

# Prelude

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As this joyous season comes to a climax, I hope you can find time to pause for a moment and reflect on the priceless gift that music brings to us. In times of stress, it can provide comfort; in times of joy and celebration it can enhance the mood. Fond memories are re-created with the strains of old carols and our

families are bound together with words so familiar we can join in song as we celebrate. TMTA wishes you a blessed, peaceful, restful holiday season and a New Year filled with many blessings.

*Janelle Schlaudt*

President

## 2009 MTNA/TMTA State Performance Competition

Sara Miller/Christina Chen, co-chairmen of MTNA/TMTA State Performance Competition

2009 MTNA/TMTA State Performance Competition was held on November 13&14 at the Music School of Texas Tech University. We had 104 musicians registered in the categories of Woodwind, Piano, String, Voice, Brass and Chamber Music.

We want to thank Texas Tech University for their generosity in donating the use of their wonderful facilities. Special thanks goes to Dr. Lora Deahl for all her hard work in planning and hosting the competition. In addition, she enlisted members of the Texas Tech MTNA/TMTA Collegiate Chapter to help setup and monitor. The success of this event is not possible without Dr. Deahl's leadership. We also would like to thank TMTA Officers for their advice, support and help. They were on site monitoring, shuttling judges and stepping in to assist any task that needed a hand. Our gratitude also goes to all the volunteers for their hard work in helping the competition run smoothly.

Our best wishes will be with these students as they compete in the Division Auditions on January 9th and 10th in Shreveport, Louisiana. Results will be posted in the next issue of the Texas Music Teacher.

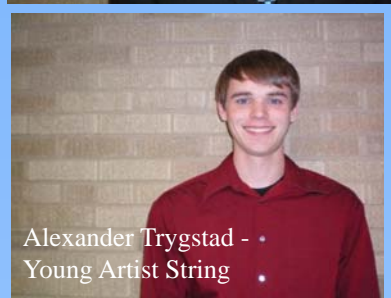
### Congratulations to this year's competition winners:

#### Young Artist - Brass:

Winner: Lee Jarzembak - student of Kevin Wass  
Alternate: Bradley Caliva - student of Kevin Wass  
Honorable Mention: Bret Blackstone - student of Kevin Wass  
Daniel King - student of Kevin Wass



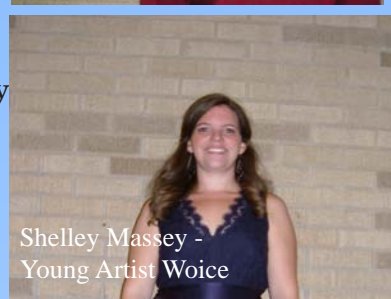
Lee Jarzembak -  
Young Artist Brass



Alexander Trygstad -  
Young Artist String

#### Young Artist - Piano:

Winner: Geraldine Ong - student of Nancy Weems  
Alternate: Crystal Lam - student of Tamas Ungar  
Honorable Mention: Stephanie Chan - student of Nancy Weems  
Honorable Mention: Robert McDonald - student of Douglas Humphery



Shelley Massey -  
Young Artist Voice

#### Young Artist - String:

Winner: Alex Trystad - student of Kathryn Steely  
Alternate: Emily Rhoades - student of Kirsten Yon  
Honorable Mention: Rachel Smith - student of Kirsten Yon



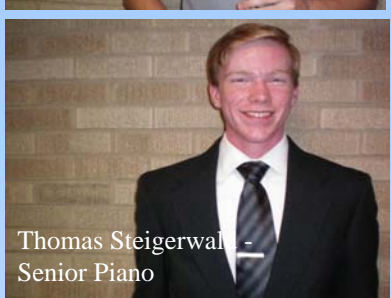
Daniel Valasco -  
Young Artist Woodwind

#### Young Artist - Voice:

Winner: Shelley Massey - student of Robert Best  
Alternate: Tyson Miller - student of Robert Best  
Honorable Mention: Amanda Walden - student of Robert Best

#### Young Artist - Woodwind

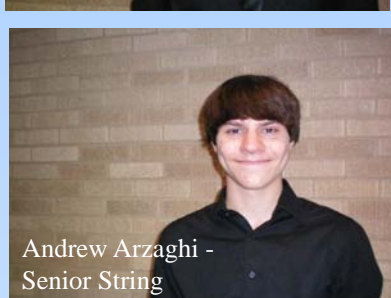
Winner: Daniel Velasco - student of Marianne Gedigian  
Alternate: Alicia Mielke - student of Marianne Gedigian  
Honorable Mention: Alison Olson - student of Marianne Gedigian



Thomas Steigerwald -  
Senior Piano

#### Senior - Piano

Winner: Thomas Steigerwald - student of Kenneth Thompson  
Alternate: Hui Diao - student of Tamas Ungar  
Honorable Mention: Michael Heil - student of John Weems  
Honorable Mention: Lulu Chang - student of John Weems



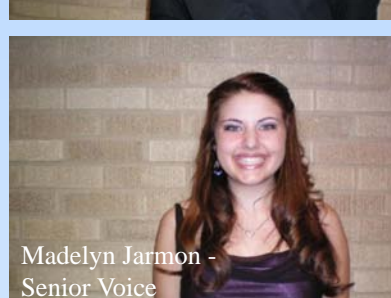
Andrew Arzaghi -  
Senior String

#### Senior - String:

Winner: Andrew Arzaghi - student of Kirsten Yon  
Alternate: Macus Tedesco - student of Kevin Garcia-Hettinger

#### Senior - Voice:

Winner: Madelyn Jarmon - student of George Variames  
Alternate: Arielle Carrara - student of Cherry Hanes  
Honorable Mention: Daniel Grube - student of George Variames



Madelyn Jarmon -  
Senior Voice

#### Senior - Woodwind:

Winner: Abigail Clark - student of Kara Kirdendoll  
Alternate: Ashley Wang - student of Monica Song  
Honorable Mention: Shane Kealy - student of David Dees  
Honorable Mention: Hye Jeong Ryu - student of Monica Song



Auburn Lee -  
Junior Piano

#### Junior - Piano:

Winner: Auburn Lee - student of John Weems  
Alternate: Aaron Kurz - student of Carol Leone  
Honorable Mention: Gordon Kwong - student of John Weems



Joann Lee -  
Junior Woodwind

#### Junior - Woodwind:

Winner: Juwin Lee - student of Monica Song  
Alternate: Connie Lee - student of Monica Song  
Honorable Mention: Elizabeth Kang - student of Monica Song

#### Chamber Music:

Winner: Amizade Quartet - students of David Dees  
Alternate: Superfecta Saxophone Quartet - students of Eric Nestler  
Honorable Mention: Vent Chanter - students of Kara Kirkendoll



Amizade Quartet -  
Chamber Music