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AUGUST 2026

Welcome! What's New?



New Location

Our meetings will take place at Centerville Library (September), BDAC (March Masterclass) and Heather Smith's Studio 530 East 100 South, Centerville, Utah.

We will miss meeting at Bountiful Music. Please continue to support their new store in Kaysville.

Extra Events

Cultural Events for this year include two Utah Symphony concerts: September & January. Discounted tickets to chapter members are on a first-come-first served basis, coordinated by Diana Portzline (801-882-0945)

Book Club three times a year led by Jennifer Jackson. (801-718-3682)
jenniferjacksonpiano@gmail.com
The first book is *Learn Faster, Perform Better* by Molly Gebran.



Club LP (Listen & Play Every Day) is a teacher challenge for 75 & 150 days!





UMTA Davis

2026-2027
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SEP

08

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

"Recitals that Rock"
Bridget Johansen

OCT

23-24

ALL DAY

UMTA State Conference
Thanksgiving Point

NOV

10

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

***"Musically: Looking
Beyond the Notes"***
Gretchen Tanner

DEC

08

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

***Holiday Party &
Luncheon***

JAN

12

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

"Caring For Your Piano"
Tiffany Bailey

FEB

09

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

The "Once and For All"
Cafe
Rosemary Olsen

MAR

TBD

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

***Dr. Yu-Jane Yang
Masterclass***

APR

13

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

***"The Ensemble Experience:
Unexpected Lessons from
Playing Together"***
Dr. Christie Sowby

MAY

12

10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

***One Size Fits Some:
Exploring the Benefits of
Smaller Sized Keys***
Valarie Beer

Be part of a network of music teachers: local, state, and national membership.
Student Programs, Honors Recital April 2027, Achievement in Music (AIM) & more!



Meetings held at Centerville Library & Heather Smith's Studio.
Holiday social location TBA.

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TO CONNECT**

STUDENT EVENTS

State Performance Evaluations

The top 20% are selected to perform in the State Honors Recitals prior to the State Conference.

Chapter Honors Recitals

We have two spring recitals for different levels (Elem./Inter. & Inter./Advanced). Students will need to submit an unlisted YouTube video. Pieces can be from memory or with music as long as a well-prepared performance is recorded. Coordinator: Kerri Green.

Assessments: 1. AIM, 2. RCM

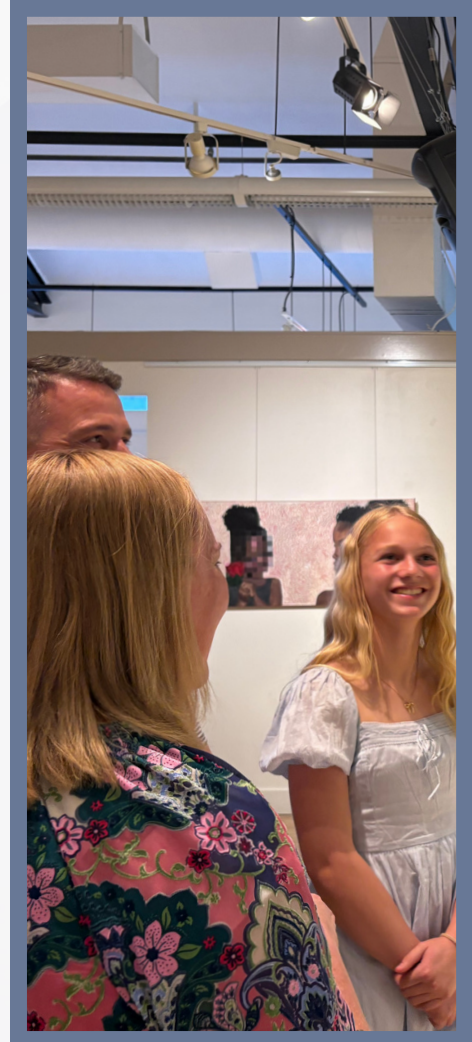
Composition Competitions

Community Events: Plan to Participate

Barbara Gill coordinates a community group for the **UofU Piano Area Monster Concert**. May 5, 2027. Participation fee and rehearsals are required. Fun is the outcome! 30 performers on 15 pianos at Libby Gardner Concert Hall!

The UofU Liszt Festival is held in October/November and the Bach Festival is held in March. All instruments are welcome in the Bach Festival. Let's celebrate Bach's birthday by performing his timeless music!

A community events list and teacher referral file will be kept on the "Davis UMTA Chapter" private Facebook group. Also join the "Utah Music Teachers Association - Members Discussion Group."



Achievement In Music

The new AIM program is fabulous!
Registration = Due September 30.
Studio testing = submitted by the March chapter meeting.
AIM day = April 17, 2027.

What a great opportunity to prep our students for theory, technic, sight-reading, performance, listening, and more!