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Announcements | October 8, 2020

Off to a Great Start

Our first Monday of online rehearsals went very smoothly overall. Thanks to all of you who were so well prepared and ready to participate! We also want to thank you for your patience as we work to ensure students are in their preferred ensemble. Response times to email may be 36-48 hours, not including weekends. This is all new for us and there are bound to be some bumps along the way. And please keep an eye on your email every Monday for information from your director. There may not be an email each week but please do check.

If you are still waiting to hear about a change in ensemble and have not heard back, please email admin@byso.org and in the subject please write "Ensemble Change". Don't forget to include your students name and birthdate in the email.

If you haven't had the opportunity yet, check out your ensemble page. There might be some good information there.

<https://www.byso.org/ensembles/>

Absences

If you need to report an absence, please do so using a form on the website. Go to <https://www.byso.org> then choose Ensembles, pick your ensemble and scroll down a bit. On the right hand side of the page you will see a form that says **Report an Absence**. Please report the absence before the class is scheduled to meet so the Director will not expect you.

Tuition Due by October 18th

You can click [here](#) to pay tuition online or you can mail a check to our office at:

Bellevue Youth Symphony Orchestra
PO Box 3774
Bellevue, WA 98009

If you asked to Credit your tuition last season, please email admin@byso.org to find out what the amount was. Please be sure to include both your legal and preferred name (if applicable) and your students name so we can find you. We then let you know how to proceed.

If you are interested in learning about financial aid, you can click [here](#).

As always, you can email info@byso.org if you have questions about tuition.

Free Webinars with the Greater Boulder Youth Symphonies

The Greater Boulder Youth Symphonies have an exciting program of webinars coming up featuring violinist Midori and other outstanding musicians. All students in BYSO are invited to attend these free sessions.

More information and Zoom links posted at www.GreaterBoulderYO.org. Note the times below are Mountain Time, one hour ahead of Pacific.

Midori - masterclass -- Sunday Oct 11, 6:00 - 7:25pm MT

Midori - Encouraging Young People to Keep Music in Their Lives / Life Beyond High School --
Tuesday Oct 13, 7:30 - 8:30 pm MT

Midori - Arts Advocacy Workshop -- Thursday Oct 15, 5:00 - 6:00 pm MT

Greg Pattillo, beatbox flute -- Sunday October 18, 6:00 - 7:00 pm MT

Midori - How to practice -- Tuesday Oct 20, 5:30 - 6:30 pm MT

Midori - Oral heritage: who to listen to and what to listen for -- Wednesday Oct 21, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
MT

Your Body is Your First Instrument, Alexander Technique for Musicians -- Sunday October 25, 6:00
- 7:00 pm MT

Masterclass with Yumi Hwang-Williams, concertmaster of the Colorado Symphony
Sunday Nov 1, 6:00 - 7:00 pm MT

Chamber music masterclass with Charles Wetherbee, Carpe Diem String Quartet, Boulder
Philharmonic Concertmaster, Chair of String Studies at CU Boulder -- Sunday Nov 8, 6:00 - 7:00
pm MT

Many thanks to Greater Boulder Youth Orchestras for sharing this wonderful program!

Take a Bluegrass Break

This evening, take a break to listen to some bluegrass music! Wintergrass, our local bluegrass music festival, is hosting 45-minute online live bluegrass concerts for free every month. Check in tonight at 7pm: [Pocketgrass](#).

The Dumpling Episode features Orville Johnson, The DownTown Mountain Boys, Nefesh Mountain, a Lightning workshop with Ricky Gene Powell & Sister Mary Agnes, a bit of magic and is hosted by storyteller Aunt Mama.

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