Greetings, MS Chapter colleagues. I hope this finds you all well and rested.

Online registration for our upcoming Spring Conference and Auditions on February 23-24 at University of Mississippi is officially online and ready to receive information. Hopefully, all issues with AuditionNow registration set-up have been anticipated and/or resolved, but should you experience difficulties, please email me at drgarlotte@gmail.com. **DEADLINE for REGISTRATION is Tuesday, February 6, 2024**.

For those of you using AuditionNow for the first time, it appears to be fairly intuitive and user-friendly. **To access AuditionNow:** 

- Login on the <u>NATS.org</u> page, arriving at the Members Home page.
- Scroll down and click on the green "AuditionNow" button.
- You will be transferred to the AuditionNow login page, but *WAIT* and you will <u>automatically</u> be logged into AuditionNow.

(Note: It has been my experience that you will need to follow this same procedure – Members Home, green button, wait for auto-login – if you find yourself waiting at the AuditionNow login screen <u>long-term</u> while still logged into your NATS member account. Refreshing your screen within AuditionNow, for example, will likely require this reentry.)

Once logged in, choose the following (circled in red on the graphic):

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Choosing our event will automatically take you to the next page where you may begin the registration process for yourself and your students.



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Hotel information will be coming very soon in a separate communication.

From an earlier email, Nick Perna previously requested applications for member performances and/or presentations. "If you would like to submit to present or sing for our Friday evening event, please complete this Google Form. (<u>https://forms.gle/8iUKpk6oSQd4svyt7</u>) Mini-recitals, lecture recitals, research presentations are all welcome. This will be a peer reviewed process, so it can hopefully be a part of your tenure or promotion materials as needed, or simply a rewarding experience for all involved. We would ask that performances or presentations are limited to 25 minutes. Proposals are due January 31st."

Within the same email, Nick also requested nominations for the office of Vice President/President-Elect. Please send nominations of others or yourself to him at <a href="https://nkperna@mc.edu">nkperna@mc.edu</a>.

On our <u>Mississippi Chapter</u> webpage, the informational links for "<u>Audition Instructions</u>," "<u>Categories and</u> <u>Rep Req</u>[uirements]," and "<u>Judging Procedures</u>" under "MS Audition Guidelines" have been updated to reflect current information and recent Chapter decisions. If you accessed these links recently and still see outdated information, please refresh your screen.

Colleagues, I thank each of you for your patience during our exploration and testing of this new auditioning tool. Should you have questions, please do reach out.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the conference in February!

Warmest regards,

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