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Arizona State Music  
Teachers Association

## Conference Schedule

THURSDAY | 05.29.2025 | 9:30AM - 2:20PM

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**9:30-11:30**      **ASMTA Board Meeting**  
*Courtyard by Marriott Phoenix Mesa*  
*Conference Room*

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**11:00-11:50**

**In-Person Registration**  
*Lobby*

**Visit Exhibitors Booths**  
*Band Room*

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**12:00-12:50**      **CONFERENCE OPENING CEREMONY:  
ENTREPRENEURIAL ARTIST TALK**  
*"My Journey in Piano Pedagogy & Social  
Media Success"*  
**IRINA GORIN**  
*Recital Hall*

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**1:00-1:25**      **ASMTA General Membership Meeting**  
*Recital Hall*

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**1:30-2:20**      *"Selected Solo Piano Works of Chen Yi: A  
Performance Demonstration"*  
**DR. NADIA FEEKEN**  
*Recital Hall*

*"Better Lessons, Better Learning"*  
**SHELLE SOELBERG**  
*Choir Room*

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THURSDAY | 05.29.2025 | 2:30PM - 9:30PM

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**CONFERENCE ARTIST SESSION:**

**2:30–3:50**      *"The Development of Technical and  
Music Skills at the Initial Stages of Piano  
Studies: Eastern-European School of  
Music and Tales of a Music Journey"*  
**IRINA GORIN**  
*Recital Hall*

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**4:00–4:25**      *"Put On Your Thinking Hat!  
Problem Solving Strategies for the  
Studio"*  
**JENNIFER FOXX**  
*Recital Hall*

*"ASP and Learning Modalities"*  
**VICTORIA MACDONALD**  
*Choir Room*

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**4:30–5:55**      *Elementary & Early Intermediate  
Masterclass*  
**IRINA GORIN, Piano**  
*Recital Hall*

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**6:00–6:30**      **Pre-Banquet Reception**  
*Lobby/Recital Hall*

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**6:30–9:30**      **Annual Gala & Banquet Dinner**  
*Recital Hall*

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FRIDAY | 05.30.2025 | 9:00AM - 3:20PM

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9:00–9:25	<b>EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE PRESENTATION:</b> <i>“Let’s Play Music”</i> SHELLE SOELBERG <i>Recital Hall</i>	<i>“Shaping Communities: The Musician as Cultural ‘Oracle’”</i> DR. STEPHEN COOK <i>Choir Room</i>
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9:30–10:20	<b>CONFERENCE ARTIST SESSION:</b> <i>In Conversation with Aviram Reichert</i> <i>Recital Hall</i>
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10:30–12:20	<i>Late Intermediate &amp; Advanced Masterclass</i> AVIRAM REICHERT, Piano <i>Recital Hall</i>
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12:30–1:30	Lunch Break	Visit Exhibitors Booths <i>Band Room</i>
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1:30–2:20	<i>“The Secrets of Winning Piano Competitions”</i> DR. IVONA KAMINSKA & DR. CHRISTOPHER BOWLBY <i>Recital Hall</i>	<i>“Playing to Personalities: Enhancing Learning Using Bartle’s Player Types”</i> DR. CHRISTINA LIU <i>Choir Room</i>
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2:30–3:20	<b>CONFERENCE GUEST SPEAKER SESSION:</b> <i>“Tax Planning Essentials for Musicians”</i> DR. JENNY BROWN <i>Recital Hall</i>
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FRIDAY | 05.30.2025 | 3:30AM - 9:00PM

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**COMMISSIONED COMPOSER SESSION &  
WORLD PREMIERE PERFORMANCE**

3:30-4:20

*"Echoes of Stone and Sky"*

**CONNOR CHEE**

*Recital Hall*

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*"Focal Dystonia in Pianists - A Guide to  
Recovery and Possible Cure Through  
Neuroplastic Retraining"*

4:30-5:20

**CHIAO-ROU LIU**

*Recital Hall*

*"Help! It's Not on YouTube!!!"*

**BENITA ROSE**

*Choir Room*

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*"Schubert's Celebrated Masterpiece -  
Fantasie in F minor for 4-hands"*

5:30-5:55

**Dr. IVONA KAMINSKA & DR. CHRISTOPHER**

**BOWLBY**

*Recital Hall*

*"Fear of Missing Out (FOMO): Retention  
strategies that keep students coming  
long-term"*

**MARIE LEE**

*Choir Room*

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6:00-7:30

**Dinner Break**

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7:30-9:00

**Conference Artist Recital**

**AVIRAM REICHERT, Piano**

*Recital Hall*

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SATURDAY | 05.31.2025 | 9:00AM - 1:00PM

9:00-9:50

*"Latvian Female Composers"*

**BENITA ROSE**

*Recital Hall*

*"Harmonizing Security:  
Essential Cybersecurity Strategies for  
Music Educators"*

**NANCY KEUPER & JAMES HEUSER**

*Choir Room*

10:00-10:50

**CONFERENCE GUEST SPEAKER SESSION:**

*"ABT: The Power of Storytelling"*

**PARK HOWELL**

*Recital Hall*

11:00-11:50

**CONFERENCE GUEST SPEAKER SESSION:**

*"ABT Workshop"*

**PARK HOWELL**

*Recital Hall*

12:00-1:00

**Lunch Break**

**Visit Exhibitors Booth**

*Band Room*



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SATURDAY | 05.31.2025 | 1:00PM - 6:00PM

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1:00-1:50  
*"Back to the Future: The  
Interdependence of In-Person, Online,  
Hybrid Piano Instruction, and the Use of  
AI Applications"*  
DR. JOÃO PAULO CASAROTTI  
*Recital Hall*

*"MTNA Certification: Your Ticket to  
Professional Growth Growth"*  
MELODIE ACKER & VICTORIA  
MACDONALD  
*Choir Room*

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2:00-2:50  
*"The Musician Multipreneur"*  
DR. SILVAN NEGRUȚIU  
*Recital Hall*

*"Parental Guidance Suggested"*  
SYMONE LUND  
*Choir Room*

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3:00-3:50  
*"Nonprofits 101:  
The Business Behind the Arts"*  
DR. MICHELLE WACHTER  
*Recital Hall*

*"Level Up! Using Gamification to  
Enhance Lessons"*  
DR. CHRISTINA LIU  
*Choir Room*

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5:00pm  
James R. Anthony Honors Recital  
Winners' Ceremony Concert  
*Recital Hall*

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