



MTAC TORRANCE BRANCH
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2024 TORRANCE BRANCH CELEBRATION RECITAL
GENERAL INFORMATION, RECITAL RULES,
APPLICATION PROCEDURES

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DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this annual program is to commemorate the June, 2019 approval of the full-charter status of the MTAC Torrance Branch. The 2024 Torrance Branch Celebration Recital is dedicated to one of our founding members, the late Darlene Vlasek. There will be performances by Branch members' students and Torrance Branch members.

DATES/TIMES: **Saturday, November 9, 2024**
 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM
 Recital time requests will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. (See the General Recital Rules for details)

LOCATION: **St. Luke's Presbyterian Church**
 26825 Rolling Hills Rd, Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274

	SOLO	ENSEMBLE
FEES:	\$45	\$35 per student

DEADLINES: **STUDENT REGISTRATION BY TEACHERS**
Saturday, October 19, 2024 @ 11:59 PM
 Online teacher registration at www.mtactorrance.org

PAYMENT BY STUDENTS/PARENTS
Tuesday, October 22, 2024 @ 11:59 PM
 Online payment via link that is sent to students/parents

HEALTH GUIDELINES

- All attendees of the Torrance Branch in-person events must be absolutely non-symptomatic of any infectious diseases. If a performer is experiencing any symptoms of any infectious diseases on the day of the Fortissimo Festival, he/she or the ensemble to which he/she belongs may not attend the event.
- Masks are not required but recommended.

GENERAL RECITAL RULES

- Recital is for all instruments and voice, solo and/or ensemble (see specific rules below).
- Students may enter both as a soloist and as a member of an ensemble.
- Students may enter in multiple ensembles and will be required to pay the “per student” entry fee for each ensemble application submission.
- The applying teacher must be the primary teacher at least 75% of the time if the student is studying with a second teacher on the same instrument.
- Teachers may enter both their primary and secondary instrument students even if the teacher’s name is not listed in the State MTAC database as teaching a secondary instrument.
- Torrance Branch Contributory Members’ students are welcome to participate.
- For non-pianists, performance with an accompanist is not required.
- Ensembles: The ensemble coach must be a Torrance Branch Active, Provisional or Contributory member and at least one member of the ensemble must be a student of a Torrance Branch Active, Provisional or Contributory member.
- An improvisation or performer’s own composition will be accepted.
- Memorization is not required. If using music, students must play from original music.
- Accompanists must also play from original music.
- Photocopies of music are not accepted. Exception: photocopies of music are accepted only to facilitate page turns.
- Students who do not plan to perform by memory will be required to show their original music at the check-in desk on the day of the recital. They will not be allowed to perform if they do not have original music.
- All students must perform in CONCERT DRESS. No athletic shoes, no jeans.
- All performers are required to remain for the entire time of the recital in which they are scheduled.
- Performers may be videotaped or recorded only by their family and only of their own performance.
- Recital time requests will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. However, we highly encourage students to make requests if and only if they have external constraints that prohibit them from participating in the other recital times. There are a number of considerations to be factored in forming the recital program, including diversity and equitability in studios represented and length of the recital. Flexibility from the students and studios is greatly appreciated.

TORRANCE BRANCH CELEBRATION RECITAL RULES

- Only one piano is available at this event.
- Music literature from any time period or style will be accepted.
- There is a limit of 3 pieces, and the total performance time of all the pieces must be within 8 minutes.
- Performance time may not exceed 8 minutes, and cuts of repetitive material are acceptable to remain within the time limit.
- In order to accommodate more advanced and longer pieces, students at CM Level 8 and above, or the equivalent, have a performance time limit of 12 minutes.

- Downloaded music must be approved by the Chair by having the teacher send a scanned copy of the music and proof of purchase receipt to the Chair via email by the student registration deadline
- (October 19, 2024). If the teacher fails to send the scanned copy of the music along with the proof of purchase receipt, the student or teacher will be asked to present the receipt at the check-in desk on the recital day. Without this receipt, the student will not be allowed to perform.
- No repertoire changes are accepted after the student registration deadline (October 19, 2024).
- After the online payment submission deadline (October 22, 2024), there will be no refunds for cancellations.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Solo

- 1) Teachers must sign the online Participation Agreement and fill out the online registration form for each entry at www.mtactorrance.org no later than 11:59 PM on October 19, 2024.
- 2) As soon as teachers submit their online registration form, the students/parents will receive an auto response which will include a link for the agreement forms and online payment.
- 3) Students/Parents must sign the agreement forms and submit their payment via the payment link no later than 11:59 PM on October 22, 2024.

Ensemble

- 1) The ensemble coach must sign the online Teacher Participation Agreement and fill out the online registration form for each entry at www.mtactorrance.org no later than 11:59 PM on October 19, 2024.
- 2) As soon as the ensemble coach submits his/her online registration form, the ensemble coach and all teachers of the ensemble members will receive an auto response which will include three links: one link for the Fortissimo Festival 2024 Rules/Guidelines and Torrance Branch legal forms by the teachers, and two links for the agreement forms and online payment by the students/parents. (one for students age 17 and younger and the other for students age 18 and older).
- 3) All teachers must read the 2024 Torrance Branch Celebration Recital Rules/Guidelines and submit their Teacher Participation Agreement, Torrance Branch Release of Liability Form and Media Consent and Release Form via the link by the registration deadline (October 19, 2024).
- 4) Teachers must send the appropriate payment link (according to the student's age) to their students/parents.
- 5) Students/Parents must sign the agreement forms and make their payment via the payment link no later than 11:59 PM on October 22, 2024.