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ORCHESTRA
PROGRAM



Spring 2024 Concerts

May 18 and 19, 2024

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***DC Youth Orchestra Program
students, families, friends
and supporters, welcome to
our Spring 2024 Concerts!***



As we round out our 2023-2024 season, I am also completing my first full year as Executive Director of DCYOP! Thank you all for welcoming me into your community and sharing your students' talents with me.

I have admired all our teaching artists for the time and talents they give our students and this program. I greatly appreciate all our families for the time, patience and support they give to get their students to and from rehearsals to prepare them for events such as the spring concerts, and to keep them encouraged to practice and stay focused. I know this is no small feat!

I am especially grateful to our supporters; our board members, those who volunteer their time, give in-kind or can donate financially. Your support has contributed to many instrument purchases, lessons, recitals, concerts, tours and beyond. Thank you all for such a great year. I look forward to an even more wondrous 2024-2025 season!

Enjoy the performance!!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Loretta Thompson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "T".

Loretta Thompson
Executive Director

DC Youth Orchestra Program Spring Concert

Beginner Students (cont.)

Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 12:00pm

University of the District of Columbia Theater of the Arts

Percussion **Corey Hewitt, Instructor**
Level A
All It Is
All It Was

Continuing Level A
A Lot More
Combo Mambo

Bassoon **Na’Vaughn Martin, Instructor**
J. Weissenborn Bassoon Method #6

French Horn **Kaitlyn Winters, Instructor**
Hey Ho Nobody’s Home
Billy Grogan’s Goat

Trombone **Susan Agazzi, Instructor**
Hot Cross Buns
Merrily We Roll Along
Crusaders March
Go Tell Bill

Saxophone **Erika Cuffy, Instructor**
Level A
Au Claire de la Lune

Continuing Level A
Mary Ann
Surprise Symphony

Clarinet **Ian van Nuys, Instructor**
Level A
Jingle Bells
Ode to Joy

Clarinet Continuing Level A

Bingo

Take Me Out to the Ball Game

Harp

Lauren Twombly, Instructor

Level A

Natasha's Piece

Penelope's Piece

Continuing Level A

Scales and Arpeggios

Procession of the Pharaohs

Trumpet

Kevin McKee, Instructor

Empire Strikes Back

Let's Go Band!

Flute

Keith Kelsey, Instructor

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Cello

Syneva Colle, Instructor

Hot Cross Buns

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Cello

Rachel Pereira, Instructor

Level A

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Continuing Level A

Lightly Row

French Folk Song

Cello

Denna Purdie, Instructor

Crunchy Cookies

Mary Had a Little Lamb

Bass

Hot Cross Buns
Improvisation is Fun!

Omar Martinez, Instructor**Viola**

Hot Cross Buns
Mary Had a Little Lamb

Brandon Lewis, Instructor**Viola**

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Ruth Swope, Instructor**Viola**

Merrily We Roll Along
Au Claire de la Lune

YaShauna Swan, Instructor**Violin**

Hot Cross Buns

Adie Muller, Instructor**Violin****Level A**

Flower Song
Hot Cross Buns
Monkey Song

Yuan-Ju Liu, Instructor**Continuing Level A**

Merrily We Roll Along
Hello Mouse
Hiccup Song

Violin

Au Clair de la Lune
Indian Lament

Josalyn Walker, Instructor**Violin**

Twinkles Rhythm Variations arr. S. Suzuki

Ken Giles, Instructor

Percussion – Corey Hewitt

Joshua Andrade
George Bory
Elizabeth Davidson
Askia Goddard
Ankang Guan
Nora Hallerman
Zita O'Connell-Lies
Javi Patterson
Lincoln Stingley

Bassoon – Na’Vaughn Martin

Landon Hogans

French Horn – Kaitlyn Winters

Malcolm Stuart

Trombone – Susan Agazzi

Haniyah Akbar
Edison Payne

Saxophone – Erika Cuffy

Diarra Konaté Galvin
Prince Pooda

Clarinet – Ian van Nuys

Ross Foulds
Brady Hansen
Isaac Jarman
Ella Jessup
Delilah Payne
Gabrielle Robin
Morgan Smith

