

VSA Musician Newsletter – Week of 1/29/23

Rehearsals this week

Our **combined dress rehearsal** for **Chorus AND Orchestra** will be this Thursday, February 2 at the Montrose Pavilion. Below is the rehearsal order.

Chorus pieces in this order:

1. "Nobody But You"
2. "Something Better"
3. "Bloom"
4. "To A Child" with the **String Quintet**

Chorus and Orchestra

- 7:30 Composer Ice Cream Sundae Run-Through
- 7:40 Mozart Laudate
- 7:50 Mendelssohn Oratorio Finale

Orchestra pieces in concert order

- 8:05 Mozart Symphony
- 8:15 Schubert
- 8:35 Break
- 8:45 Mendelssohn Symphony
- 9:05 Bizet
- 9:20 Glazunov

*Thanks brass and percussion for your patience with the breaks between playing. We want to make sure that we have a feel for the concert order.

It's Concert Week!

Saturday, February 4, 2023, Montrose Pavilion

- Call time: Orchestra 6:30pm, Chorus TBA
- Concert Begins: 7:30pm

Sunday, February 5, 2023, Montrose Pavilion

- Call time: Orchestra TBA, Chorus TBA
- Concert Begins: 3:00pm

- Before this concert, there will be a group of 3rd-6th graders backstage briefly for a small tour. All of these students have already started playing at least one instrument. Please say hi and help us get them excited for lifelong musicianship!

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.

Slideshow

The slideshow is also on the website in the bulleted list under the [Young Composers concert](#). Please check it out - the slideshow recognizes a lot of the people who love and support classical music as much as we do, albeit in ways other than performing themselves.. If you can support any businesses or individuals who support us, please do!

VSA in the News

1. [1/23/2023: original news release](#)
2. [Montrose Daily Press - Arts & Entertainment Feature story 1/25/23](#)
3. THIS WEEK! Radio: live radio interviews with Charlotte & Katy!
 - Tuesday 1/31 at 8:30am - Charlotte
 - Friday 2/3 at 8:15am - Katy

To listen to KUBC Gold :

- Find them on the radio at 104.5FM/AM580
- Click here and press play to listen live: <https://onlineradiobox.com/us/kubc/>

Recordings will be uploaded after each interview.

Music library rehoming

The VSA music 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:

3/23/2023

3/30/2023

4/6/2023

4/13/2023

4/20-23/2023

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 bassoonist *Carol Franklin*. Carol plays piano at both her church and the chapel at the VA hospital. She also enjoys hiking, traveling, and being a grandma, sewing, and gardening! Read Carol's whole story at <https://valleysymphony.net/orchestra-members-season-48/183-carol-franklin>

This week's musician question: Which chorus member grew up on a Holstein farm where they played classical music to calm the cows?

Happy music-making!

Stephanie Helleckson
Board Member, VSA