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About the Concert

Why the VOA and VSA Partner!

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- Our missions align: both uplift and enrich lives
- Music sparks memories
- Music brings passion and joy to life
- Music connects us to happy moments



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About the Concert

- We are continuing our beloved Christmas by Candlelight tradition
- There are new twists with popular additions from stage and screen
- Over 100 musicians share the stage to bring you today's performance







Meet Me... Chris Munday

Featured December, 2021

Growing up, Chris sang in her church's youth choir, adult choir, and several small groups. Prior to moving to Montrose, she performed in a distinguished seminary choir for 12 years. Soon after becoming a Colorado resident six years ago, she was missing the discipline of people working together to create a beautiful finished choral product—one that they and others could enjoy.

Read more about Chris and others at

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The beauty of carols sung by candlelight revives the sense of wonder in all of us. It evokes those joyous memories of waiting for Santa, anticipating the arrival of beloved family and friends, the tastes and smells of holiday foods, the hustle and bustle of shopping and wrapping, the scent of pine, and yes, the intense curiosity for what is in that package! From everyone in the orchestra and chorus, we wish you a joyous holiday season and hope our music has gotten the season off to a bright start for you!



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Meet Me... Michael Kern

Orchestra Conductor

Conducting the VSA since 1993, Kern is a graduate of Butler University (Indianapolis, IN) with a bachelor's degree in music education and a master's degree in music composition. While attending Butler, he studied jazz string bass with David Baker, nationally-known jazz educator and head of the Indiana University School of Jazz.

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- Montrose High School Winterguard riser assistance
- Carol McDermott poster distribution
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- Chow Down Pet Supplies gift baskets
- Welcome Western Colorado gift basket







Meet Me... Brenda Anderson

Featured March, 2019

Brenda has been singing with the VSA chorus since its beginning and has performed under all eight directors. Except for brief hiatuses she has been in some sort of singing group since junior high: glee club, Meistersingers in high school, Chancel Singers in college choral, church choir, and many small groups. Her first solo was in 5th grade, a part of "Getting to Know You" from "The King of Siam."

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Individual Musician Underwriters

Glen Hast

Alto 1 - Cheryl Harshman

Anna B. Strong Foundation

Tenor 1 - Sam Kevan, Bonnie Koehler, Kevin Pulsipher, Anna H. Strong





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Meet Me... Beth Pertz Orchestra

Beth began studying cello at age 14. As a senior, she performed in the Colorado Springs Symphony, glorying in the beautiful music and opportunity to share the stage with wonderful musicians. Duringher freshman year at CU Boulder, she dropped the music major, unable to overcome a fear of performing solo in public.

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Delta School District for rehearsal space

- Sarah Chavez (Program Director)
- Kurt Clay (Assistant Superintendent)
- Leo Beltran (Facilities Manager)









About the VSA

Mission Believing in the transformative power of music to inspire and entertain, diverse volunteer musicians perform live to connect Western Slope audiences of all ages.



Making the Music Possible

Meet Me... Gary Miller Orchestra

Featured February, 2020

It's unfair to cubbyhole Gary Miller as simply "a tuba player" in light of his musical knowledge, longevity, and harmonious influence on the Western Slope.



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About the VSA

Additional musicians playing in this concert Flute Katie Hanson (Paonia) Clarinet Toby King (Austin)



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About the Concert

Exciting music from productions you know and love:

- Frozen
- Polar Express
- A Charlie Brown Christmas
- White Christmas
- and more you will recognize!



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Meet Me... Holly Burgess Orchestra

Featured Oct, 2018

Montrose native Holly (Ray) Burgess has been with the VSA since 2006. She began her musical career in 3rd grade with piano lessons and picked up the clarinet in 6th grade, over 26 years ago, and has no intention of putting it down.

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Read more about Holly and others at

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Orchestra Section Underwriters

- Flute/Piccolo: Kathryn Kubinyi Family & Friends
- Clarinet: Glen Hast, Rounds & Brooks CPAs PC
- Bassoon: Ramona Good
- French Horn: Marble Roots, LLC
- Trumpet: Vectra Bank





About the VSA

Vision Bringing Classical Music to Life!

Goal

Ensuring that future generations will enjoy the legacy of live orchestral and choral music that so magnificently celebrates the human spirit.



Making the Music Possible

Meet Me... Debra TenNapel Concertmaster

She began playing at age nine and began more serious musical studies at ten under the tutelage of Elizabeth Kidwell, eventually earning regional and national youth-level recognition before joining Northern California's Modesto Symphony Orchestra as a teen. She continued her studies under Mutzuko Cooper and Warren VanBronkhurst within the California State University system, earning a bachelor's degree in violin performance from CSU-Stanislaus in 1990.