Flute – Keith Kelsey

Karis Douglas
Catherine Hansen
Nora Kraeger
Tessa Monninger
Samuel Montes-Becker

Birch Staiger
Milena Yeakey

Harp – Lauren Twombly

Natasha Bryant
Skye Harrison
Penelope Lewis
Hylas Stayanovich

Trumpet – Kevin McKee

Ethan Arons
Eliana Fowler-Hurtado
Margot Jarman
Khalil Page

Cello – Syneva Colle

Lucy Abou-Samra
Ambrielle DeVaughn
Reed Fruchtman
Marina Hogan
Olivia Johnson
Natalie Rose Leistikow
Jules Oandasan
John Stephenson
Jordan Turner

Cello – Denna Purdie

Buraimoh Gbadamosi
Orin McDonough

Cello – Rachel Pereira

Justice Baldi
Addison Bolston
Vivienne Bolston
Olivia Brown
Noah Cohen
Owen Kim
Mateo Luna Hand
Nikolas Maceus
Milo Morris

Quinn Packard
Barratt Shickman

Bass – Omar Martinez

Jackson Black
Yacelee Capellan
Abram Fulmore
Emanuel Suarez

Viola – Brandon Lewis

Alan Capellan
Jeremiah Foster

Viola – Ruth Swope

Khaleel Aziz
Zamir Aziz
Izabella Ramirez
Sylvia Sheridan

Viola – YaShauna Swan

Cali Barbieri-Gatling
Acasta Cash
Isabella Don
Nathan McQueen
Ayodeji Olawunmi
Volta Russell

Violin – Adie Muller

Alexander Arons
Araceli Garcia Valentine
Zoë Jackson
Kristian Jones

Violin – Yuan-ju Liu

Sarai Akbar
Bradley An
Alexis Andrews
Sophia Fair
Octavia Fuentes
Wesley Fulmore

Kieran Gowda
Lloyd Hatcher
Hugo Lichtenstein
Maxine Morris
Kiara Neu
Amari Rembert
Niles Wolfendale

Violin – Josalyn Walker

Isaac Boburg
Olivia Boburg
Daryl Burdette
Adam El Shazli Jr.
Eisa Essex
Samantha Hettmansperger
Cairo Jabali-Nash
Jordyn Ledan
Nora Maceus
Lilia McDaniels
Noah Paradise
Avni Ranjan
Mira Raunikar
Angel Suarez
Jude Wordie

Violin – Ken Giles

Ryan Baek
Zoë Brown
Kennedy Butler
Kayla Cheek
Sophia Chen
Sumoila Gbadamosi
Anxin Guan
Emily Hawke
Cori Johnson
Klay Morgan
Asa Robin
Jennings Schommer Lindley
Zoe Scott
Ewan Smith
Atlas Yu

Lloyd - Your hard work, consistent effort, and determination are evident. We are so very proud of you, our budding violist! Keep up the great work and remember - practice makes progress. We love you!
Love Always, Mommy and Daddy

Dear Tessa, we are so proud of you for how far you've come with the flute this year. Even if it hasn't always been easy, you've stuck with it and practiced hard. We hope you will enjoy your new-found talent for many years to come.
Love, Mom & Dad

Our Dearest Morgan, As you take the stage for your 1st concert with the DCYOP, we are full of pride and joy. This year has been one of dedication and growth, and this event is a culmination of your hard work, so have fun! Love, Dad, Mom, and Lauryn

Congratulations, Milena! We are so proud of how you took on a new challenge to learn the flute and worked hard to become a wonderful musician. We love listening to you play. Love, Momma and Daddy

Zamir and Khaleel, you both are extraordinary and have worked really hard to get where you're at. Never stop striving to be the best you both can be and always know that mom and dad will always have your back. We love you both, Mom and Dad.

Congratulations, Morgan Smith! You have had an amazing year and we are so proud of you!! Keep up the great work.
Love, Uncle Gerald and Aunt Kim

Lincoln, Congratulations on successfully completing your inaugural year with DCYOP! Your love of music and curiosity to try new things continues to inspire me. Thank you Mr. Corey and DCYOP for making this a wonderful musical experience for Lincoln.
Love Always , Mom

Quinn, we are so proud of you and love to hear you play! Keep up the work of practicing so you can continue to grow. Great job sweet girl! Love, Mommy, Daddy, Sissy, Darryl and all the grandmas and grandpas.

