

## GREETINGS ALL!

All of our three regional chapters, Connecticut, Boston and Shoreline (R.I.) have begun this program year with enthusiasm! There are many wonderful events taking place and I encourage you to take advantage of these wonderful opportunities. I wish you all the best for the coming year!



### Shoreline Chapter Margaret Day, president

The Shoreline chapter began this year early with a “**Kickoff**” chapter meeting on **August 24**. Activities included a business meeting and a presentation on “**Stage Presence**” by **Margaret Day**. A good time was had by all!

**Note:** The Shoreline chapter welcomes members from other chapters to attend all of their events. Visitors only need to pay \$5 for an annual membership! For further information please contact Margaret Day at [maggieday@cox.net](mailto:maggieday@cox.net).

### Upcoming Workshops:

- **March 29** - Workshop and concert by jazz harpist **Brandee Younger**
- **April 25** - “Three’s a Chord” workshop by Ray Pool

### Boston Chapter Ina Zdorovetchi, president

The Boston chapter began the year with a **Pot-luck Music Sale** on **October 6th**. Harpists brought used music and cds to buy and sell with all proceeds going to benefit the chapter. It was a great success! This fall, AHS Boston also hosted their biannual student recital on **November 1**.

Following this engaging start to the season, there are several exciting and educational events planned. The **Boston Harp Gala** will see its third year in production on **January 24** at the Boston Conservatory. Please contact **Ina Zdorovetchi** at [ahs.boston@gmail.com](mailto:ahs.boston@gmail.com) for further information or to participate.

Harp-maker **Dave Kortier** and harpist **Martha Gallagher** will present a workshop and demonstration of Dave’s new invention, the **MIDI harp** which can produce

sounds of other instruments as well as transcribe directly to a computer. This event will take place on **February 21** at the Boston Conservatory.

### Upcoming Events:

- **April/May** – Student Recital
  - **May 2** – **Ann Hobson Pilot’s** Final Concert with BSO
- Upcoming Performances:
- **Nov. 18** – BU Faculty Recital with **Barbara Poeschl-Edrich**
  - Boston Conservatory student Recitals:
    - Feb. 3** – **Tomina Parvanova**
    - Mar. 8** – **Izabella Angelova**
    - Mar. 14** – **Katrina Thompson**
    - Apr. 4** – **Erica Driscoll**
  - **May 22** – Boston Modern Orchestra Project concert with **Ina Zdorovetchi** – World-Premiere Harp Concerto

### Connecticut Chapter Wendy Kerner Lucas, president

The Connecticut chapter will usher in the ‘08/’09 season with a combined meeting and performance event on **November 16<sup>th</sup>** in Stratford, CT at the Public Library. **Deborah Hoffman**, principal harpist with the Metropolitan Opera, will be the guest harpist for the day offering helpful comments to students as well as sharing her

own music performance and discussion of her career. For further information, please contact **Wendy Kerner Lucas** at [wklharp@optonline.net](mailto:wklharp@optonline.net).

Other events taking place include a **student holiday performance** at a local Norwalk, CT nursing home on **December 7<sup>th</sup>** (contact **Emily Oppenheimer** at 203-838-5972),

#### Upcoming Performances:

- Nov. 2 - US Coast Guard Band Concert, Norwalk, CT Concert Hall Megan Sesma
- Nov. 9 - Students of Pat Kendziorski, Valley Presbyterian Church, Brookfield, CT
- Nov. 14 - Spring Recital by Wesleyan University Harp Students

- Nov. 15 - Bridgeport Symphony Wendy Kerner Lucas
  - Nov. 16 - US Coast Guard Band Concert, Megan Sesma, New London, CT
  - Nov. 16 - Staten Island Music Festival, Brandee Younger
  - Nov. 18 - Hartford Children's Medical Center Performance, Wendy Kerner Lucas
  - Nov. 19 - Aralia Duo, Harpist Megan Sesma and Soprano Patricia Schuman -Sprague Memorial Hall, Yale Univ.
  - Nov. 20 - Encore Music Forum, Brandee Younger Trio Nabi Art Gallery, NYC
- \* Student competition in May  
\* Annual student recital in June

#### Harps for Sale

Lyon & Healy style 17 gold/bronze. Excellent condition. New strings October 2008. Second owners. Rarely moved. Photos available on request. \$17,000.00. Email for more details: [HuntingVly@aol.com](mailto:HuntingVly@aol.com)

#### Harps for Rent

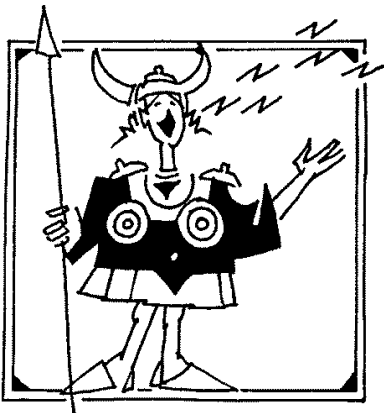
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## Funny Ha Ha!



Q: What's the definition of an optimist?  
A: A harpist with a tuner.

Q: How does a harp diva change a light bulb?  
A: She just holds on and the world revolves around her.

Q: How many harpists does it take to change a light bulb?  
A: Five: one to handle the bulb, and the other four to tell her which is the best hand position to use.

Fact: A Harp is a naked piano...