2013 MEETING

McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY
22–23 FEBRUARY

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Department of Performing Arts at McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana, will host the 2013 annual meeting of the American Musicological Society, Southern Chapter, from 22 to 23 February. The meeting will be held in the two-year-old Shearmar Fine Arts Complex on the northwest corner of campus. Driving directions and maps can be found at www.mcneese.edu/campusmaps. Bryan Proksch (bproksch@mcneese.edu) is handling the local arrangements.

PAPER PROPOSALS

To submit a proposal for the chapter meeting, send an abstract as an email attachment in Microsoft Word format (.doc extension) to the Abstracts Editor, Brett Boutwell, at boutwell@lsu.edu. The Abstracts Editor will remove the names from the proposals and submit them anonymously to the program committee. Submissions must be received by Monday, 12 November 2012, 6 p.m (EST). Abstracts should be double-spaced, no longer than 500 words, and they should indicate all equipment needs; if a keyboard is needed, this should be stated explicitly. Papers as read should not exceed 20 minutes.

Important: All presenters must be members in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter. The following procedure will go into effect beginning with this round of proposals: Once the Program Committee has selected a preliminary list of presenters, the Program Chair will forward the names to the national office to ensure membership is current before sending out responses to those who have submitted proposals.

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, No. 2, August 2000, p. 13).

STUDENT PAPER AWARD

Students whose papers have been accepted for the AMS-S 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 student member of both the 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, must be received by the President, Margaret Butler, via email at butlermr@ufl.edu by Thursday, 7 February 2013, 6 p.m (EST).

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 acknowledged in the March 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.

ASSISTANCE WITH TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR STUDENT MEMBERS

To help students with travel expenses, our chapter contributes $200 to each student presenting one of the 192 regular papers or a poster session at the national AMS meeting. To qualify, a student must be a student member in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter and must attend the national meeting and actually present the paper or poster session. Students receiving acceptances for the New Orleans meeting (1–4 November 2012) should contact Valerie Goertzen, AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer, at goertzen@loyno.edu and be prepared to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses after travel is completed.

In addition, our chapter contributes $50 to students presenting papers at our chapter meeting, with a maximum of $150 per institution. Recipients must be student members in good standing of both the AMS and Southern Chapter. Further details about eligibility and procedures were included in the March 2011 issue of the Newsletter (available online).

ARE YOU A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING?

Please note that your AMS-S dues for the year 2012 ($10.00 for regular members; $5.00 for student members) can be paid any time. It’s not too late to join for the year! Our share of the national funds is based on the number of paid regional memberships, and dues are always welcome. If you are not sure of your status, email the AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer at goertzen@loyno.edu. You may send dues by check to:

Dr. Valerie Goertzen  
College of Music and Fine Arts  
Loyola University  
Campus Box 8  
New Orleans, LA 70118

Please make checks payable to the American Musicological Society, and write “Southern Chapter” in the subject line. Note also that Article XI of the AMS By-laws requires chapter members to be members in good standing of the AMS.

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AMS-S COMMITTEES

Program Committee, 2013 Annual Meeting: Melissa Goldsmith (Nicholls State University), chair; Scott Warfield (University of Central Florida); Jennifer Roth-Burnette (University of Alabama Early College)

Nominating Committee: Denise Von Glahn (Florida State University), chair; Jennifer Thomas (University of Florida), Alice Clark (Loyola University)

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CHAPTER WEBSITE

The masthead includes a link to our chapter website. There you can find minutes and programs of our annual meetings, past issues of the Newsletter, the chapter bylaws, and links to the AMS website. Thanks to Louisiana State University and Andreas Giger for maintaining the chapter website.

WHAT’S NEW?

Please send news about your professional accomplishments, awards, and honors to Andreas Giger, Webmaster, at agiger1@lsu.edu so he can post this information.