CONGRATULATIONS MORGAN!!!

- Jean Hunter

Morgan, congratulations on having a great opportunity to play in the Orchestra Spring Concert. I am proud of you. I pray you have a great performance. Trust God, have faith and believe in yourself in whatever you choose. Love, Aunt Renate

Congratulations, Morgan, on having the opportunity to showcase your talent in the DCYOP. I pray you have an awesome performance. This will mark one of many milestones in your life. I am so proud of you! Love Aunt Dwylia

Congratulations Morgan on your first performance with DCYOP! We are proud of you and wish you continued success in the years to come.

The Parkers, Brian, Chandra & Bria

DC Youth Orchestra Program Spring Concert

Debut Orchestra, Concertino, and Sinfonia

Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 3:15 pm

University of the District of Columbia Theater of the Arts

Exhilaration	Cooper Ford
Sailor's Song	Mark Williams

Debut Orchestra

Rachel Pereira, Conductor

Gargoyles	Doug Spata
Adamant	Larry Clark
Overlords	Sean O'Loughlin
Crepuscule	Michael Hopkins

Concertino

Josalyn Walker, Conductor

Wood Splitter Fanfare	Brian Balmages
Abduction from the Seraglio	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart arr. Andy Masters

Sinfonia

Rachel Pereira, Conductor

Debut Orchestra

Rachel Pereira, Conductor

Violin 1

Rebekah Burk
Daniel Chen
Florence Doggett
Elizabeth El Shazli
Izzy Goldman
Anika Snyder
Eleanor Sobande
Levi Thornburg
Zoe Williams

Ruth Elias
Brendan Gormley
James Hittel
Anamika Kumar
Elise Lightner
Alexandra Plishker
Ines Stephens
Milo Yates
August Mitchell

Ethan Kim
Zachary Korman
Marco Ramos Robles
Iola Yeats

Cello

Richard Bradford
Ladon Westbrook

Violin 2

Camila Alberto
Isabel El Shazli

Viola

Ava Barlow
Bryce Brotsos
Ada Hulbert

Concertino

Josalyn Walker, Conductor

Violin 1

Leah Cao
Catherine Estrado
Coralie Fagonde
Zaina Hyacinthe
Xavier Jean-Laurent
Myranda Johnson-Bey
Savannah Kim
Ezekiel Shinkle
Blaye Sei
Michelle To
Mingwon Chung
Lillian Fruchtman
Bliss Lee
Jacob Moraczewski
Shujaa Simmons-Pugh
Haley Strickler
Max Thornburg

Violin 2

Veronica Arroyo
Inès Ashra
Atalanta Cash
Nathaniel Clauss
Arielle Cofer
Lincoln Ledan
Zara Lipton
Adeline Marx
Kai Myburgh
Maria Rivera
Rosa Rivera
Zoey Ruckel
Rithika Sikdar

Evan Lewis
Clara McDonough
Aviva Taransky
Janelle Witherspoon
Jareese Witherspoon

Cello

Simone Banks
Kantu Rafaela Callanaupa
Mia Hodge
Mina Lightner
Erin McNeil

Bass

Rainer Yeats

Viola

Kahmalah Bain
Nathan Elias

Sinfonia

Rachel Pereira, Conductor

Violin 1

Natalya Bryant

Maya Chatting

Emma Han

James Kolb

Anne Lee

Florence Lloyd

Serena Miner

Hope Robinson

Asher Thornburg

Ralph Young, III

Violin 2

Kai Bullock-Cohen

Amy Cho

Ashwin Cohen

Nina Jennings

Jacob Lawrence

Kira Lilly

Vanessa Mbella

Maxwell Scott

Amelie Stilwell

Owen Ward-O'Connor

Viola

Sara Alberto

Arianna Bilal-Threats

Cecilia Guzman

Nnamdi Hyacinthe

Mark Kallens

Louisa Kullmann

Cello

Kristian Carpenter

Julisa Ceron-Osorio

Hudson David

Jacob Lassman

Derin Olawunmi

Alexander Rampersaud

Rotimi Oladipupo

Julia Reed

Nora Taty

Ella Thompson

Owain Williams

Alexa - we are so proud of how hard you have worked this year and the progress you have made on the violin! Congratulations on a successful year with DCYOP, we can't wait to hear what you do next year.

