

MTNA Collegiate Chapters

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The New Jersey MTNA Collegiate Chapter is under the direction of Professor Ingrid Clarfield. As collegiate members, students have the opportunity to expand their professional careers in pedagogical and musical events with other great musicians from around the country.

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This year's members of the NJMTA Collegiate Chapter of Westminster Choir College include Jason Gallagher (Jr. Faculty Advisor), Ray Nugent (President), Alexandra Pitocchi (Secretary), Hannah Lanese (Treasurer), and Raymond Lau and Jason Gallagher (Community Outreach). The NJMTA Collegiate Chapter has been active in community outreach programs this past year in such locations as The Pavilions at Forrestal Assisted Living Facility in Princeton, NJ. We are also looking into other facilities in the area and have already located a few new possible venues for this year. We have enjoyed giving outreach recitals to the patients and staff there who are always excited to have us and eager to see us as many times during the year as possible. Recent activities also include preparation for the NJMTA Conference in fundraising endeavors: we will be selling used music and maintaining a silent auction for Master Classes given by Westminster Choir College piano faculty members. All proceeds will go to the chapter to help finance our attendance at the 2016 MTNA National Conference in San Antonio, Texas in April. We have a variety of new members, undergraduates and graduate students, who are very enthusiastic about how their experiences in NJMTA and MTNA will help them with their future. Each member is passionate about the chapter and excited to be a part of this organization.

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An MTNA collegiate chapter is the future music teacher's connection with the larger community of committed music professionals—a community committed to inspiring and developing the utmost professionalism in all its members. MTNA collegiate chapters provide a way to fill gaps—to provide the information and experience necessary to complete an education as both a knowledgeable, inspiring music teacher and a successful entrepreneur.

Mission Statement

MTNA collegiate chapters provide educational, musical, social and professional experiences that augment the student's formal course of study, acquaint students with professional opportunities and career options in the field of music, and develop professional leadership skills. Collegiate chapters also provide an important opportunity for MTNA college faculty members to increase their participation in MTNA activities by becoming a collegiate chapter advisor.