

SUMMER 2023

MUSICAL NOTES

Official Newsletter of the Santa Cruz Symphony League

Concert Previews Schedule

Mark your calendar to attend our Concert Previews during the upcoming season! Featuring Maestro Daniel Stewart, these events offer the unique opportunity to experience concerts on a deeper level with stories behind the music and up close performances by guest soloists in an intimate setting. Held the Friday before Santa Cruz Symphony concerts, dates for the 2023-24 season are:

- September 22, 2023
- October 20, 2023
- January 19, 2024
- March 22, 2024
- May 3, 2024

*Times and locations to be announced.

Maestro Daniel Stewart discusses Carmina Baruna at Concert Preview



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Board of Directors Announced

Elections for our Board of Directors were held in June, and the results are in! We now have 22 board members, including 6 new board members. The team is actively working year round to plan events and fundraisers for the League.

Officers of our Board of Directors include:

- Anna Hackenbracht & Mary Ann Orr, *Presidents*
- Cheryl Hammond, *Past President & Parliamentarian*
- Roy & Mark Chambers-Bray, *Treasurers*
- Kathy Hatfield, *Recording Secretary*
- Anna Hackenbracht, *Director of Fundraising*
- Anne Hayden & Kate Sutherland, *Directors of Education & Previews*
- Dan Rutan, *Director of Membership & Recruitment*
- Patricia Greenway & Andy Rolphe, *Directors of Communications*
- Susan Koeker, *Corresponding Secretary*



Members at Large include:

Angela Clark, Dianne Overbo, Fred Dunn-Ruiz, Jan Derecho, Mary Ann Hobbs, Nancy Van Natta, Rachel Sabajo, Spomenka Zaninovich, Sophie Polyhronakis, and Vickie Rutan.

2023-25 Santa Cruz Symphony League Board of Directors



Annual Donation to Symphony

Gary Reece, Executive Director of the Santa Cruz Symphony, was thrilled to receive a check for an astounding **\$95,000** from the Symphony League during our Annual Meeting on June 24. He expressed his appreciation to the League for their hard work and dedication to supporting the Santa Cruz Symphony.

In a time of tight budgets for arts organizations everywhere, this was a welcome surprise.

"I screamed with excitement when I saw the amount of the check!" announced Symphony Association President, Linda Burroughs during the League's July board meeting.

Gary Reece receives annual donation from Symphony League



 SANTA CRUZ
SYMPHONY LEAGUE

INVITES YOU TO A
Paella Party

SAT, SEPT 2, 2023
5pm - 9pm

Join us for a festive evening in the award winning garden of Roy & Mark Chambers-Bray

157 WILLOW DRIVE
FELTON, CA

Experience a cultural sensation as you watch Bay Area Paella Chef, Jason Christian, prepare a four course feast! Sip Spanish cocktails & wine while enjoying a music & dance performance by Matiz Flamenco!



Seating is limited to 30 guests
Tax deductible tickets are \$1,000 per person
All proceeds benefit Santa Cruz Symphony

RSVP by August 13 to (831) 331-5684 or (831) 334-7758

Season Subscriptions Now Open

The 2023-24 concert season has a thrilling line-up of performances scheduled. Popular concerts sell out, so secure your seat through a season subscription.

Benefits of having a season subscription, include:

- Save up to 15% off the single ticket price.
- Get first choice of the best available seats and keep the same reserved seat at every concert.
- Exchange tickets between the Civic and Mello concerts in any regular-season concert set.
- Tickets are mailed to subscribers the first week of September, so no need to rush to the box office.

Save money and time by becoming a subscriber today!

