

2024 PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

MSMTA has reserved a room block for conference attendees at the DoubleTree Hilton Edgewater Hotel, located at 100 Madison Street in Missoula. The reservation deadline for the group rate is October 10, 2024. Reservations may be made by calling (406) 728-3100 or online by visiting <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/rlmv-dt-smt-bc1dd9c9-5981-443b-acbd-4e4cd33559d5/>.

Thursday, October 31

9:15-9:30	Welcome
9:30-10:45	“The Art of the Phrase,” <i>Dr. Peter Mack</i>
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00-12:00	“Arranging, Coaching, and Performing Piano Ensemble Music,” <i>Dr. Jeff Shumway</i>
12:00-1:30	Lunch on your own
1:30-2:45	“Your Brain on Music, What’s New and Why Does Your Brain Love Music So Much?” <i>Diane Volkman, NCTM</i>
2:45-3:00	Break
3:00-4:15	“Not Only Für Elise: Gorgeous Unknown Compositions by Well-Known Composers,” <i>Dr. Peter Mack</i>
4:15-4:30	Break
4:30-5:15	“Northwest Region Happenings,” <i>Steven Hesla, NCTM, Northwest Division Director</i>
5:15-6:00	Break
6:00-6:30	Conference Reception
6:30-8:30	Awards Banquet

Friday, November 1

9:00-9:15	Welcome
9:15-10:00	“Lower the Rear End of the Elephant Slowly onto the Keys, Part I,” <i>Dr. Peter Mack</i>
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-11:45	Independent Music Teachers’ Forum, <i>Stephanie Stevens, NCTM, Facilitator</i>
11:45-1:00	Local President’s Lunch (Pre-registration required)
1:00-2:00	Masterclass
2:00-2:15	Break
2:45-3:45	“Lower the Rear End of the Elephant Slowly onto the Keys, Part II,” <i>Dr. Peter Mack</i>
3:45-4:00	Break
4:15-5:45	“Navigating the Present, Investing in the Future: Engaging Students One Lesson at a Time in a Complex World,” <i>Dr. Colleen Hunter</i>
5:45-6:00	Raffle
6:00-7:30	Dinner on your own
7:30-9:00	Conference Recital, <i>Dr. Jeff Shumway</i>

Saturday, November 2

9:00-10:30	General Meeting of the Association (All Members)
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-11:45	Masterclass
11:45-12:00	Closing Remarks