UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, 2009 MEETING

27–28 February

CALL FOR PAPERS

The USM School of Music will host the 2009 annual meeting of the American Musicological Society, Southern Chapter (AMS-S), from 27 to 28 February on the campus of the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. More information will be available on the conference Web site, which will go up shortly at http://www.usm.edu/musichistory (if clicking on the link produces an error, please copy and paste the URL into your Web browser).

PAPER PROPOSALS:

To submit a proposal for the Chapter meeting, send an abstract as an email attachment in Microsoft Word format (with a .doc extension) to the abstracts editor, Dr. William Horne, at wphorne@loyno.edu. The abstracts editor will remove the names from the proposals and submit them anonymously to the program committee. Submissions must be received by Thursday, 20 November 2008, 6 pm.

Abstracts should be double-spaced, no longer than 500 words, and they should indicate all equipment needs. Papers eventually should not exceed twenty minutes.

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. XXX, Number II, August 2000, p. 13.)

STUDENT PAPER AWARD:

Students whose papers have been accepted for the 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 national AMS 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 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 and musical examples, must be received by the President, Dr. Linda Cummins, via email at lcummins@music.ua.edu or conventional mail at:

   Dr. Linda Cummins
   University of Alabama
   School of Music, Box 870366
   Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0366

   Any other accompanying audio-visual materials must be sent in triplicate by conventional mail.

The deadline for submitting the complete materials is 27 January 2009.
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. In addition, he or she will be announced in the subsequent AMS-S newsletter.

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.

ARE YOU A MEMBER, OR HAS YOUR MEMBERSHIP LAPPED?

Note that your AMS-S dues for the year 2008 ($10.00 for regular members; $5.00 for student members) can be paid anytime. If you have missed your opportunity for 2008, it’s not too late! Our share of the national funds is based on the number of paid regional memberships, and dues are welcome any time. If you are not sure of your status, email the Secretary-Treasurer, Andreas Giger, at agiger1@lsu.edu. You may send dues by check to:

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CHAPTER WEB SITE:

Please note our Web site on the masthead and watch the AMS Web site http://www.ams-net.org/chapters/chapterofficers.php for updates on our permanent addresses. Thanks to Amy Dunning for maintaining this valuable service!

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But we need your address to send it. If you are reading this newsletter as a forwarded message or in hard copy, please send your email address to agiger1@lsu.edu.

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