

# AMERICAN MUSICOLOGICAL SOCIETY SOUTHERN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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## 2016 MEETING

PALM BEACH ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

West Palm Beach, Florida

February 19–20, 2016

### Meeting Information

The Palm Beach Atlantic University School of Music and Fine Arts will host the 2016 annual meeting of the American Musicological Society Southern Chapter on February 19-20. The paper sessions will be held in the Helen K. Persson Recital Hall on the first floor of the Vera Lea Rinker Music and Fine Arts Building, located on Acacia Rd., just off Dixie Hwy (US 1), south of Okeechobee Blvd. in West Palm Beach, FL. Driving directions and a campus map can be found at <http://www.pba.edu/maps-and-directions-wpb>. Information about parking will be included in the January Newsletter. Blocks of rooms have been set aside at the Hyatt West Palm Beach/Downtown (walking distance to campus) (561-655-1454, \$239.00/night; rooms held until Jan. 10, please reserve early). Information about amenities, conference rates, procedures for making reservations, and alternative accommodations is posted on our chapter website. Inquiries relating to local arrangements may be sent to Michael O'Connor at [michael\\_oconnor@pba.edu](mailto:michael_oconnor@pba.edu).

### Call for Papers

To submit a proposal for the chapter meeting, send an abstract as an email attachment in Microsoft Word format (.doc or .docx extension) to the Abstracts Editor, Joseph Sargent, at [jsargent@montevallo.edu](mailto:jsargent@montevallo.edu). The Abstracts Editor will remove the names from the proposals and submit them anonymously to the program committee. Submissions must be received by **Friday, November 20, 2015, 6 p.m (EST)**. Abstracts should be double-spaced, **no longer than 350 words**, and should indicate all equipment needs; if a piano is needed, this need should be stated explicitly. Papers as read should not exceed 20 minutes.

**Important:** All presenters must be members in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter. Once the Program Committee has selected a preliminary list of presenters, the Program Chair will forward the names to the national office to ensure membership is current before sending out responses to those who have submitted proposals.

Please consider the following guidelines for abstracts as published in the national AMS Newsletter:

Abstracts should represent the talk as fully as possible. Successful abstracts typically state the specific research findings, substantiate them, and indicate their significance. Abstracts should make clear what is already known and what is new in the proposal. The Program Committee generally will fault abstracts that merely allude to findings or conclusions (Vol. 30, No. 2, August 2000, p. 13).

## **Student Paper Award**

Students whose papers have been accepted for the AMS-S program may apply to receive the Student Paper Award of \$250 by following these guidelines:

1. To be eligible for the student paper award, a student must be enrolled in a graduate music program, must not have completed the Ph.D., and must be a current member of both the national AMS and the Southern Chapter. Note: to be eligible the student must be a student member of the AMS (not a “regular” member).
2. Before being considered for the award, student papers must be accepted for presentation at the chapter meeting through the normal review process. The student whose paper is accepted must attend the chapter meeting and present the paper.
3. A copy of the complete paper, including handouts, must be received by the President, Valerie Goertzen, via email at [goertzen@loyno.edu](mailto:goertzen@loyno.edu) by Friday, February 5, 2016, 6 p.m (EST).
4. The award will consist of \$250. The winner will be announced at the business meeting or (if the competition extends into Saturday morning) immediately after the meeting. He or she will be acknowledged in the March AMS-S Newsletter and in the newsletter of the national organization.
5. The committee reserves the right to refrain from making an award if the members deem no student paper worthy. A student who wins the award is ineligible to receive the award again in the year immediately following.

## **Travel Assistance for Student Members**

To help students with travel expenses, our chapter contributes \$200 to each student presenting one of the regular papers or poster sessions at the national AMS meeting. To qualify, a student must be a member in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter and must attend the national meeting and present the paper or poster session in person. Students receiving acceptances for the Louisville meeting (November 12–15, 2015) should contact Brett Boutwell, AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer, at [boutwell@lsu.edu](mailto:boutwell@lsu.edu) and be prepared to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses after travel is completed.

In addition, our chapter contributes \$50 to each student presenting a paper at our annual chapter meeting, with a maximum of \$150 per institution. A student presenter who receives travel funding from his or her institution will not be eligible for funding from AMS-S. No application is necessary: a faculty member from each institution is responsible for requesting the funds from the Secretary-Treasurer, verifying student eligibility, and disbursing the funds.

## **Are You a Member in Good Standing?**

Annual dues for our chapter are \$10 for regular members and \$5 for students. If you did not attend the February 2015 meeting or mail a check to the Secretary-Treasurer this calendar year, you still owe dues for 2015. Please send a note with your current email address and a check in the appropriate amount (made out to AMS, with “Southern Chapter Dues” in the memo line) to the AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer:

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Note also that Article XI of the AMS By-laws requires chapter members to be members in good standing of the AMS.

## **Chapter Officers and Representatives**

\*Valerie Goertzen (Loyola University), President  
\*Bryan Proksch (Lamar University), President-Elect  
Brett Boutwell (Louisiana State University), Secretary-Treasurer  
†Brett Boutwell (Louisiana State University), AMS Council Rep.  
Joseph Sargent (University of Montevallo), Abstracts Editor  
†Michael Vincent (University of Florida), AMS Council Student Rep.  
Megan MacDonald (Florida State University), AMS Council Student Rep.  
Andreas Giger (Louisiana State University), Webmaster

\* denotes term of office ending at conclusion of AMS-S 2016 meeting

† denotes term of office ending July 31, 2016

## **AMS-S Committees**

Program Committee, 2016 Annual Meeting: Sarah Eyerly (Florida State University), chair; Blake Howe (Louisiana State University); and Joanna Biermann (University of Alabama).

Nominating Committee: Michael Broyles (Florida State University), chair; Linda Cummins (University of Alabama); and Andreas Giger (Louisiana State University).

## **You've Got Mail!**

If you received this message indirectly but would like to stay up to date on all of our newsletters and activities directly, please send your email address to Margaret Butler ([butlermr@ufl.edu](mailto:butlermr@ufl.edu)), who manages our listserv, and ask to be put on our mailing list.

## **Chapter Website**

Please note the link to our chapter website on the masthead. There you can find minutes and programs of our annual meetings, past issues of the Newsletter, the chapter bylaws, members' news, and links to the AMS website. Thanks to Louisiana State University and Andreas Giger for maintaining the chapter website. Members are encouraged to send news of accomplishments, awards, or honors to [agiger1@lsu.edu](mailto:agiger1@lsu.edu).