

St. Charles County Youth Orchestra

Spring Concert April 6th 2024

Grace Baptist Church Worship Center

Up Coming Events

Summer Concert May 18th 2:00pm Grace Baptist Church Worship Center

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Marilyn Humitson Adrianna Mittler Linda Rekas Katherine Sanders

Ensemble Coordinators

Primo Lisa Cox

Cadenza Nicholle Douglas Rachel Strutman

Symphony Sunghee Hinners Pete Meisinger



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Our Conductors

Maestro Wm. Shane Williams is a charismatic and versatile conductor, versed in wide gamut of musical styles, carrying a vision to *Making Music Come Alive for All*!

Maestro Williams serves on the music faculty at Missouri Baptist University as the Director of Instrumental Ensembles. In addition, Mr. Williams is celebrating his 9th season as Music Director/Conductor of the Alton Symphony while concurrently holding the post of Music Director/Conductor for the St. Charles County Youth Orchestra - Symphony. Under his leadership, this ensemble has been selected to perform at the MMEA convention in 2016, 2019, and 2022.

In February 2023, Mr. Williams was invited to guest conduct for the E. Desmond Lee Fine Arts High School Festival at the Touhill Performing Arts Center. This summer he is excited to be joining the faculty of the Credo Music Festival – St. Louis.

His previous conducting posts include the Alton Summer Chamber Series, the Young People's Concert Orchestra, the Sangamon Valley Youth Symphony, Pops Conductor of the Alton Symphony and Resident Conductor of the Award-winning St. Louis Brass Band.

Shane is a regular guest conductor, performer, clinician, and adjudicator throughout the region. As a music educator, he has taught public, private, and homeschool.

His skills and gifting have allowed him conducting opportunities in the United states and abroad: the Zapadocesky Symphony Orchestra of the Czech Republic, the St. Louis Philharmonic, the Illinois Symphony, the Compton Heights Band, the University City Orchestra, and the Gateway Chamber Orchestra, and more.

As a professional musician, Mr. Williams has performed with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra (noted performances at Carnegie Hall), Opera Theater St. Louis, the Illinois Symphony, the Nashville Symphony, Compton Heights Band, Winter Opera St. Louis, the Joffrey Ballet, Ice Capades, Moody Blues, the Elvis Show, the Three Irish Tenors, Opryland USA, Burt Bacharach, Roger Williams, Dionne Warwick, Tommy Tune, Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith and many others.

Maestro Williams holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education from Austin Peay State University, a Master of Percussion Performance from the St. Louis Conservatory of Music and a Master of Music degree in Conducting from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He has completed doctoral studies at Lindenwood University.

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Daniel Mieloch was born in Philadelphia and began Suzuki violin lessons by the age of two. He earned undergraduate degrees in Violin Performance and Music Education from Lebanon Valley College (Pennsylvania) before moving to Edwardsville, IL, to study orchestral conducting with Dr. Michael Mishra on his way to obtaining his Masters in Orchestral Conducting from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Mr. Mieloch also had the distinct privilege of studying with Maestro Otto Werner-Mueller and conducting the Filharmonie Bohuslav Martinu in Zlin, Czech Republic, during an intensive workshop focusing on the works of Igor Stravinsky and Richard Strauss.

Mr. Mieloch has been honored to work with the Webster Community Music School as conductor for the fifth St. Looey Chamber Blitz and first Concerto Competition Festival, and as a guest coach for chamber music ensembles. In addition to his orchestra experiences, he has collaborated as orchestra director with DanceSTL for their revival of the ballet <u>Heyoka</u> at the Touhill.

Returning to his alma mater and Suzuki roots, he has held the director post of the Edwardsville Youth Orchestra in conjunction with the SIUE Suzuki program for ten years. He lives in O'Fallon and teaches the orchestras at Fort Zumwalt West High School, where his orchestras consistently earn top ratings at state competitions and have performed in New York City, Nashville, New Orleans, Chicago, Kansas City, and Branson. In his spare time, he enjoys composing (both in the classical and pop genres) and traveling home to PA to visit family and any other fun, adventurous locations.





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Symphony Orchestra Wm. Shane Williams, Conductor

<u>Violin I</u>

Aidan Zhang** Delaney Jurgensmeyer^ Ian Chung Sophia O'Shea Emily Roberts Isabelle Kahrs Kelsey Ranum

<u>Violin II</u>

- Alaina Wright* Juliette Bunselmeyer* Claire Mangiapanello Caeli Keppel Yumi Jiang Hayden Shaw
- ** Concert Master
- * Principal
- ^ Assistant

Congratulations!

SCCYO Symphony Orchestra for being chosen to perform at the Missouri Music Educators Association 2016, 2019 & 2022 Conference

and all students who auditioned to perform in a State, District, All Suburban solo and ensemble, All State, Honors Band, and Orchestra.

<u>Viola</u> Nicholas Meisinger*

Theodore Branch[^] Anooj Shah

<u>Cello</u>

Isabella Classen* Eileen Hinners^ Marcus Fitch Robert Flick Ava Steele Cooper Gorham Kavin De Alwis

<u>Bass</u> Chase Kluesner*

French Horn

Flute

Caitlin Wallace *

Claire Eltoft

Anna Bentley

Macey Hood*

John Dittmar*

Peyton Jones

Juliette Wood

Bassoon

Joy Myung

Oboe

Clarinet

Payton Grotewiel* Evin Gamage Isaac Myung

Matthew Hogan*

<u>Trumpet</u>

Hayden Shaw

Trombone Elijah Spurbeck

Percussion TBA

Our Conductors

Kyla Walton is in her 7th year of conducting the Primo Strings group for SCCYO. She is in her 22nd year of teaching in the Hazelwood School District, the last 17 of which she has been teaching Orchestra at Hazelwood West Middle School. She also assists with the elementary orchestra classes at her feeder schools on the west side of the district.

