



# MMAMTA President's Newsletter: Feb. 2019 – Part 1 of 2

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## Part 1 (Feb 4, Mon)

Dear members of the MMAMTA,

After the last MMAMTA semi-annual meeting, I believe an re-introduction is in order: It is a pleasure to be serving you as the MMAMTA President again through May 2020. I do wear many 'hats' for what I do, but with your help and collaboration, I believe we can grow as an organization to continue to provide god supportive atmosphere for the students, and give both the students and teachers alike opportunities to grow musically in our communities.

We discussed and accomplished a number of key topics at this meeting, all of which I would love to share with you. However, there are some important deadlines we must address, and therefore the February Newsletters will be divided into two parts:

- 1) Musicathon deadlines and information, and
- 2) Everything Else!

### Part 1: Musicathon

**\*\*\*VERY IMPORTANT\*\*\*** If you live in the Jefferson City area and would like to take part, please contact chairperson Jan Houser immediately, because the deadline was this weekend on Feb. 1. She can be reached at: [janzstudio@embarqmail.com](mailto:janzstudio@embarqmail.com).

Jefferson City	Columbia
Request Time Deadline: Feb 1	Request Time Deadline: Feb 25
February 16 & 17, 2019 Capital Mall 3600 Country Club Dr	March 9 & 10, 2019 Jerry's Instrument Shop 111 E. Walnut Street, Suite D
Chair	Chair
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What is "Musicathon?"

Musicathon is a “musical marathon” fundraiser for MMAMTA, where our communities also benefit. It is open to ALL instrumentalists and vocalists alike. From this fundraiser, 50% of the funds raised will benefit MMAMTA such as summer camp scholarships and events like Fall Workshop, Aria/Concerto Competition and Kids@Heart, and the other 50% is donated to a non-profit organization in our communities that assist those who need help.

At the MMAMTA meeting last weekend, we decided that Columbia fundraiser will benefit Volunteer Action Center (VAC) <http://www.vacmo.org/>, and Jefferson City fundraiser will benefit Mid-Missouri Samaritan Center, <https://www.facebook.com/Mid.MO.Sam/>.

As you can see from the dates and contacts above, we have two Musicathons, one held in Jefferson City in mid-February, and another held in Columbia in March. There are various ways in which you can support:

- by performing at the events by yourself or with friends and family
- by donating at the events as a sponsor
- by being cheerful at the events as an audience

Both Musicathon dates are strategically placed so that especially those students who are participating in Federated Jr Music Festival auditions can run-through their pieces in a less formal atmosphere.

As mentioned earlier, contact Jan Houser now to make arrangements to submit your students if you are interested in supporting events that matter to you and your students. For Columbia participants, the deadline is February 25. That date will creep up faster than you imagine, so please talk to your students and their families, and encourage them to participate and/or donate as they can.

Please take a moment to review Musicathon’s brief, 1-page information. If you have any questions, chairpersons are happy to help.

As always, all of our information is now available and forms are available to download as PDF on our web site, [www.MMAMTA.org](http://www.MMAMTA.org). I manage this site, so if you see anything you would like changed, please feel free to let me know – and I will do this as soon as I am able.

Part 2 is forthcoming, hopefully on Friday!

Sincerely,  
Ayako Tsuruta  
MMAMTA President

### **Part 2 (ca. Feb 8, Fri)**

**Stay tuned for announcements and information, including:**

- **MMAMTA Vice President**
- **Plowman Pre-Collegiate Master Class Audition (piano and violin only)**
- **MMAMTA Scholarship auditions**
- **\*Save the Date\* MMAMTA Spring Luncheon date & venue**
- **Flyers**