News & Notes

Kyle Rivera and Jonathan Booker (both from the studio of Rob Smith) won first place in the undergraduate and graduate division, respectively, in the 2014 UH Louisa Stude Sarofim Composition Competition. The judges included Michael Horvit (UH Composition Faculty Emeritus), Brooke Joyce (Luther College Associate Professor of Music and Composer-in-Residence) and Hee Yun Kim (freelance composer based in Texas). As part of their award, each will be commissioned to compose a new work for the AURA Contemporary Ensemble.

Faculty member Rob Smith and students Kyle Rivera (studios of Suzanne LaFevre and Rob Smith), Madeline Styskal (studios of Tali Morgulis and Rob Smith), Joshua Zin (studio of Marcus Maroney) and Mark Buller (DMA candidate, studio of Marcus Maroney) composed songs to be performed as part of MY VOICE, the UH Composition Program’s annual collaboration with HGOco (Houston Grand Opera’s community outreach program) and WITS (Writers in the Schools). Performances will take place at Kashmere Gardens Elementary on April 30, 4-5:30 pm and Spring Branch Elementary on May 19, 8:30 - 9:30 am.

Ogechi Ukazu (BM ’08, from the studio of Michael Warny) has been named the new Director of Bands at Clear Creek High School.

Students from the studio of Robert Johnson have been accepted into summer music festivals including Matthew Baldridge (Brevard Music Festival, Saratoga Music Festival, Texas Music Festival), Kirini Daniels (Blue Devils Drum Core), Stephen Wadenpfuhl (Hot Springs Music Festival) and Adam Davis (wait list for Brevard Music Festival).

The UH Trombone Choir, under the direction of Brian Kauk performed with the Greater Houston Trombone Choir under the direction of Aubrey Tucker at Houston Community College on April 12.

Upcoming Events

Monday, April 27, 5 pm
GUEST MASTER CLASS
Matthew Erickson, guest bass trombone
(USAF Band of the West)
MSM Room 175

Monday, April 27, 6:30 pm
Student Recital
Emily Robinson, soprano (Studio of Cynthia Clayton)
Dudley Recital Hall

Monday, April 27, 6:30 pm
GUEST RECITAL
Matthew Erickson, guest bass trombone
Sayaka Seki, guest piano
Works by Verhelst, Bozza, Telemann, Brubeck
MSM Room 175

Monday, April 27, 8:30 pm
Student Recital
Nicholas Hatt, violin (Studio of Andrzej Grabiec)
Dudley Recital Hall

Tuesday, April 28, 7:30 pm
CONCERT BAND, SYMPHONIC BAND, SYMPHONIC WINDS
David Bertman, Marion West, Marc Martin, directors
Works by Balmages, Sheldon, King, Reed Musella, Griffith, Puccini, J.S. Bach

Tuesday, April 28, 8:30 pm
Student Recital
Jingwen Xu, violin (Studio of Kirsten Yon)
Dudley Recital Hall

Wednesday, April 29, 8:30 pm
Student Recital
Wyatt Coleman, violin (Studio of Kirsten Yon)
Dudley Recital Hall

Thursday, April 30, 6:30 pm
Student Recital
Shani Cohen, mezzo-soprano (Studio of Joseph Evans)
Dudley Recital Hall

Thursday, April 30, 8:30 pm
Student Recital
Ryan Rogers, piano (Studio of Tali Morgulis)
Choral Recital Hall
Upcoming Events

Friday, May 1, 7:30 pm
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
WIND ENSEMBLE
Franz Anton Krager, David Bertman, directors
Works by Rimsky-Korsakov, Britten, Tower, Respighi, Grantham

Saturday, May 2, 12:00 pm
Student Recital
Gregory Lewis, viola (Studio of Suzanne LeFeure)
Dudley Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 12:00 pm
Student Recital
Yezhou Tan, piano (Studio of Abbey Simon)
Choral Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 2:30 pm
Student Recital
Joshua Chua, piano (Studio of Timothy Hester)
Dudley Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 2:30 pm
Student Recital
Ben Malmer, tuba (Studio of Mark Barton)
Choral Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 5:00 pm
Student Recital
Lilian Schmidt, flute (Studio of Melissa Suhr)
Choral Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 5:00 pm
Student Recital
Roger Vasquez, double bass (Studio of Dennis Whittaker)
Dudley Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 7:30 pm
Student Recital
Henry Dang, clarinet (Studio of Randall Griffin)
Choral Recital Hall

Saturday, May 2, 7:30 pm
Student Recital
Carlos Gaviria, double bass (Studio of Dennis Whittaker)
Dudley Recital Hall

Sunday, May 3, 12:00 pm
Student Recital
Alexa Johnson, violin (Studio of Kirsten Yon)
Dudley Recital Hall

Sunday, May 3, 2:30 pm
Student Recital
Ethan Schneider, composition (Studio of Marcus Maroney)
Dudley Recital Hall

Sunday, May 3, 5:00 pm
Student Recital
Page Madison, soprano (Studio of Cynthia Clayton)
Dudley Recital Hall

Wednesday, May 3, 5:00 pm
Student Recital
Jasmine Fuller, clarinet (Studio of Randall Griffin)
Choral Recital Hall

Sunday, May 3, 7:30 pm
Student Recital
Jonathan Booker, composition (Studio of Rob Smith)
Choral Recital Hall

Monday, May 4, 2015, 6:30 pm
Student Recital
Blas Canedo, baritone (Studio of Joseph Evans)
Dudley Recital Hall

Monday, May 4, 6:30 pm
Student Recital
Brett Linski, oboe
Room 185

Monday, May 4, 7:30 pm
PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE II
Alec Warren, Blake Wilkins, directors
Works by Zivkovic, Gauger, Smith

Monday, May 4, 8:30 pm
Student Recital
Julie Thornton, soprano (Studio of Joseph Evans)
Dudley Recital Hall

Wednesday, May 6, 6:00 pm
STUDENT STRING and PIANO CHAMBER RECITAL
Moores Opera House

Deadline For Upscale Weekly Submissions
Wednesday at 5:00 pm