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Quick Reminders!

~ Membership Luncheon: Sept 14th, 11:30am, at ACC, 601 Laguna Blvd SW

~ NM Philharmonic's Youth Concerts at Popejoy, Sept 19-21, Popejoy Hall – Volunteers Needed!



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Interested In Leadership Positions?

Last year's Nominating Committee put together a great slate of officers for the 2023-24 year, but we were unable to find a volunteer for president-elect. Please consider whether this is a job that you might be interested and if so, contact **Liz Titus** at zeh-t@hotmail.com.

Thank you!

New Committee - Past Presidents!

The **Past President Committee** composed of Julie Silverman and Ginger Grossetete will host a luncheon honoring the past presidents of our organization on October 19, 2023. The attendees will be treated to a seafood gumbo and salad buffet at Ginger's home. Dusty Blech will entertain with a saxophone mini-concert followed by a discussion of various ways the group can support the future activities of the Music Guild.



2023 Señoritas and Parents Ice Cream Social

The Presidents

Fall is here and that means balloons in the mornings and the Music Guild is back in action with lots on the slate! Listed below are some of the activities detailed in this issue:

- 🎵 By the time you read this, our first **Membership Luncheon** at ABQ Country Club and a wonderful speaker - the Director of the Joseph McKenzie library in Bernalillo - will be history.
- 🎵 The **Young People Concerts** sponsored by the NM Phil will be held on September 19th and 21st and we're looking for volunteers for the 21st. Karla Bressan's article inside will have more info.
- 🎵 The **Señorita Program** is beginning activities with the girls, and we could use a few more qualified Girls for the Program. See our Señorita Chair's article about our functions this fall.
- 🎵 The **Past Presidents** will be having an event this fall and are excited to be gathering again in October.
- 🎵 The **Ball Committee** is coming together, with the ball date set for **May 11, 2024**.
- 🎵 The **Membership Committee** is planning luncheons and if you know anyone who would like to be a part of our membership, please contact our chairs.
- 🎵 The **Nominating Committee** for next year will be forming soon. If you would like to be on that committee or serve on next year's **Guild Board**, please contact Liz Titus. We would love to put your expertise and skills to use!
- 🎵 Our crackerjack **Communications Team**, Craig Kendall and Forrest Courtney, would love to hear from you if you have news to spread.
- 🎵 Gwinn Hall is leading the **Grant Committee** and is contacting non-profit music groups so that we can provide funds for local and deserving groups.
- 🎵 Karla Bressan and Paula Bradley are recruiting contestants for the **Jackie McGehee Young Artists Competition** which will be held Feb 9-10, 2024. See more inside.
- 🎵 Good news for **Peter and the Wolf** fans. We have been asked to perform our award-winning program in the **Bernalillo** and **Corrales Libraries!** Hoping this leads to bigger events! **And much, much more to come...**

This is **YOUR Guild** and we want to be a vital, interesting group, but we do need your help! Participation is the key! Now enjoy our glorious fall weather and all that brings in Albuquerque this lovely season.

~Carol Cooper-Skopil & Teresa Edens

Grant Committee Prep

Gwinn Hall

We have been busy getting ready for the 2024 grant award season. We have updated the application form this year to allow electronic applications with hopes that this will be easier and facilitate additional organizations to apply. By the end of September, organizations will be able to download the application directly from our Music Guild website. The deadline for applications this year is Wednesday, January 31, 2024, with the awards being evaluated by the committee in February, and the recipients notified and announced by April 30, 2024. The grants will be awarded in person at the May membership luncheon. Please spread the word of our efforts and help get grants to as many organizations as we can!

Membership is off to a great start!

Susan, Dana, and Kat

We've had a wonderful response from our members in regards to renewing their membership and we are still accepting returning and new members. Please think of someone who you believe would be an asset to our organization and go out on a limb and invite them to one of our luncheons. Most people are flattered to be invited to something fun; JMYAC is also something inspiring and fun to be invited to attend performances, as well as some of our grant recipient performances. Think of someone new to Albuquerque or someone who has recently become an empty nester. New members bring ideas and new life to our already incredible group. Let's spread the wealth which is our Music Guild membership and also make us a stronger organization. Our push this year in membership is to grow. We can only do this with a positive attitude. We have four luncheons planned and are talking about a membership event which would just be time to enjoy one another. We welcome your ideas!

Reminder...

Please forward any pictures, articles, and relevant news of activities to Forrest Courtney or Craig Kendall for inclusion in MGNM Communications. Thank you!

Popejoy Youth Concert – Call for Volunteers!

Karla Bressan

It's that time of year again! Thousands of fifth-grade school children will be taking over Popejoy Hall on the UNM campus for **New Mexico Philharmonic performances** and Music Guild volunteers have a long history of providing escorts for the APS students as they debark from their buses across the plaza into the concert hall. Volunteers will be stationed along the walking route from Johnson Field, where the students are dropped off, to the front doors of Popejoy Hall. Ushers will direct them from there to their assigned seats. Details include:

- ♪ Concerts for fifth-graders will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and Thursday, September 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
- ♪ The parking garage just east of Popejoy Hall is the most convenient parking, but it uses pay stations which accept credit cards only.
- ♪ Plan to be in the Popejoy Hall Donor's Lounge by 8:45.

