



# MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB OF PORTLAND

Enriching Lives Through Music

## Newsletter - March, 2021

Spring greetings everyone!

Our virtual scholarship program is flying right along this year. All of our applicants' music videos have been sent to our judges now and we will soon have the results of our competition! You will be able to meet the winners in each of our next two upcoming virtual Teas scheduled for April 12th and May 3rd.\* If you use Facebook and haven't done so already, please go to our MMC Facebook page to "Like" and share our applicants photos and videos so they can see your support and help give them a boost. We are presenting an "Artist of the Day" series that focuses on each of our applicants for the 40 days leading up to our April Tea and announcement of winners.

One of the many good things that have come about through our virtual program this year is that we have received 80 stunning video-recorded performances from our 40 talented applicants (two each); which you can all watch - AND - we were able to send them all to a super set of judges in far-off, distant places in NY, ID and Ontario. This is especially good because it is challenging to find local judges who don't know any of the teachers, students or the programs they work with, so it helps remove bias.

**Upcoming Elections:** We are nearing the end of our season and it is time to nominate officers to fill important positions for our Club, to include the President and Treasurer. If you will help support the organization with the gift of time, we would love to hear from you. There are other light-duty positions available to include serving on the Nominating Committee for a short time. It is one of the best ways to get to know other members.

### **Just for Fun:**

- Here's an idea: How about **You** be the judge? (unofficially, of course!) Attached are pictures and video links of all our scholarship applicants' performances. Let's see who can pick the winners that will be announced in our competition. Respond back with your best guess by April 5th and we will recognize you in the next newsletter.

- My *movie pick of the month* is Disney/Pixar's animated film about a frustrated jazz pianist turned music teacher in NYC called "**Soul**" starring the voices of Jaime Fox and Tina Fey and the piano playing of Jon Batiste (Musical Director on Stephen Colbert).

- Does anyone have a good new book, movie or musical joke? Let us know and we'll include it in the next newsletter. Now is not the time to be *Haydn* your sense of humor.

Grant Porter  
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\* Times TBA. Note: Our Two-Piano Concert and fundraiser is being rescheduled with the hope that we can schedule a live event in the Fall in honor of the late Don Frueh.

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