Dear Parents and Students,

Hopefully you are feeling the cooler temperatures around the corner as we look towards all of our Fall events at Coppell Conservatory. October is an especially busy month and students are finally seeing the rewards from their hard work as they attend Solo Contests, Fall Festival and see their results from September’s performance classes posted on our Wall of Fame!

You may be seeing a few new faces around Coppell Conservatory this month. Below, I welcome two new piano teachers to our staff. As always, I thank you for trusting us in the music education for your students and staying with us as we add the staff to support your student's musical endeavors! Our new staff members, Ms. Wang and Mr. Garcia, are so excited to be part of your students learning.

Now that we have settled into routines and schedules, please make sure part of your daily routine includes practice time with your instrument. School can be demanding with daily homework, and even a short amount of daily practice on our busiest days keeps our learning retained and moving forward. If you would like more practice tips, I will be sharing a few articles on our Facebook page in the next few weeks!

Best Regards,
Liana Bramlett, Director

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Welcome to Ms. Vickey Wang!

Vickey Wang, reared in a family of musicians, received her bachelor degree from the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing and Master of Music degree from the Manhattan School of Music in New York. Ms. Wang is the Winner of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions Boston District in 2018. Ms. Wang taught private piano, private voice and group piano in Beijing from 2010-2015. From 2015-2019, she taught private vocal and piano lessons at the Xinghai Conservatory of Music and the PIANO VARSE Piano School in New York. In 2019, she came to Texas to continue her Ph.D. degree at the
Welcome to Mr. Rodrigo Garcia!

Mr. Rodrigo Garcia is a pianist with more than 30 years of experience as a freelance musician and 20 years of experience as a dedicated piano teacher. He received his formal musical education with emphasis in classical piano at the Conservatory Antonio María Valencia in Cali-Colombia. Rodrigo acquired a passion for the popular styles of music from an early age, and, is now a specialist in the styles of jazz, rock, pop, ballad, folklore, fusion and electroacoustic music. To further his studies, in 1997 Rodrigo went to The Bruckner Conservatorium of Jazz in Linz Austria for an intensive year of studies in Pianojazz and Piano Ensemble where he studied under the guidance of Dean Pechenko.

Events & Closures in October

**CMTA Piano Solo Contest**  
October 5th

**CMTA Piano Fall Festival**  
October 12th & 13th

**Fall Break - No Lessons**  
Tuesday, October 15th - Saturday, October 19th

**Fall Theory Test**  
October 26th

**Piano Halloween Recitals**  
October 26th & 27th

New Musicianship Class Offered!

Ms. Creider has added an additional Musicianship Class to our previously scheduled class list. The class will be held on **Friday from 4:15-5:00 PM** for students in grades 3-5.
If you would like to join Musicianship classes for the 2019-2020 school year, and this class or any other class offering works for your schedule, please contact our office to enroll. Musicianship provides the necessary teaching to be successful on the written and aural skills portion of the TMTA state theory exam, as well as music history lessons and the fun opportunity to work in ensembles for the spring semester with your class and perform on our ensemble recital!

**Group Piano Classes Using Remind App for Classes!**

Our group piano classes will begin using the REMIND app again this year to quickly inform parents of pertinent information in the Group Piano Classrooms. If you are in Asher’s Group Piano and not receiving messages yet, please contact Asher to get added to the distribution!

**Performance Class Results!**

Performance Class Results have been posted on the Wall of Fame outside of the Recital Hall. Please make sure you check this wall the week following a performance class to see your results! All students who have received a I or a I+ result will be posted here for everyone to see!

**Upcoming Events:**
- November 4th - 9th - Piano Performance Classes
- November 11th - 16th - Guitar, Violin, Voice Performance Classes
- November 2nd - Dallas Solo Contest & Strings Festival
- November 3rd - CMTA Piano Master Class & Strings Festival
- November 9th - 10th - CMTA Rotating Festival
- November 11th - Adult Student Event
- November 25th - 30th - Thanksgiving Break - No Lessons

**Makeup Lesson Policy**

Students are allowed **2 group make-up classes per school year.** Contact the office to schedule all makeup lessons.

**Music for Sale in Lobby**

We have a number of pieces that are available for sale at a deep discount in our lobby! Feel free to browse the selection and then notify the office if you would like to purchase. Most are popular pieces that either have a few marks in them or have been bent and can’t be sold as new.

**Helpful Reminders**

Help Us Grow!
• Tuition is due on the 1st of the month. All Tuition not received by the 7th of the month will be subject to a late fee.
• All lessons are on-going throughout the 2019-2020 school calendar year. We do require a 30 day notice to withdraw from lessons.
• All schedule changes must be made through the office and not with your lesson teacher.
• Please call or email our offices if you will be absent from a lesson for any reason.

Please share with your friends, family and co-workers that Coppell Conservatory offers a number of options for music education! Registration for classes is always ongoing, so new students may join at any time.
We offer:
• Early Childhood Music Classes (Ages 3-5)
• Group Piano for all Ages
• Adult Piano Courses
• Private Piano, Guitar, Violin and Voice
• Musicianship for Piano and Violin

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Our staff is available to answer any questions you might have about the Coppell Conservatory and about the services it offers.
The administrative offices are open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Classes and lessons are available through 9:00 pm weekdays and through 4:00 pm on Saturdays)