MTAC SCV BRANCH ROMANTIC MUSIC FESTIVAL GUIDELINES Sunday April 27, 2025 from 3 to 6pm at Little School of Music 28306 Constellation Rd., Valencia, CA 91355

(Participants will be given specific times at least one week prior to competition)

ELIGIBLE WORKS: PUBLISHED works by Romantic era composers in ORIGINAL FORM - no arrangements. No romantic pieces from contemporary composers. All instruments may participate. Solo entries only No duets. Please bring an ORIGINAL score or part for the adjudicators and an original part for yourself, if needed. NO PHOTOCOPIES ALLOWED.

PARTICIPATION: Students of MTAC teachers to age 18 are eligible, all instruments.

JUDGING: Students will be judged on how well they perform on their instrument, according to their level. There will be several categories:

Elementary: Levels Prep to 2 (3 minute time limit)
Intermediate: Levels 3 to 5 (5 minute time limit)
Advanced: Levels 6 and 7 (7 minute time limit)
Higher Advanced: Levels 8 and higher (8 minutes)

Elementary and intermediate students must heed the time limit. Judges will be made aware of the time limit for advanced and higher advanced participants as well. If their piece goes over the time limit it will be up to the judges discretion whether or not to cut the student and /or deduct points for not staying within the time limit.

MEMORIZATION OF MUSIC IS NOT MANDATORY: however, 5 extra points or added consideration will be granted by each judge (10 total) to those who do memorize their music. Winners will be announced in each category and receive trophies. In addition, the top 3 will be given a medal for first, second and third place. SCV MTAC requires that only a limited number of MTAC staff members/teachers, judges and participants shall be permitted in the recital hall and a maximum of two family members can attend per participant

FEE: \$40 per participant. No ensembles. Students of MTAC teachers may enter the festival in more than one instrument, but will be required to include a separate entry fee and application for each performance. Teachers, please collect fees from students and write one check only, made out to SCV MTC, along with a list of participants.

DEADLINE: Teachers, send one check per studio and email <u>susanc48@hotmail.com</u> for her mailing address. It must be postmarked by Saturday April 19th. Online entry forms must be filled out online on the branch website, mtacscvbranch.org

DRESS CODE: Concert dress is required for performance in the festival. Girls: Dress orskilrt and top with dress shoes. Boys: Dress slacks, collared shirt and tie. No running shoes.