Love, Mom, Dad, Callie, Bucko, and Grandma.

Congratulations on a great DCYOP year, Alexander! We love watching you perform!

Love, Mom, Dad and Amira



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DC Youth Orchestra Program Spring Concert
Premiere Winds, Young Artists Orchestra,
and Wind Ensemble

Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 5:30 pm

University of the District of Columbia Theater of the Arts

Union March Mekel Rogers

The Tempest Robert W. Smith

Mamma Mia Arr. Michael Story

Premiere Winds
Keith Kelsey, Conductor

Danse Estrange Kirt Mosier

Golliwogg's Cakewalk Claude Debussy
arr. Bud Caputo

Air & Dance M.L. Daniels

Young Artists Orchestra
Gerald Fowkes, Conductor

Acclaim Larry Clark

The Forge of Vulcan Michael Sweeney

Gabriel's Oboe Ennio Morricone
arr. Robert Longfield

Aggressivo Randall D. Standridge

Thunderbolt March Russell Holland

Wind Ensemble
Terrance Newman, Conductor

Premiere Winds

Keith Kelsey, Conductor

Flute

Eva Boese
Maya Olson-McCreedy
Saya Finlay
June Ownbey
Analise Hill
Evangeline Dickerson
Henry Johnson

Clarinet

Kay McIntyre

Jacqueline Taty

Saxophone

Aidan Horne

Bassoon

Mika Nizovtsev

French Horn

Joseph Reed

Trumpet

Samuel Boburg
Anouk Clarke
Jon Hogans, II
Owen Larson
Clara Maga

Percussion

Gary Williams

Young Artists Orchestra

Gerald Fowkes, Conductor

Violin 1

Olivia DiPalma
Oliver Hayward
Kenata Huang
Finley Ketabchi
Eden Moore
Kora Whitesides

Violin 2

Cameron Best
Lulit Gebre
Anne Glaven

Stella Ruf

Kathryn Wheaton

Viola

Amelia He
Isaiah McDaniel
Nadia Mondragon
Julien Nguyen

Cello

Alana Blount
Maziar Baltimore

Abigail Kasper

Aarohan Kumar
Madison McDaniel
Conrad McKay
Julianne Raunikar
Eva Ruf
Malcolm Smith

Bass

Adriano Lopez-Brown

Wind Ensemble

Terrance Newman, Conductor

Flute

Maude Rogers

Frances Ansell

Liliana Saunders

Lily Carpenter

Yacob England

Coleman Jessup

Liam Wallbaum

Bassoon

Isaac Bishins

Yeselyn Iraheta

Trombone

Eleanor Hulbert

Tao Simmons

Percussion

Benjamin Taransky

Jett Thurman

Sekai Wright

Oliver Yates

Oboe

Charlie Sellar

Trumpet

Mila Ownbey

Emmanuel Nuel-Ejiofor

Justin Leber

Clarinet

Lucy Brotsos

To Henry Johnson, Flutist Extraordinaire --

We are all so very proud of you! You have grown so much as a musician this year, and we can't wait to see what next year brings!

Love, Mom, Dad, & Riley

DC Youth Orchestra Program Spring Concert

Repertory Orchestra and Youth Philharmonic

Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 1:00 pm

University of the District of Columbia Theater of the Arts

Deep River

Traditional arr. Anthony O'Toole

Repertory Orchestra Brass Section

Kaitlyn Winters, Conductor

Finlandia

Jean Sibelius
arr. Owen Goldsmith

Zenith

Paul Barker

New World Symphony

1. Adagio - Allegro Molto

Antonín Dvořák
arr. Merle J. Isaac

Repertory Orchestra

Dr. Amylia Barnett, Conductor

Toccata

Attr. Giralomo Frescabaldi (1583-1643)
Arr. Hans Kindler

The Wand of Youth Suite

1. Overture

2. Serenade

3. Minuet

4. Sun Dance

5. Fairies and Giants

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Overture to Orpheus in
the Underworld

