TUSCALOOSA 2005 MEETING

Call for Papers

The annual meeting of the Southern Chapter of the American Musicological Society will take place February 18–19, 2005 at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. Paper sessions will be held in the Recital Hall of the Moody Music Building. Tuscaloosa and the surrounding area offers attractions for everyone, including the Bear Bryant museum for football fans, Moundville Archeological Park for those interested in Native American culture, and the famous Dreamland for barbecue connoisseurs. The permanent collection of the Sarah Moody Gallery of Art contains works by Lee Krasner, Alexander Calder, Robert Rauschenberg, Pablo Picasso, and Ansel Adams. The Alabama Natural History Museum holds the Hodges meteorite, the only meteorite ever to hit a person.

The region is served by the Tuscaloosa Municipal Airport and the Birmingham International Airport (about an hour away). For maps, directions, and additional information, see the University of Alabama website, http://www.ua.edu/visitors.html. For other questions, contact the local arrangements hosts, Margaret Butler (mbutler@bama.ua.edu) or Linda Cummins (lcummins@bama.ua.edu).

Lodging: Rooms have been reserved at two hotels for February 17 and 18. When making reservations, please mention that you are with the AMS conference at the University of Alabama.

La Quinta Inn, 4122 McFarland Blvd. East, 205-349-3270
$43/night plus tax, 50 non-smoking double rooms available (does not include breakfast)

Hampton Inn, 600 Harper Lee Drive, 205-553-9800
$75/night plus tax includes hot breakfast and other amenities, 15 non-smoking rooms available: 10 kings and 5 doubles. The cut-off date is January 18—you must reserve by this date in order to receive this rate. (Request rooms under the group code "AMS").

Paper proposals: To submit a paper proposal for the Chapter meeting, please send an abstract (one copy with full name, address, phone, fax, and e-mail address, plus three anonymous copies) to the Chapter President: Dr. Marian Wilson Kimber, 1022 Voxman, School of Music, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242. No e-mailed or faxed proposals will be accepted. Submissions must be received by November 19, 2005. Abstracts should be double-spaced and no more than 300 words. Indicate all equipment needs on your abstract. 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." (Volume XXX, Number II, August 2000, 13.)

Student paper award: Students who wish to be considered for the $250 award for the best paper by a student member of the Southern Chapter read at its regional meeting must follow the following guidelines:
1. To be eligible to receive the student paper award, a student must be enrolled in a graduate music program and must not have completed a Ph.D. He or she must be a current member of both the national American Musicological Society and the Southern Chapter.
2. Before being considered for the award, student papers must be accepted for presentation at the Chapter meeting through the normal reviewing process. If his or her paper is accepted, the student must attend the Chapter meeting and present the paper.
3. Three copies of the complete paper, including handouts, musical examples, or other accompanying audio-visual materials, must be received by the President of the Chapter one month prior to the first day of the meeting.

4. The award will consist of $250. The winner will be notified after the annual meeting and announced in the next newsletter.

5. The committee reserves the right not to make an award, if the members deem no student paper is worthy. A student who wins the award is ineligible to receive the award again in the year immediately following.

Students who are notified that their paper has been accepted must submit three hard copies of both their paper and any accompanying materials to Prof. Wilson Kimber by January 18, 2005.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear musicologists of the Southern Chapter,
On behalf of the Southern Chapter of the American Musicological Society, I cordially invite you to renew your membership. At this hectic time of year, it's easy to overlook one's chapter dues. But remember that AMS operates on two levels: national membership and local membership. The Southern Chapter relies on your grassroots support, both intellectually and financially; our annual allocation is based on our total membership. We need you! Please send your check for $10 ($5 for students), payable to AMS-SC, to the secretary-treasurer:

Dr. Jennifer Thomas
130 Music Building
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Gainesville, FL 32611-7900

Special thanks go to Jennifer Thomas and David Kushner for hosting our successful meeting at the University of Florida last spring, and to Scott Warfield for serving on the program committee. The committee was delighted to receive an increased number of proposals, resulting in paper sessions of a very high caliber. Thanks too, to outgoing president, Denise Von Glahn, for her tireless efforts on behalf of the chapter for the past two years.

To encourage the young scholars in our chapter, we've established an award for the best student paper read at a chapter meeting. I encourage all doctoral students to check the call for papers above for submission requirements. To be considered, student papers must be accepted for the meeting and submitted a month in advance. No award was presented last year, and we'd very much like to honor a worthy student paper in 2005.

We encourage everyone to submit their proposals for the February meeting at the University of Alabama, where we'll be meeting in the School of Music's attractive facilities. We hope to see y'all in Tuscaloosa. (Roll Tide!) My best wishes for a productive fall.

Marian Wilson Kimber

CHAPTER WEBSITE

http://music.fsu.edu/~ams/southern/
Keith Knop (Florida State University), webmaster

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