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BYSO Newsletter



March 26, 2020

Upcoming Events

Virtual Growing Musicians Garden Party April 6 - May 9.

Check in via www.byso.org,
or through Facebook or
Instagram

Rehearsals

Rehearsals cancelled until
further notice.

Stay Home, Stay Healthy

This is a challenging time for everyone, with lots of uncertainty and change affecting us all. Our highest priority is the safety of our students, our staff, and our larger community. All our staff is working from home at this time.

We need to stay apart, but in communication. Please keep checking your conductor's page and our Facebook and Instagram pages. Our conductors hope to be posting weekly with music to listen to, practice ideas, and who knows - jokes?

Keep up your private lessons online through Skype or Zoom or whatever method works for you and your teacher. And keep practicing!

Fundraiser Going Virtual

Our awesome 5th annual fundraiser, the **Growing Musicians Garden Party**, is going virtual!

This year, our fundraiser will feature online performances by our brilliant staff and student musicians. Starting Monday, April 6, 2020 through Saturday, May 9, 2020, video performances will be posted on our social media and website each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. As an attendee of BYSO's Virtual Garden Party, you can enjoy these inspiring performances from the comfort of your home.

30% of BYSO's support comes through contributions, and this Spring event is a critical part of our annual fundraising, so please [donate!](#)

March Concert Tickets

Thanks to all of you who have already generously donated their March ticket costs! If you haven't contacted us yet, please use [this form](#) to let us know what to do with your ticket purchase.

Flute Recording Project

All flutes in Flute Choir, Flute Orchestra, Sinfonia, Philharmonia, and Youth can join in a recording project for our virtual fundraiser. If you have not yet received an email from Mrs. Saathoff regarding the project, please check your junk mail folders or email her at flutes@byso.org to receive instructions and the music.

SENIORS: Last Chance for \$1,000!

Every Spring, BYSO awards a \$1,000 college scholarship to one recent student to help with college expenses. Nearly all high school seniors and recent alums are eligible. Learn more and apply through our [Annual Awards](#) webpage. Deadline is March 31.

Dow Constantine on the Arts

King County Supervisor Dow Constantine called for support of the arts community in his March 16 press conference:

I also ask you to join me in supporting the arts. If you plan on doing it to an arts organization any time this year, please do it now and take the time to donate to one of the many charities that's helping the people who are employed in the arts to get through this period. People have been put out of work either because they're artists or because they work backstage in the arts to be able to pay their rent to be able to put a meal on the table. If your event is canceled, whether it's a charitable event or an arts event, please don't ask for a refund if you can afford it. These organizations need those funds to get through this time right now. Consider your ticket a contribution to a worthy cause. We can all play a small part in helping our economy and our neighbors, helping them hang on until the day we can lift these orders and eventually get to back to life as normal.

Have a calming weekend!

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