Ways to order your season subscription:

ONLINE: www.SantaCruzSymphony.org/subscribe

CALL: (831) 462-0553

EMAIL: office@santacruzsymphony.org

Echos of Empire

SEPT 23 & 24

Strauss: Till Eulenspiegel
Hristo Yotsov: Drumset Concerto
Respighi: Pines of Rome

Operas of Seville

OCT 21 & 22

Mozart: Overture to Don Giovanni
Rossini: Overture to Il Barbiere di Siviglia
Beethoven: Leonore Overture no. 3
Verdi: Overture to La forza del destino
Bizet: Carmen Suites 1 & 2

Daphnis & Chloe

JAN 20 & 21

Mahler: Adagio from Symphony No. 10
Jean Ahn: Ja-Jang, Ja-Jang for Gayageum
& Orchestra
Ravel: Daphnis et Chloe 2nd Suite

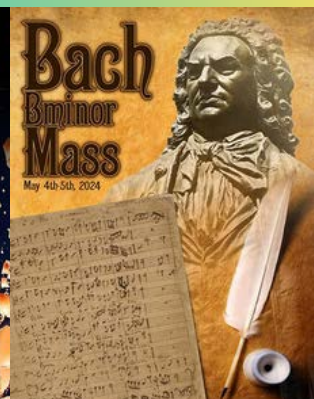
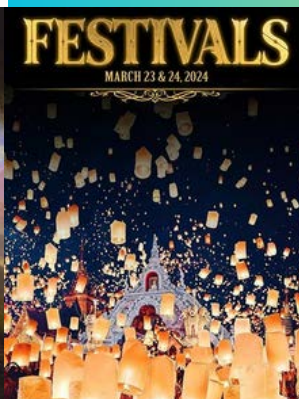
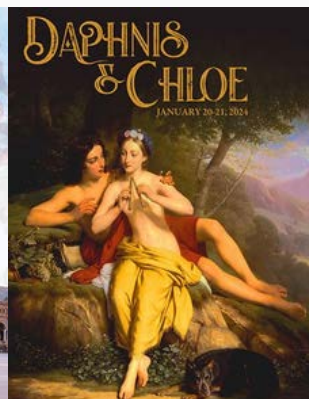
Festivals

MAR 23 & 24

Jose Granero: Matsuri Overture
Schumann: Cello Concerto
Stravinsky: Petrushka

Bach: B Minor Mass

MAY 4 & 5



New Members

The Symphony League is growing! Welcome our newest members:

Holly Brown

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Joined: 04/2023
Contributing Member

Cecily Cahill & Polly Hughes

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ceccahill@gmail.com (Cecily)
Joined: 06/2023
Friend (x2)

Joyce Franzman

1572 Kari Lane, Royal Oaks, CA 9507
(831) 761-2982
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Joined: 07/2023
Supporting Member

Julia Fuerst

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Individual

Carol Turley

259 Lakeview Road, Watsonville, CA 95076
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Joined: 07/23
Individual Member

Add them to your directory, and feel free to reach out to them when planning committees or hosting events.

Member Spotlight

Mary Ann Hobbs has been an active supporter of the Santa Cruz Symphony for decades. As a member of the Symphony League Board of Directors, her home has become an epicenter for symphony supporters to gather and raise money for the Symphony League. She has opened her historic home for the Home Tour, created table centerpieces for numerous events, served on planning committees for countless fundraisers, and hosted many sales in her garden to benefit the Santa Cruz Symphony. During the holidays, Mary Ann's home is transformed into Santa's workshop, where groups of symphony supporters gather to handcraft a variety of gift baskets and holiday decor to sell at the Home Tour Boutique. Thanks to her tireless efforts, creative mind, and generous heart, Mary Ann's contributions have helped establish record breaking donations to the Santa Cruz Symphony and built a community of friends among League members.





Santa Cruz Symphony League
**ANNUAL
TWILIGHT PICNIC**

FRI, OCT 13, 2023

4pm - 6:30pm

Paradise Park Picnic Grounds
211 Paradise Park
Santa Cruz

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Members &
Non-members
Welcome

\$25 per person
OR bring a non-member
& both dinners are FREE!

Reserve your seat today
for an enchanting evening
under the redwoods!
Enjoy a picnic dinner
with special guest
Maestro Danny Stewart,
who will share exciting highlights
on the upcoming season.

RSVP by Sept 30

Contact Cheryl Hammond at
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