

# MTNA

## MEMBERSHIP

INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

## Music Teachers National Association A Community of Committed Music Professionals

### Professional Association

Since 1876, Music Teachers National Association (MTNA) has been the undisputed leader in empowering the music-teaching professional. Our mission is to advance the value of music study and music making to society and to support the professionalism of independent and collegiate studio music teachers.

MTNA is a powerful alliance, providing a collective voice for music-teaching professionals. Our members find MTNA essential to their professional well-being, as well as an indispensable partner in their growth and development as music teachers.

Our core values—visionary leadership, service and integrity—are rooted in our unwavering commitment to our members and the profession.

As a dedicated music teacher, we know you understand the importance of membership in a professional association. Our programs and services are developed with you in mind to provide opportunities for continuing education, networking, career and professional development, peer recognition and student programs. MTNA is the best investment you can make as a music-teaching professional.

### National Certification



The MTNA Professional Certification Program exists to improve the level of professionalism within the field of music teaching and helps the public readily identify competent music teachers in their communities. Candidates must meet established criteria and successfully complete the professional certification process.

### Educational Fund

The MTNA FOUNDATION FUND supports programs that nurture the creation, performance and study of music by providing funds for grants, student competition, commissioning of new music and other important initiatives. The MTNA FOUNDATION Fellow and Endowment Fund programs honor those who have made significant contributions to music.



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# Membership Brings Opportunities

## State and Local Membership

State associations offer annual conferences and workshops, and competitive and non-competitive student activities. Local associations offer special educational programming, additional competitive and non-competitive student events and festivals, and opportunities to network with colleagues.

## Collegiate Membership

Collegiate Membership is open to all college students currently involved in music study who also are members of an affiliated state association. Collegiate members enjoy the same privileges as active members, but are ineligible to vote, hold office or enter students in MTNA competitions. The collegiate membership year is October 1 to September 30.

## American Music Teacher

MTNA members receive our bimonthly, award-winning journal, *American Music Teacher (AMT)*. This publication features insightful articles by leading music teachers, pedagogues, performers and advocates. *AMT* will motivate you and keep you up to date on the latest music-teaching advances.

## MTNA e-Journal

The *MTNA e-Journal* provides our members, especially those in academia, an online, peer-reviewed journal, which features in-depth, scholarly, research-oriented articles enhanced through the use of sound, image and video links.

## Student Opportunities

MTNA provides programs for students of all ages and levels of ability—National Student Competitions for outstanding student talents, Music for Everyone programs for all student musicians and Recreational Music Making for adult learners.

## National Student Competitions

The MTNA National Student Competitions are the most successful and prestigious student competitions in the country. Each year, hundreds of students from junior high to collegiate levels compete for top prizes and national recognition. Sponsored by leading music corporations, these competitions attract the finest performers in piano, string, voice, woodwind, brass and chamber music. Composition competitions also are held for students from elementary through collegiate levels.

## Educational Opportunities

As an MTNA member, you will enjoy enlightening educational opportunities. The MTNA National Conference, held annually, brings together the

most representative cross-section of the MTNA membership. Conference programming includes master classes, technology and informational sessions, pedagogy sessions, exhibit hall, student competitions, evening recitals and much more. In addition, MTNA periodically sponsors workshops on a variety of topics, such as group piano, wellness and Recreational Music Making.

## Professional Support Services

- \* Studio Resources
- \* Technology Information and Resources
- \* Insurance—personal and professional
- \* Legal consultation services
- \* Merchant Services
- \* Grants for teacher enrichment study
- \* Code of Ethics for teachers

For more information about membership and benefits, visit the MTNA website at [www.mtna.org](http://www.mtna.org).

# Membership Categories

**Active Membership** is open to all individuals residing in the United States or its territories who are professionally engaged in the music field and also are members of an affiliated state association. Active membership entitles you to participate in all Association activities and programs, receive official Association publications, vote and hold office. The active membership year is July 1 to June 30.

**Collegiate Membership** is open to all college students currently involved in music study who also are members of an affiliated state association. Collegiate members enjoy the same privileges as active members, but are ineligible to vote, hold office or enter students in MTNA competitions. The collegiate membership year is October 1 to September 30.

**International Membership** is open to individuals residing in other countries outside the United States and its territories. International members enjoy the same privileges as active members, including receiving official Association publications, but are ineligible to vote, hold office or enter students in MTNA competitions. International members cannot hold concurrent membership in an affiliated state association. The international membership year is July 1 to June 30.

**Six-Month Membership** is available to individuals meeting active membership criteria, who have never been MTNA members. The six-month membership runs from January 1 through June 30. Many states also offer six-month memberships. Contact the national office for information.