

VSA Musician Newsletter – Week of 1/22/23

Hello VSA musicians!

Here is your weekly update on all things VSA. If you have any information you would like the entire VSA to know, please send that information to me by Sunday night. If there is any additional information you would like to see in this newsletter, please let me know!

Rehearsals this week

Rehearsals proceed normally this week for **Chorus** at 7:00pm on Tuesday. **Orchestra**, please see the following note from Charlotte:

Hello Orchestra! Our wonderful soloist for Laudate dominum will be joining us at the beginning of rehearsal this week so our rehearsal order will change quite a bit. Here is a tentative schedule:

7:30 Mozart Laudate Dominum
7:45 Mozart Symphony
7:55 Mendelssohn Symphony
8:15 Schubert
8:30 break
8:40 Bizet
9:00 Glazunov
9:20 Mendelssohn Oratorio

Thank you for all of the hard work you have put into this music!

If you ever have any questions about rehearsal schedules, they can be found under the "About Us" section of our website, ValleySymphony.net for both [chorus](#) and [orchestra](#).

February concert program

The [program for the February concert](#) is already available on our website. We will only have 500 printed programs for both concerts this time, so if you don't need a paper copy please leave them for our audience members. Programs are always available on the website at <https://valleysymphony.net/concerts-and-tickets> below the corresponding concert listing.

VSA in the news: Anwen Borgo

As a current young composer whose first ever choral work is premiering at our February program, Anwen has become the poster child for this performance. Learn more about her and her work for this concert!

1. Original news release:

<https://valleysymphony.net/images/news-releases/01-16-2023-Release-Feb-Anwen-Borgo.pdf>

2. Montrose Daily Press - Arts & Entertainment Feature story 1/19/23:

<https://www.montrosepress.com/tncms/asset/editorial/11c3b090-96d2-11ed-a88e-873674631cf4>

3. Radio interview:

Listen here (scroll down to the collateral material listed below the concert listing):

<https://valleysymphony.net/concerts-and-tickets>

4. Telluride Daily Planet - feature article

https://www.telluridenews.com/arts_and_entertainment/article_67d5335a-9a65-11ed-81cc-2384c533ac9d.html

Music library rehoming

The VSA library is still looking for a new home in Delta or Montrose. The library consists of 12 office style file cabinets and a few boxes. A clean, dry place with reasonable lighting would fill the bill, possibly a local business with a little extra space. We could provide some tickets and certainly a thank you in the program for their support. If you know of any possibilities, please call Hartland at 970-275-8676.

Housing for next guest conductor

Our next guest conductor, Steven Aguilo-Arbues will be arriving in March to begin rehearsals for the Pop Stars and Superheros concert. We still need housing for Steven for the following dates:

3/23/23

3/30/23

4/6/23

4/13/23

4/20-23/23

Please let Hartland know if you are able to host. Call or email Hartland: 970-275-8676, info@valleysymphony.net.

Get to know your fellow musicians!

Answers to these weekly questions can be found on the About Us section of our website under either [Chorus](#) or [Orchestra](#) in the Meet the Members area. The answer will also be posted in next week's email, so you can get to know a little more about the people you are sharing the stage with.

Last week's featured musician was **Robin Nicholoff**. Robin lost the tip of his finger in a construction accident, which resulted in a shift from playing guitar to learning jazz piano. Read Robin's whole story at <https://valleysymphony.net/chorus-features-season-51>

This week's musician question: Which wind player also plays piano for chapel at the VA hospital in Grand Junction?

Happy music making!

Stephanie Helleckson
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