Here's what to expect:

- ♪ There will be a rush of excited children.
- ♪ Two 45-minute performances both days at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
- ♪ The buses begin to arrive about 9:00 a.m. for the 10:00 a.m. concert.
- ♪ Once the students are seated, the volunteers can relax and enjoy the concert.
- ♪ After the concert, the students are released by their schools.
- ♪ As the morning buses pull away, the 12:00 noon buses begin to arrive.
- ♪ Volunteers can leave after the second wave of students have been seated.
- ♪ Wear comfortable shoes, sunscreen and a hat.

This is an excellent volunteer opportunity to renew acquaintances, as well as make new friends, AND attend a free concert...music is our future.

Let me know which day or days you would like to volunteer.

Questions? Contact Karla at bressanabq@comcast.net **Thank You!**



New Mexico Philharmonic

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone™ in Concert

9/15 & 16, 7:30pm, 9/16, 2:00pm
Popejoy Hall, Cornell Drive, NE

Something Old, Something New, Vivaldi Christmas Concerto

9/22, 10:45am, St John's United Methodist Church, 2626 Arizona St NE

Celebrating Rachmaninoff - Piano Concerto No. 2 & Symphony No. 1

10/16, 5:00pm, Popejoy Hall, 203 Cornell Drive, NE

Power Concert: The Piano, Percussion & Rachmaninoff

10/1, 3:00pm, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 114 Carlisle SE

Mozart Festival: Operamania

10/21, 6:00pm, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 114 Carlisle SE

Mozart Festival: Jupiter & Beyond

10/22, 6:00pm, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 114 Carlisle SE

A Taste of Italy

11/5, 3:00pm, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 114 Carlisle SE

Symphonic Fantastique

11/18, 6:00pm, Popejoy Hall, 203 Cornell Drive, NE

Part Bach, Part Pärt

12/15, 2023, 10:45pm, South Broadway Cultural Center: John Lewis Theatre, 1025 Broadway Blvd. SE



JMYAC Updates:

New Mexico Music Guild Jackie McGehee Young Artists' Competition for Piano and Strings is pleased to announce that

Akilan Sankaran, JMYAC 2021 first-place piano winner, will perform with the **NM**



Akilan Sankaran, JMYAC 2021 First Place Winner, Piano

Philharmonic at the **Mozart Festival: Jupiter & Beyond, Sunday, October 22, 2023, at 6 p.m.** with Roberto Minczuk as Music Director at **Immanuel Presbyterian Church**, 114 Carlisle Blvd SE.

Akilan and **Kayden Kelly**, 2020 JMYAC piano second-place winner, were the only two pianists from New Mexico to be selected as Cliburn Junior Festival Artists, in fact, they were the only pianists selected from the United States!

Sam Barrett, 2017 first-place winner in strings (cello), was a guest performer at the Jackie McGehee Young Artists' Competition Recital Series, sponsored by the Martha Liebert Public Library in Bernalillo. **Joseph McKenzie**, Library Director, was the guest speaker at the membership luncheon on September 14, 2023.

Gabriel Ingliss, first-place winner in strings (violin) and his brother, **Rafael Ingliss**, first-place winner in piano performed beautifully at the recent donor musicale. Special thanks to **Susan Rogers and Kathleen Metzger** for graciously hosting the event.

Donations to underwrite the Competition are now being accepted on-line at musicguildofnewmexico.org - click on donate - or mail your check to Music Guild of New Mexico, P.O. Box 3458, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3458.

Señorita Program

Christy Herbert

The Señorita season is in full swing, with two events already behind us this year. The traditional Ice Cream Social was hosted at the home of Teresa Edens and her beautiful backyard garden where we enjoyed meeting a wonderful group of ladies and their moms. Four of last year's Señoritas dropped in to talk with the girls and brought their ball gowns along to show the new Señoritas. It was a lovely gathering and they stayed to participate in games with this year's class. Tin Can Alley



provided the site for our well-attended next family event as parents mingled and all enjoyed food, drinks, and conversation during the beautiful Albuquerque weather. The Señoritas grouped together as they developed familiarity and camaraderie among their class, but we are still searching for interested young ladies from various schools. Upcoming events include a Car Care and Finance 101 Class on October 15th and a Daddy/Daughter Costume Contest Bowling event on October 29th and each family is anxious to see who will win! November's schedule for the Señoritas is packed, with a Community Service Project on November 18th, helping Blue Star Mothers with their holiday packages for the military, and the Etiquette Luncheon will be hosted by Mrs. Susan Rogers and Mrs. Pamela Reardon at Albuquerque Country Club. We are always looking for more amazing young ladies to join our program, so please be on the lookout to increase the Music Guild's younger ranks. Reach out to Christy Herbert, VP of Señoritas at 505-449-7613 hcherbert@comcast.net or Karen Barkoff, Future Señorita Chair, at karenbarkoff@gmail.com if you have any questions. Join us for more fun activities instore for this fall!

Obituaries

The Music Guild offers our deepest condolences to the families of members and relatives who have passed recently:

Dixie Burch

President 1973-74

Bob Lyle

Husband of Yvette Lyle, President 2011-12

Pat Hart

Longtime member

Lois Seibel

President 1987-88

Edward Barkocy

Husband of Joyce Barkocy, longtime Guild member

Judy Harris

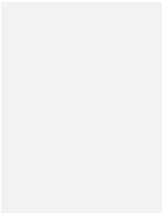
Longtime Guild member and former NMSO employee

Wanda Jo Peltier Stapleton

Mother of Suzanne Jacobi, President 2016-17



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