Jacques Offenbach (1819-1880)

Youth Philharmonic

Richard Scerbo, Principal Conductor

Repertory Orchestra
Amylia Barnett, Conductor

Violin I

Victoria Hightower
Roscoe Hines
Siddharth Kravetz
Naomi McRoy-Cole
Kahlel Mighty
Eliza Munks
Ethan Phaneuf
Madelyn Zeller

Violin II

Minseo Chung
Jay Giese
Benjamin Gilmore
David Hounshell
Grace Smith
Alexandria Sutherland
Alexandra Ward-O'Connor
Zeke Whitesides

Viola

Roy Castleberry Jr
Theodore Dickerson
Noah Fawcett
Alexandra Roston

Cello

Kaya Ashurst
Aisha Chheda
Esme Hsu
Amelia Jia
Lilia Kao
Ava Lee
Adam Mittelstaedt
Olivia Pinkston

Bass

Matilda Bliss

Flute

Irene Adesugba
Helen Albert
Anyia Lilly

Oboe

Satya Chowdri
Charlotte Stuart
Leyao Wang

Clarinet

Dajae Perrier
Violet Wiedman

Bassoon

Luca Apaloo-Walla
Jack Uhrich

French Horn

Frank Ownbey

Trumpet

Nicholas George Caparell
Akira Finlay
Calvin Kenon
Lane Shinkle
Claire Wong

Trombone

Simao Amaya
Issac Lei
Jake Schneider

Tuba

Eililyah Avendano
Benjamin Bayes
Alex Ross

Percussion

Matthew Stewart

Youth Philharmonic
Richard Scerbo, Conductor

Violin 1

Ani Veeraraghavan
Nina Lee-Turner
Vivian Rowe
Clark Yu
Eric Cho
Marisol Turpin-Valdés
Yina Zhou
Lorelei Hillier
Amelia Giles
Simone Hanibal
Peter Hoover
Jack Troutman-Ritchey
Olivia Cakaj
Rihanna Arouna
Casey Pendergast

Violin 2

Adam Benbarka
Ailah Chan
Niara Grant
Cameron Holden
Oliver Bilinski
Aayush Banerjee
Kihika Hyera
Eliana Dolven-Miller
Autumn-Sky Leroy
Esmé Clarke
Faith Bailey Clark
Reginald Cotton
Cecilia Chang
Arhunmwun Obamogie
Maria Mirza

Viola

Alexis Zwerdling

Maeve McMurray
Frederick Atienza III
Philip Weeks
Zora Lipschultz

Cello

Thomas Smith
Jeremiah Yeh
Zadie Williams
Aileen Chan
Willem Hecht
Charlotte Moore
Tara Gottesman
Sienna Kullman
Emmanuela Smith
Philippa Bender
Alexis Taylor
Max Koprivica
Peter Bruch

Bass

Mariana Truslow

Flute

Helena Oscherwitz
Ndeji Omekongo
Caleb Yang
Kenneth Yao
James Yin

Oboe

Maria Emilia Machado
Jack Thurman
Ollie Reist

Clarinet

Pippa Byron
Hope Connor
Landen Gay
Miriam Hakim
Coleman Jet Watling

Bassoon

Henry Shin

French Horn

Luke Adeboyejo
Dylan Jacobson

Trumpet

Daniel Cho
Zachariah Dawson
Cyril-Patrick Enyi
Cameron Jones
Kyle Lee

Percussion

Drew Reynolds

Harp

Willa Cook

Jack, we are so very proud of you!!
We look forward to many more years of
hearing you play.

We love you, Grandma and Grandpa Jasmin

Congratulations on an amazing season,
David! We are so proud of you and love
you very much. Here's to more music-
making at Interlochen this summer!

