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Valley Youth Orchestra Presents Free “Celebrate America” Concert

Young musicians honor veterans and the American landscape on Saturday, November 21, at the Montrose Pavilion

MONTROSE, Colo., November 8, 2026: The Valley Youth Orchestra (VYO) will present Celebrate America, a concert honoring the nation’s 250th anniversary, on Saturday, November 21, at 7:00 pm at the Montrose Pavilion. Admission is free for all ages.

Nearly 50 young string players from across western Colorado will perform in the VYO’s three ensembles, the Concertino, Philharmonic and Chamber Orchestras, under the direction of Music Director Andrew Price. The program features patriotic classics and symphonic favorites.

Coming just 10 days after Veterans Day, the program honors those who have served with pieces such as Honor and Glory and More than Heroes. It pairs them with music inspired by the American landscape, including Prairie Sky and Canyon Sunset.

“Our students have worked hard this fall, and we’re excited to share this music with the community while honoring our military branches and our amazing western landscapes,” said Andrew Price, Music Director of the Valley Youth Orchestra. “This concert is a chance for families and neighbors to come together and hear what these young musicians can do. We’re grateful to everyone who supports the VYO, and we hope to see a full house at the Pavilion.”

The VYO will also hold auditions on Saturday, December 19, by appointment. Young musicians with good note-reading skills and at least one year of private instruction on violin, viola, cello or string bass are encouraged to audition. Families can find the audition form at valleyyouthorchestra.org, and questions can be sent to manager.vyo@gmail.com.

About the Valley Youth Orchestra

The Valley Youth Orchestra’s vision is to ignite a lifelong passion for music starting at a young age by providing a youth orchestra experience in a nurturing environment with a focus on peer mentoring and community engagement to rural communities in western Colorado. The VYO is a board-run, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Learn more at valleyyouthorchestra.org.

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