

Special Thanks

We would like to express our gratitude and thanks to the administration, faculty, and staff at the Mississippi University for Women for hosting this year's MS District Conference.



National Association of Teachers of Singing

Mississippi Annual Student Auditions and Spring Conference

February 25–26, 2022

Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, MS

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Friday, February 25th

- 9:00 am **MS NATS Board Meeting**
Pope Banquet Room (Hogarth)
- 11:00 am **Teacher/Judge Registration**
Lobby (Poindexter Hall)
- 12:00 pm **Welcome & Judges' Meeting**
Kossen Auditorium (Poindexter Hall)
Jamie Dahman, Auditions Chair
- 12:30–5:30 pm **First Round of Student Auditions**
Poindexter Hall & Carrier Chapel

3:00–3:30 pm	Wellness Workshop (*attend either session): "A Yoga-based 'Reset'" Susan Hurley Rent Auditorium (Whitfield Hall)
3:30–4:00 pm	

***Open to all students and teachers who are finished singing and judging.*

- 7:30 pm **Member Presentations**
Kossen Auditorium (Poindexter Hall)
- Lecture-recital: "*An die ferne Geliebte*, A Close-Up"
Jamie Dahman and Christy Lee
 - Performance: "A Spiritual Song Exploration"
Phyllis Lewis-Hale and Kumiko Shimizu
 - Lecture: "On Being an Instrument"
Viola Dacus

Please remain seated at the conclusion of the recitals for the announcement of the student finalists and judging assignments.

Saturday, February 26th

- 8:00 am **Chapter Breakfast/State Meeting**
Pope Banquet Room (Hogarth) *upstairs*
- 10:00 am **Finals: Student Competition**
Kossen Auditorium (Poindexter Hall)
- Group 1: 3, 4, 7A, 8A, 7B, 8B** (Classical HS to college sophomores)
Group 2: 15A, 15B, 16, 17, 18, 11A, 12A (Spiritual, Avocational, Younger Adult, Older Adult, Juniors)
Group 3: 11B, 12B, 13A, 14A, 13B, 14B (Seniors to Graduate Students)
Group 4: 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10 (All Music Theater categories)

Remember the time limit of four minutes per singer in the Final Round.

- ca. 1:00 pm **Presentation of Awards**
Kossen Auditorium (Poindexter Hall)
- Amanda Johnston, President
Jamie Dahman, Auditions Chair

Starts immediately following the final performance

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