AGO Sight Reading Workshop with Dr. Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler
Saturday, March 7th 2020 / 10 a.m. - noon
Pinnacle Presbyterian Church in Scottsdale, AZ

Sight Reading 101

1. Pick any book with sheet music from your shelf and sight read every day for 15-20 minutes

2. Practice spatial awareness when you are learning any piece of repertoire

3. Before you play a piece for the first time, study the music:
   - figure out the form, phrases, key, scales and possible chords within the key, meter, melodic and rhythmic patterns, key changes, mood, dynamics, articulation, etc.
   - recognize complicated passages and write in chords and fingering if needed
   - imagine the music in your head

4. When you play:
   - play the patterns not the notes
   - always look ahead
   - never stop
   - skip notes or improvise if necessary
   - make music!