Love, Mom, Astrid & Domino

Congratulations to Life Scout Roy Castleberry,
Jr. for a triumphant concert at DCYOP! Your
fellow scouts at BSA Troop 544, based at
Peoples Congregational Church in Washington
D.C. are proud of your accomplishments and
send their warmest regards.

Niara, your parents and sisters are so proud
of the hard work you've put into honing your
craft and following your calling. Know that
wherever you go, whatever you do, the
struggles and victories you may share - we
are always there with you. <3 You

To Faith Bailey Clark, Member of Youth Philharmonic From Your Family: We love you and are very proud of your progress over the years as a young musician, a striving athlete, and an outstanding scholar! You are our "faith" in the flesh!

Zora, congratulations on another phenomenal concert! You've proven that with perseverance, anything is possible. We are proud of you and we love you to the moon and back! Mom, Dad, and Ida

To our dearest Emma,
Your persevering spirit is one of the things we admire most in you. It has been such a delight observing your personal growth this year. With your sweet humility and work ethic, we know you will continue to succeed. Mom and Dad

To Thomas: It has been a joy watching you grow into a talented musician and incredible young man. Encourage and bless others through your humble leadership and example. We are certain you will continue to soar. Mom and Dad

DC Youth Orchestra Program Spring Concert

Youth Orchestra and Young Virtuosi

Evan Ross Solomon, Artistic Director & Conductor

Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 5:15pm

University of the District of Columbia Theater of the Arts

Marche ecossaise sur un
thème Populaire

Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Youth Orchestra

Symphony no. 2 in D Major

Joseph Bologne, Chevalier
de St. George (1744-1799)

1. Allegro Presto
2. Andante
3. Presto

Five Courtly Dances
from "Glorian"

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

1. March
2. Coranto
3. Pavane
4. Morris Dance
5. Lavolta

Young Virtuosi

Symphony no. 7 in C# Minor op. 131

Sergei Prokofiev
(1891-1953)

1. Moderato
2. Allegretto
3. Andante espressivo
4. Vivace

Youth Orchestra

Youth Orchestra

Evan Ross Solomon, Conductor

Violin 1

Chloe Lee, Leader
Pedro Goutay
Eddy Hoover
Cat Shin
Veronica Anzola
Alexa Lee
Lucy Byron
Maya Gibel
Alejandra Anzola
Sasha Kolb
Jacob Gagosian
Mika Inoue
Alessandro Alfandari
Neha Kumar
Helen DeSimone

Violin 2

Elias Kurtz Papadopoulos
Chloe Robertson
Vivian Ooi
Elan Weber
Kit Brown
Julian Givens
Payton Everett
Santiago Funes
Penelope Sutton
Anna Lizondo
Maya Doan
Aurelia Smith
Daniel Swedberg
Hannah Montoya-Schons
Emma van Selm

Viola

Amelia Hanbury
Kimi Harris
Evan Crone
Rosemary Sellers
Annalyn Chao
Chris Langston
Jillian Carpenter
Sarah Tumblin
Scarlette Garnier
Mia Levings
Yasmeen Mukhtar

Cello

Lucas Das
Julio Cupe
Matthew Chambers
Ishaan Banerjee
Kenji Yokote
Edgar Solomon
Charlie Wahl
Ian Croker
Logan Hartenstine
Katherine Ruiz
Avril Graffe Droboniku
Chloe Vasquez
Percy Kyd Bruneau
Cheyenne Osley

Bass

Jonathan Stiff
Jacques Sangwa

Flute

Grace Kathryn
Christerson
Nicholas David-Fox
Murilo dos Santos
Eileen Zhang

Oboe

Freja Jemby
Kalman Levitin
Grayson Mickel

Clarinet

Sasha Bryer-
Gottesman
Jerry Du
Sophia Moraczewski
Dena Zakim

Bassoon

Alden Lin
Oscar Jose Machado
Na'Vaughn Martin

French Horn

Austin Adaranijo
Jodie Kaberia
Evan Klepper
Samuel Pikofsky-
Christiansen
Sky Yuzuki

