

The Friends of Scott Joplin are pleased to announce A Master's Class in Ragtime

Saturday, March 15, 2008
Scott Joplin House State Historic Site
2658 Delmar, St. Louis, MO 63103

We are pleased to announce the continuation of our Masters Class in Ragtime for students enrolling in our annual Ragtime Piano Competition. Nationally known Ragtime performer Sue Keller will be in St. Louis to listen to the young pianists play and to offer any guidance she might find helpful.

Sue Keller began her ragtime obsession in 1974 after graduating from DePauw University with a degree in Music and Theater. Since then she has treated audiences to her piano and vocal performances throughout the world. Her appearances have ranged from the grand opening of Faneuil Hall Marketplace in Boston Harbor to the fabled Mikado nightclub in Tokyo, across the continent of Australia, and even to the Great Wall of China.

Sue is recognized as one of the world's top ragtime pianists. In addition to her many performances at ragtime festivals nationwide, she has been active in promoting the ragtime form, establishing the Ragtime Press to bring to light the work of original ragtime composers, serving on the board and as a judge for the Old-Time Piano Championship in Peoria, IL, and serving as artistic director for the Scott Joplin Festival held annually in Sedalia, MO.

The class will be structured as follows: We will begin at 9:30, and each student will spend approximately 20 minutes with Sue. We ask that he or she be as well prepared as possible by this date in order to derive the most from this experience. Because of the time required for these one-on-one classes, Sue has asked us to limit enrollment to 12 students. The fee for this extraordinary opportunity is \$10. The performance schedule will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Performers will be notified of acceptance and appointment time by March 8, and we will refund any check accompanying an unaccepted application.

We invite you and your family to the Scott Joplin House State Historic Site at 7:00 p.m., the evening of March 15, to enjoy Sue in concert.

The Friends of Scott Joplin 2008 Masters Class in Ragtime

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Age (on May 10, 2008) _____

Composition: _____ Composer: _____

Make \$10 check payable to the Friends of Scott Joplin (a not-for-profit organization) and mail with this form to Richard Egan, 564 Woodlyn Crossing, Manchester MO 63021. Please call (636) 394-1068 if you have any questions.