

Professional Development

• Professional Credentials

Only PTG members are eligible to take Registered Piano Technician (RPT) exams - the premier accreditation for professional piano technicians.

• Education & Training

PTG-sponsored classes, seminars, conferences and conventions are the place to learn new skills and develop business relationships. PTG members receive significant discounts on registration.

• Networking through Local Chapter Membership

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• PTG Online at www.ptg.org

Search for industry resources and training opportunities. Shop the PTG Store Online. Download RPT exam study materials. Access the Member Area for more resources.

• Associate Scholarships

The PTG Foundation offers scholarships each year to cover the cost of convention and RPT exam fees for Associates. Visit my.ptg.org/Foundation for more information.

• PTGF Disaster Relief

The Piano Technicians Guild Foundation administers a Disaster Relief Fund used to give aid to PTG members who are affected by natural disasters. Any member may request aid for themselves or another member by contacting the PTG Home Office.

Publications

• Piano Technicians Journal

Every PTG member gets a free subscription to the monthly *Piano Technicians Journal* plus an annual "Guide to Resources in Piano Technology." Now available online at my.ptg.org! Searchable and downloadable.

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PTG members are eligible for a discounted rate of \$69 per year (regular rate \$95) for a business listing in the Local Services Directory. You choose the geographical areas where you want to advertise. Learn more at pianobuyer.com.

• PianoWorld.com

Take advantage of a special \$100 annual rate (save \$79!) to advertise on the "Find a Tuner" feature of the PianoWorld web site. RPTs can also include the RPT logo at no extra cost. Visit www.PianoWorld.com/PTG to sign up.

• PianoSupplies.com

PTG members get a 10% discount on items purchased from www.pianosupplies.com. PianoSupplies.com offers a wide array of piano and music-related products. Log in to the Member Area of www.ptg.org for the discount code to use at checkout.

• Business Tools

Visit the Business & Marketing section of the member area to find downloadable materials for marketing and consumer education. PTG members receive discounts on most items in the PTG Store. RPTs enjoy free web advertising on the PTG web site along with a variety of RPT-only forms, downloadable logos and promotional items. Call PTG at 913-432-9975, or visit www.ptg.org for more information or to place an order.

• Business Liability, Tool & Bailee Insurance

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• Life Insurance

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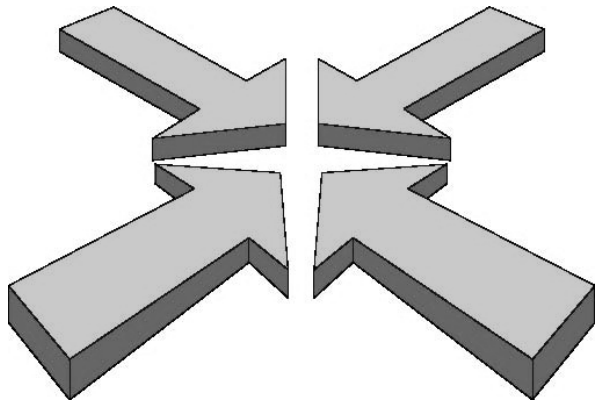
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*Are you a former member of the PTG? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, what year(s)?				
*Have you ever been convicted of a felony? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If yes, you must supply a full fingerprint-supported background check by mail before your application will be considered complete.)				
*Birthdate: (MM/DD/YYYY) _____/_____/_____				
Optional: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Check if you are visually impaired.				

By signing this application, I hereby apply for membership in the Piano Technicians Guild (PTG). To the best of my knowledge, all information submitted on this application is correct. I acknowledge that I have read the Code of Ethics on the reverse side of this application and I agree to abide by all Bylaws, Regulations and Codes of the Piano Technicians Guild. I authorize PTG to verify the information I have provided.

***Applicant Signature:** _____ ***Date Signed:** _____

Chapter nearest to your primary address: _____
If no chapter is indicated, PTG will assign one and send appropriate notifications to the chapter.

The membership process may be expedited by having a local chapter officer (must be an RPT) sign below before submitting your application to the Piano Technicians Guild.

Signing below indicates that the chapter has no objection to this application for membership.

_____/_____/_____

Chapter Officer SignatureTitleDate

Thank you for your interest in the Piano Technicians Guild (PTG). Membership is open to all individuals 18 years of age or over with a professional or avocational interest in piano technology. All members must belong to a chapter in their area unless applying for International Membership. To qualify for International status, your primary address must be outside the U.S., Canada or Mexico and have no access to a local chapter of PTG. There are no examination requirements to become a member.

PIANO TECHNICIANS GUILD MISSION

The mission of the Piano Technicians Guild is to promote the highest possible standards of piano service by providing members with opportunities for professional development, by recognizing technical competence through examinations and by advancing the interests of its members.

PIANO TECHNICIANS GUILD CODE OF ETHICS

1. I will act honorably and in a professional manner.
2. I will uphold the principles of honesty and integrity for which the Piano Technicians Guild stands.
3. I will represent my education, training, experience and area of expertise honestly and accurately.
4. I will uphold the Mission, Objectives and Principles of the Piano Technicians Guild.
5. I will render the best possible service under the circumstances, always keeping the best interests of my client in mind.
6. I will use the name and trademarks of the Piano Technicians Guild properly and will encourage others to do the same.
7. I will strive to upgrade my professional skills and I will encourage and help others to do the same.
8. I will promote good will towards my profession and towards the music industry.
9. I will engage only in business practices that are in accord with the antitrust guidelines as set forth by the Piano Technicians Guild.

PTG Bylaws Article II. Section F - Membership Obligations, Discipline and Good Standing

1. Each member of the Piano Technicians Guild is obliged to observe the laws of PTG and of the chapter in which membership is held. Further, each PTG member is obliged to maintain conduct which will reflect the ethics and attitudes in the PTG Code of Ethics.
2. Any member who fails to observe PTG obligations shall be open to discipline. Such failure shall be charged only by following the procedures specified in Regulations, Article VII.
3. A member shall be in good standing when all dues and fees required by PTG and his/her chapter have been paid, and the member is not currently under suspension.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANT: Please note that incomplete applications will not be processed.

1. Complete and sign the front of the application and submit it with a \$150 application fee to the Piano Technicians Guild at the address listed below. The application fee is not a part of your annual membership dues and is non-refundable. The membership process may be expedited by having a local chapter officer (must be an RPT) sign the front of this form stating that the chapter has no objections to the application. If you don't obtain a signature, your application will be forwarded to a local chapter for review.
2. You will be sent a letter informing you of the dues required to begin your membership once the application process is complete. You have ninety (90) days from the time of chapter approval to pay your dues or you will need to reapply.
3. Upon payment of your pro-rated dues, your membership will be activated and you will receive full benefits of PTG membership. Your local chapter will inform you separately of the amount you owe, if any, for local chapter dues. If you have any questions, please contact Member Services at (913) 432-9975.

Return your application and \$150 (USD) non-refundable application fee to:
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHAPTER:

1. Upon receipt of an application, the Home Office shall forward a copy of the application to the appropriate chapter.
2. An officer of the chapter (who must be a Registered Piano Technician) shall complete the Chapter Notification form and return the completed form to the Home Office within 90 (ninety) days of receipt of the original application.
3. In the event of an objection, the local chapter shall notify the Home Office in writing of the specific reason for the objection (see Regulations Article III, Section A.3.) In order to be considered, such notice of objection must be submitted according to the requirements found in Bylaws Article II, Section E.3.
4. The chapter can expedite the membership process by signing the front of this application before it is submitted to the Home Office.

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