seminary, 2300 Garden Street. Reserve tickets at 965-5935.