

# UPSCALE WEEKLY

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON  
MOORES SCHOOL OF MUSIC



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## News & Notes

Dear Students, Staff, and Faculty,

Welcome to the 2009-2010 school year, and if you're new to the Moores School, we are very pleased you have joined us — you will find that this is a friendly place to study and work. I am pleased to introduce our new faculty and staff: **James Reifinger**, music education; **Kelly Turner**, choral conducting; **Melanie Sonnenberg**, voice (technically, she's not "new," but this year, she's no longer a visiting professor); **Melissa Suhr** and **Peggy Russell**, flute; **Gavin Reed**, horn; **Thomas Hulten** and **Brad White**, trombone; **Phillip Freeman**, euphonium and bass trombone; **Sean Wang**, violin; and **Chapman Welch**, electronic music.

Last month, our **Concert Chorale**, **Betsy Cook Weber**, conductor, competed in a very prestigious event, the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod in Llangollen, Wales, UK. You may have seen them on television or via the internet — UH did a superb job of publicizing their activities. Placing in each of the four categories in which they entered, the choir won first in the Chamber Choir category, which allowed them to compete in the final Choir of the World competition, along with choirs from Wales, Estonia, and California. International exposure at such a major choral event was truly wonderful for the Moores School and UH, and the fact that UH President Renu Khator and her husband, Prof. Suresh Khator, were also there made it even more important. Congratulations to the Concert Chorale and Dr. Weber for this significant accomplishment.

The fall **Concert Calendar** will soon be published, so please take note of all that is going on in the MSM over the next few months and plan to attend as much

if it as possible. After a hiatus of a year, due to Hurricane Ike, we will again present *Collage*, our annual season preview of ensemble and faculty performances that this year will include the Moores Opera Center in the world premiere of *Review: a satire, an opera, a party* by Jeremy Beck, a 15 minute piece. So please be there on September 10, 7:30 pm, in the Moores Opera House for this exciting evening!

With my best wishes for a great year, I am

Sincerely yours,

David Ashley White  
Director

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, September 1, 7:30 pm**

**Robert Bates**, organ  
Works by Buxtehude  
Organ Recital Hall

**Thursday, September 10, 7:30 pm Free**

**COLLAGE 2009**

Annual season preview of our faculty, students, and performing ensembles including a world premiere of *Review: a satire, an opera, a party* by Jeremy Beck.

**Sunday, September 13, 3 pm**

*Traditions and Transitions*

**Nancy Weems**, piano

Works by Mozart, Chopin, Ives, Bernstein, Prokofieff

## What You Need To Know...

### Graduate Advising

Graduate students may call Doug Goldberg at 713-743-3314 to schedule an advising appointment.

### Undergraduate Advising

Carrie Young will see walk-in students with registration needs as available during this first week of classes. Please check-in with the Front Desk and wait in the reception area. DO NOT to miss a class while waiting to be seen. To set up an advising appointment, please send your request to cyoung11@uh.edu

### Keys

Practice room keys are only available to Music Majors. Request a key at the Front Desk, MSM Room 120 by filling out a Practice Room Key Form. This year the school will place a charge on your student account for \$25. You may keep the key until you graduate when it is to be returned for a full refund. **Any faculty member or TA who needs room or studio keys should also speak to the Front Desk.**

### Lockers are for Music Majors Only

Music majors will be assigned lockers appropriate for their primary instrument (in some instances lockers may need to be shared). Students with multiple instruments need to make other arrangements. If you renewed your locker last year, please come to the Front Desk to get your new combination. If you did not renew your locker space you will need to fill out a Locker Checkout Form. It is on a first-come, first-served basis. So Hurry!!!

### Section Numbers for Applied Lessons

Section numbers for applied lessons are posted under Course Listings as MUSA Course IDs. If you have any questions, see your advisor for assistance. The best way to find the correct section number is to enter MUSA in the Course Subject box. Then, enter your instructor's last name under "Additional Search Criteria." Select the appropriate level (freshman – 13XX; sophomore, 23XX; junior, 34XX; seniors, 44XX; Master's, 64XX; Doctoral 8420).

### Student Recitals

Students wishing to sign up for degree recitals for Fall 2009 will find the applications and instructions on the Moores School web site at <http://www.uh.edu/musicstudents/> with user name: musicstudents and password: cougar. Undergraduate students must be current on their recital attendance credits to sign-up for a recital. Please check your recital attendance record at the Front Desk. Please obtain 3 possible dates from your instructor before seeing Doug Goldberg in Room 120J to schedule your recital.

### Instrument Files

For your convenience, the Front Desk will keep your instrument information on file in case your instrument is lost or stolen. Students wishing to set up an instrument information file will find applications and instructions at the Front Desk. Information should include instrument, brand name, model number, serial number, identifying marks or characters, a photo of the instrument and case, name of your insurance company and type of policy.

### Undergraduate Recital Attendance

All undergraduate students should attend at least 12 MSM recitals/concerts (including at least 4 Tuesday recitals) each semester. Credit for Opera House/ Tuesday Recitals is recorded by swiping your COUGAR ONE CARD in and out at each event (some events only require that you swipe once). Credit for approved student recitals is processed by turning in a copy of the program (with your name & student PeopleSoft ID) to the Front Desk WITHIN two weeks of the recital. Student recital programs will not be accepted for credit after the two-week time period.

### Concert Passes

Music majors are entitled to only one free admission to most MSM events. In order to get your free ticket, present your COUGAR ONE CARD with a current validation sticker. To get a current validation sticker, see the Front Desk, MSM 120.

### Directory

Faculty room numbers and phone numbers are posted on the bulletin board by the elevators.

### Library

The library is located on the 2nd floor and is open  
Monday – Thursday: 8am – 8pm, Friday: 8 am – 5 pm  
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 2 pm, and Sunday: 2 pm – 8 pm

### Reserving Rooms

1. Obtain a Facility Application at the Front Desk.
2. Fill out form completely, including faculty signature.
3. Return form to Front Desk.
4. Once room is scheduled, office staff will list it on the computer and give you written confirmation.

**ROOMS WILL NOT BE SCHEDULED WITHOUT A SIGNED FORM.**

### Important Information

MSM Administration office:	713-743-3009
MSM Concert Information:	713-743-3313
Undergraduate Advisor:	713-743-3172
Graduate Advisor:	713-743-3314
Scholarship Coordinator:	713-743-5934
UH Registration:	713-743-1010
UH-Financial Aid:	713-743-1096
Campus Police:	713-743-3333
MSM Web site:	<a href="http://www.music.uh.edu">www.music.uh.edu</a>
MSM Current Student Web site:	<a href="http://www.uh.edu/musicstudents">www.uh.edu/musicstudents</a>

### Important Dates

Last day to add a class (with Carrie Young's assistance)	8/28/09
Last day to add a class (Online Only):	8/29/09
Last day to drop/withdraw without grade or to receive a refund	9/8/09
Last day to file application for graduation:	9/18/09
Thanksgiving Holiday:	11/25-11/28/09
Last day of class:	12/5/09
Final Examination Period:	12/9-12/17/09
Commencement/Official Closing:	12/18/09

### MOORES SCHOOL OF MUSIC BUILDING HOURS:

Monday – Friday:	7 a.m. – 11 pm
Saturday:	8 a.m. – 6 pm
Sunday:	12 noon – 8 pm

**Deadline For Upscale Weekly  
Submissions  
Wednesday at 5:00 pm**

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