A violinist since the age of 6 with a unique passion for reaching all students in her instruction, she holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE). While there, she studied violin with Dr. Lenora Marya-Anop and played viola in chamber ensembles at the university. She also completed training in the Suzuki Method for violin with Vera McCoy-Sulentic as part of her undergraduate coursework. Since then, she has broadened her string specialist training by attending workshops at The Ohio State University to study Dr. Robert Gillespie's Essential Elements for Strings approach and, in recent years, has been learning to incorporate the Bornoff Approach to teaching strings to broaden my students' knowledge with Debbie Lyle and the Foundation for the Advancement of String Education.

In addition to her duties for SCCYO, she runs violin sectionals for the Alton Youth Symphony and has also previously guest conducted the Metro 8 honors orchestra and the E.Desmond Lee Middle School festival orchestra.

Mrs. Walton was married in June 2023 to her husband, Jared, and they live in Florissant, MO. When she's not conducting an orchestra or teaching strings, she enjoys making things with her Cricut, reading, spending time with Jared and their families, playing Legend of Zelda, and traveling the world.

Program

Primo Strings

Kyla Herbert, conductor

March of the Meistersingers

Richard Wagner arr. Sandra Dackow

Quintus

Larry Clark

Overlords.

Sean O'Loughlln

10 Minute Intermission

Program Cadenza Orchestra, Daniel Mieloch, Conductor

Anvil Chorus

The Blue Danube

William Tell Overture

Cadenza Orchestra Daniel Mieloch, Conductor

<u>Violin I</u>

Aardhra Variath** Madison Townsend^ Cailin Shields Anax Ames Ajla Topcagic Kathleen Baue Jacquelyn Roberts Bella Kavanaugh Miriam Truong Ishana De Alwis

<u>Violin II</u>

Elle Heavner* Elinor Verdine^ Cecilia Kutchback Rishik Mohanty Abigail Bunselmeyer Aiden Douglas Brooke Ranum Emma Capistrant Lydia Artz Lauren Kalinowski Grace McMillin Viola Chloe Steele* Jack Lenzner^ Maximus Chung August Luecke Lia Vorst Samuel Bethel Avril Johnson Alyssa Walling

<u>Cello</u>

Griffin Ray* John Hinners^ Celina Kim Iris Baydu Hannah Moon Owen Urban Thomas Chung Ewan Ruehr Ethan Jiang Claire Lawrence Lucas Schmidt

<u>Bass</u>

Jacob Brennaman*

<u>Flute</u>

Rylan Trotter*

<u>Oboe</u> Elizabeth Babcock*

<u>Clarinet</u>

Elijah Gibson* Jackson Fine

Bassoon Ayden Call Rolon*

Trumpet Adam Bardot*

<u>Tuba</u> Isaac Bass*

<u>Percussion</u> Cameron Fitch*

- ** Concert Master
- * Principal
- Assistant

Giuseppe Verdi arr. Sandra Dackow Johann Strauss Jr.

arr. Richard Meyer

Gioachino Rossini arr. Jerry Lehmeier



10 Minute Intermission

Primo Strings Kyla Walton, Conductor

Violin 1 Natalie Decker* Silas Bunselmeyer Ezekiel Cino Franklin Dong Sophia Stark Skylar Cox Emma Radginski

* Section Leader

<u>Violin 2</u> Grace Scott* Eva Altheimer Thomas Gannon Ian Simeon Daniel Chartrand Max Amonson

<u>Viola</u> Alyssa Walling*

<u>Cello</u> Emmaline Oaks* Carly Radginski **Bass**

Isaac Bass*

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National Anthem

Francis Scott Key

Cello Concerto No1. in C major, Hob. VIIb:1 Joseph Haydn I. Moderato (1732-1809)

> Eileen Hinners, Cello Junior Division Concerto Winner

Fantasia for Flute

Georges Hüe (1858-1948)

Claire Eltoft, Flute Senior Division Concerto Winner

Presentation of Awards

Hungarian Dance No. 5

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)



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2024 SCCYO Mike Russo Concerto Competition Senior Division Winner Claire Eltoft



<u>**Claire Eltoft**</u> is a freshman at Lafayette High School, and this is her second year as a flutist in the Saint Charles County Youth Orchestra. In middle school, Claire was named first chair flute of the SLSMEA All-Suburban Concert Band and in high school has placed in All-Suburban again and as 2nd honorable mention in the All-State Concert Band. She participated in last year's Mike Russo Concerto Competition and placed second in the junior division. Most recently, she received an Exemplary rating at district Solo and Ensemble and is incredibly excited to perform at the state festival.

Claire would like to thank her former and current band directors Mr. Menner, Mr. Reader, and Mr. Balog; her wonderful private instructor Jalene Huang; and her family for supporting her throughout her musical journey.

2024 SCCYO Mike Russo Concerto Competition Junior Division Winner Eileen Hinners



Eileen Hinners is a musician who is passionate about playing the cello. She has been playing for nine years and has had the opportunity to study with respected professionals such as Stephanie Hunt and David Kim. Eileen has participated in a variety of ensembles, including the Saint Charles County Youth Orchestra, Young People's Symphonic Orchestra, All-Suburban, Parkway Baptist Church Orchestra, and her school ensemble.

Eileen is always eager to learn and improve. She plans on continuing her musical education throughout high school and beyond, with the hope of one day sharing her love of music with others.