Trumpet

Abraham Elizaldi-
Hernandez
Caroline Keefe
Joshua Lee
Gabriel Mallek
Kai Yuzuki

Trombone

Steven Bectel

De Angelo Palucho
Benjamin Szekely

Tuba

Paul Joire

Percussion

Diallo Chigbue
Ricardo Cruz
Rishab Jain

Drew Reynolds
Collyn Wilcher

Harp

Naia Albert

Piano

Vivian Ooi

Young Virtuosi

Evan Ross Solomon, Conductor

Violin 1

Chloe Lee
Cat Shin
Mika Inoue
Vivian Rowe
Neha Kumar
Penelope Sutton
Alejandra Anzola
Sasha Kolb

Violin 2

Veronica Anzola
Jacques Sangwa
Kit Brown
Santiago Funes
Niara Grant
Eric Cho
Amelia Giles

Viola

Amelia Hanbury
Kimi Harris
Annalyn Chao
Chris Langston

Maeve McMurray

Cello

Charlie Wahl
Avril Graffe Droboniku
Katherine Ruiz
Philippa Bender

Bass

Matthew Chambers
Mariana Truslow

Flute

Murilo dos Santos
Ndeji Omekongo

Oboe

Kalman Levitin
Maria Emilia Machado

Clarinet

Sophia Moraczewski
Dena Zakim

Bassoon

Alden Lin
Oscar Machado

French Horn

Jodie Kaberia
Evan Klepper
Dylan Jacobson

Trumpet

Cyril Patrick Enyi
Gabe Mallek

Trombone

Steven Bectel

Percussion

Ricardo Cruz
Drew Reynolds

Congratulations, Sasha, for another wonderful year with DCYO! Your playing never ceases to amaze us! And thank you to the maestros and the staff at DCYOP for creating such a vibrant and enriching program.

Love, Evan Gottesman and Sarah Bryer

Ben,

It has been a pleasure to watch you grow into a mature, serious musician this year. We hope this year was the first of many musical adventures for you!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Nate

CONGRATULATIONS EDDY! Your DCYOP journey is coming to a close, but the Columbia U. Orchestra awaits! We can't wait to enjoy more beautiful performances as you continue to grow as a musician. With love from all the family :)

To Mr. Evan Ross Solomon, Mr. Scerbo, Ms. Loretta Thompson and the entire DCYOP staff: Thank you for all of your investment and tireless effort in your students. Our family is incredibly grateful for you and this program. The Smith Family

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Susan Agazzi	Yuanju Liu	Heidi Remick
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Syneva Colle	Kevin McKee	Ruth Swope
Erika Cuffy	Adie Muller	Samuel Thompson
Gerald Fowkes	Terrance Newman	Lauren Twombly
Ken Giles	Brookes Pennell	Ian van Nuys
Corey Hewitt	Rachel Pereira	Josalyn Walker
Keith Kelsey	Tim Provost	Kenneth Whitley
Brandon Lewis	Denna Purdie	Kaitlyn Winters
Jeanette Lewis	Lauren Riley	

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**Hello Morgan,
Cousin Rita is so proud of you!
Keep up the good work! I love you!**

Lane & Zeke, We love you so. We are so proud of you for all you do and for being you. Keep making beautiful music.

Love, Mom & Dad

Congratulations, Ani! What a year! So many firsts and big achievements: Acting in Newsies, singing in KY, playing soccer, entering WMPI, placing in music contests, performing with DCYOP, and winding down 8th grade. Great job! We love you so much!

PERCY KYD BRUNEAU!!!! The Force is strong with you. We are all so proud of your hard work! Love, Mom and Dad, Mada and Foo-foo, Muzzy and Poppi, Grandpa and Vicki, your aunts, uncles, cousins, and all of your friends! THANKS DCYOP!!!

About the DC Youth Orchestra Program

Our Mission

To empower young people to transform their lives through music and community.

We Believe

- All young people should have access to the transformative power of music education.
- Excellence is fostered through diversity, inclusion, and community.
- Students are supported in their personal journeys by meeting them where they are.
- Youth orchestras can model change and shape the future of the orchestral music world.

Our History

Founded in 1960, DCYOP is an integral part of the Washington, DC, community, fostering the musical, academic, and social development of more than 60,000 youth. Our mission is to empower young people to transform their lives through music and community.

