2015 MEETING
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS
27–28 FEBRUARY

Meeting Information
The Loyola University College of Music and Fine Arts will host the 2015 annual meeting of the American Musicological Society, Southern Chapter, on 27–28 February. The paper sessions will be held in the newly renovated Nunemaker Hall on the second floor of Monroe Hall, directly behind the Communications and Music Building and bordering Calhoun Street. Driving directions and a campus map can be found at http://www.loyno.edu/jump/about/visitors/map-loyola.php. Information about parking will be included in the January Newsletter. Blocks of rooms have been set aside at the Hampton Inn–Garden District (504-899-9990, rooms held until January 26) and the Park View Guest House (888-533-0746, rooms held only until November 25). Information about amenities, conference rates, procedures for making reservations, and alternative accommodations is posted on our chapter website. Inquiries relating to local arrangements may be sent to Valerie Goertzen at goertzen@loyno.edu.

Call for Papers
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, Ed Hafer, at edwardhafer@yahoo.com. The Abstracts Editor will remove the names from the proposals and submit them anonymously to the program committee. Submissions must be received by Friday, 14 November 2014, 6 p.m (EST). Abstracts should be double-spaced, no longer than 500 words, and should indicate all equipment needs; if a piano 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. 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. 30, 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 member of both the national AMS and the Southern Chapter. Note: to be eligible the student must be a student member of the AMS (not a “regular” member).

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, Valerie Goertzen, via email at goertzen@loyno.edu by Thursday, 12 February 2015, 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. He or she will be acknowledged in the March AMS-S Newsletter and in the newsletter of the national organization.

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.

**Travel Assistance 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 member in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter and must attend the national meeting and present the paper or poster session in person. Students receiving acceptances for the Milwaukee meeting (November 2014) should contact Bryan Proksch, AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer, at bproksch@lamar.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 annual chapter meeting, up to a maximum of $150 per institution. A student presenter who
receives travel funding from his or her institution will not be eligible for funding from AMS-S. No application is necessary: a faculty member from each institution is responsible for requesting the funds from the Secretary-Treasurer, verifying student eligibility, and disbursing the funds.

**Are You a Member in Good Standing?**

Annual dues for our chapter are $10 for regular members and $5 for students. If you did not attend the February 2014 meeting or mail a check to the Secretary-Treasurer this calendar year, you still owe dues for 2014. Please send a note with your current email address and a check in the appropriate amount (made out to AMS, with “Southern Chapter Dues” in the memo line) to the AMS-S Secretary-Treasurer:

Bryan Proksch  
Lamar University – Music  
PO Box 10044  
Beaumont, TX 77710

Note also that Article XI of the AMS By-laws requires chapter members to be members in good standing of the AMS.

**Chapter Officers and Representatives**

Valerie Goertzen (Loyola University), President  
Margaret Butler (University of Florida), Past President*  
Bryan Proksch (Lamar University), Secretary-Treasurer*  
Brett Boutwell (Louisiana State University), AMS Council Representative  
Ed Hafer (University of Southern Mississippi), Abstracts Editor*  
Andrew Owen (Louisiana State University), Student Representative*  
Michael Vincent (University of Florida), Student Representative  
Andreas Giger (Louisiana State University), Web Master  
* denotes term ending at conclusion of 2015 meeting.

**AMS-S Committees**

Program Committee, 2015 Annual Meeting: Jennifer Roth-Burnette (University of Alabama), chair, Sarah Eyerly (Florida State University), and Blake Howe (Louisiana State University)

Nominating Committee: Alice Clark (Loyola University), chair, Michael Broyles (Florida State University), and Linda Cummins (University of Alabama)

**You've Got Mail!**

If you received this message indirectly but would like to stay up to date on all of our newsletters and activities directly, please send your email address to Margaret Butler (butlermr@ufl.edu), who manages our listserv, and ask to be put on our mailing list.
Chapter Website

Please note the link to our chapter website on the masthead. There you can find minutes and programs of our annual meetings, past issues of the Newsletter, the chapter bylaws, members’ news, and links to the AMS website. Thanks to Louisiana State University and Andreas Giger for maintaining the chapter website. Members are encouraged to send news of accomplishments, awards, or honors to agiger1@lsu.edu.