DCYOP is the District's only preK-12 program that makes high quality, ensemble-based music education available to all students, regardless of background, socioeconomic status, or skill level. We believe that every child should have access to the transformative power of music education. Through our comprehensive curriculum of instrumental instruction and performance opportunities, students enter a path to becoming professional musicians or musician-citizens.

We believe that excellence is fostered through diversity, inclusion, and community, and DCYOP serves as a model for community, uniting students from different backgrounds and experiences. We have one of the most racially diverse youth orchestras in the country and are committed to playing a leadership role in correcting the under-representation of Black, Brown and other historically excluded musicians and composers in classical music.

The first youth orchestra to perform at the Kennedy Center, DCYOP has toured 23 countries, played for U.S. presidents and diplomats, and worked with world-renowned musicians including Aaron Copland, Lorin

Maazel, Mstislav Rostropovich, Gustavo Dudamel, and Yo-Yo Ma. Our organization has received the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award and the District of Columbia Mayor's Award for Outstanding Contributions to Arts Education. Since 2008, Spur Local (formerly the Catalogue for Philanthropy) has recognized DCYOP as "one of the best small nonprofits in the Greater Washington region."

Each year, 100 percent of our 12th graders complete high school and 90 percent continue on to college. Our graduates enjoy successful careers across many disciplines. Our alumni are professional musicians in the National Symphony Orchestra and other orchestras, Grammy and Emmy Award winners, New York Times best-selling authors, CEOs, cancer surgeons, Broadway stars, "Saturday Night Live" cast members, and civic leaders, including DC Mayor Muriel Bowser. Many alumni point to DCYOP as a significant factor in their development.

Today's Programs

DCYOP offers group lessons and ensemble training on all orchestral instruments for students ages 4 ½ to 18. More than 500 students participate in group classes, ensemble rehearsals, and performances each semester through DCYOP's main-site programming at Takoma Elementary School as well as DCYOP's school partnerships. All concerts are free and open to the public.

Who We Serve

With strong financial and public school access barriers, DCYOP is the only preK-12 program that seeks to make high quality ensemble music education available to all students, regardless of background, socioeconomic status, or ability. Our students currently represent more than 200 public, public charter, and private schools as well as a variety of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.

DCYOP Thanks Its Generous Donors

DC Youth Orchestra Program is deeply grateful for the support of our generous donors. Your gift ensures that our program continues to be available and affordable for all families in the DC metropolitan area, supporting Saturday rehearsals, tuition-free afterschool programming, and performance opportunities across the District.

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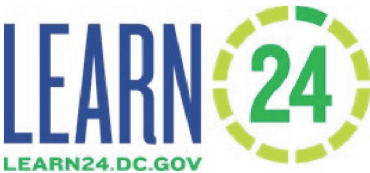
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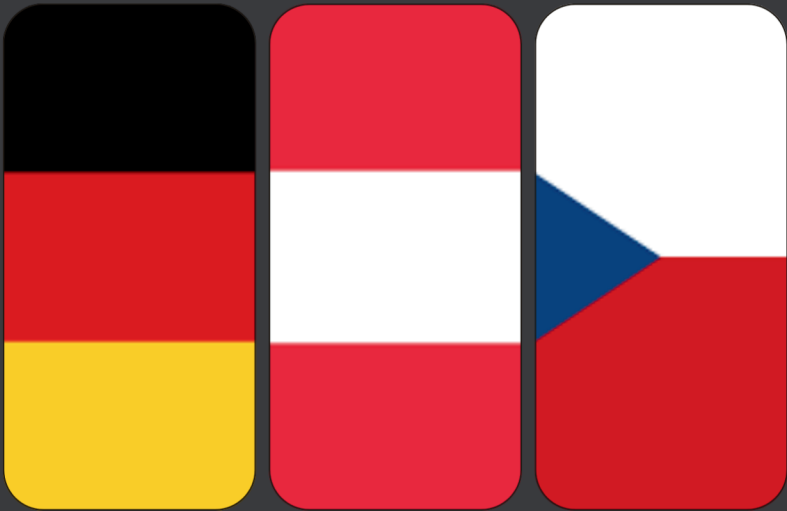


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