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Orchestra: Anne Clayton

Chorus: Brenda Anderson & Bonnie Koehler





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- Online: ValleySymphony.org
- Phone: 970-765-0913
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Orchestra Section Underwriters

- Conductor: Mark & Nora Kniskern
- Concertmaster: The Houlihan-Perryman-TenNapel Families
- Violin 1: Dr. Mary Kleinsorge, DC
- Violin 2: San Juan Foot & Ankle Center
- Viola: Bill Starnes
- Cello: Mary Novak, Superlative Concrete Seal
- Contrabass: Welcome Western Colorado





About the VSA Logo



Our logo was created to strategically identify our organization by name and infuse visual elements that distinguish our purpose, approach, and locale. The stylized treble and bass clefs integrated within the initials represent us as a musical organization. The five lines of the staff and double bar lines provide additional musical references. The staff also alludes to our locale, as the topmost line is a silhouette of the San Juan Mountain range that overlooks the Uncompandere, Grand, and North Fork Valleys from which our musicians hail. The graceful, yet animated font used in the initials suggests approachable elegance, a visual nod to our main focus on classical music.



Making the Music Possible

Meet Me... Carol Franklin Orchestra

Featured Dec, 2018

When I was 5, my mother sat me down on our piano bench and taught me to read music. I took to it like a duck to water. In the 5th grade, my parents gave me a flute, which I learned to play myself and used to perform with the Morgan School band here in Montrose. In the 8th grade, my music teacher showed me a bassoon, reed, and fingering chart, and said, "When you learn to play, you can join the band." I felt like a cast off, but it was the best thing, because I love to play bassoon!

Read more about Carol and others at

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- Trombone: Avis Rental Car
- Tuba: Annie Lindsey
- Percussion: Dr. Mary Vader
- Piano/Keyboard: Roger Whitehouse, Cedar Point Health





Individual Musician Underwriters

Montrose Regional Health

Viola - Anwen Borgo

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• Viola - Dan Lamar, Barb Kremski, Carly Willey, Carter Smith





Meet Me... Katy Kristoffersen,

Chorus Conductor

Katy Kristoffersen's 20 years of experience in coaching and teaching are backed by undergraduate and master's degrees in music education. Since 2010, Katy has expanded her practice into mindfulness coaching and loves to incorporate these techniques into all areas of teaching.

Read more about Katy and others at

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Benefits of Listening to Classical Music

- Listening to classical music for just 45 minutes prior to bed can help improve sleep quality
- Listening to classical music can help increase dopamine secretion, which activates the brain's reward and pleasure center
- Studies have proven that classical music makes repetitive tasks more enjoyable and employees more productive





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Glen Hast

Clarinet - Holly Burgess

Seth Ryan, Jim & Eleanor Ennis, Alexander Orthodontics

Clarinet - Stacey Ryan

Anonymous

Bassoon - Carol Franklin





Meet Me... Dave Reddish Orchestra

Featured Feb, 2019

Dave started playing in 5th grade in Evergreen, his hometown. With bachelor's and master's degrees in music from Western State, he's lived in Gunnison, Delta, or Montrose since his undergrad years. During his teaching career, he taught band, choir, elementary music, math, science, reading, and computer technology.

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Read more about Dave and others at

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Become an Underwriter

Any time during our season, you can underwrite an individual musician or section in the orchestra or chorus!

• Section - \$250/section: includes 1 season ticket/acknowledgment

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Individual - \$100/chair: includes acknowledgment



Individual Musician Underwriters

The George Miller Family

• Timpani - Anne Clayton

Amie Middleton

Piano/Keyboard - Anne Koehler







About the Concert

Special thanks to Alpine Floral for providing the beautiful arrangements for the lobby!







Making the Music Possible



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Making the Music Possible

Volunteer Recognition

- All Saints Anglican Church trailer space
- Rob Bunyard trailer transport
- **RPM Automotive** music storage
- Jen Wolfe Creative graphic design and more
- Bella Rose Photography/Sharon Brown photography













Benefits of Listening to Classical Music

- Connect us with other people
- Engage our brains and helps us want to learn more
- Improve our ability to memorize
- Lower stress and anxiety
- Combat the symptoms of depression
- Improve heart health, decrease fatigue, boost exercise performance, and manage pain!



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Board of Directors

- Hartland H. Clubb, Jr., president (Delta, 2010)
- Priscilla Fry, treasurer (Grand Junction, 2008)
- Brenda Anderson (Cedaredge, 2018)

Thank you for your tireless leadership and selfless dedication to the VSA.





About the Concert

Irving Berlin's White Christmas was written for the 1942 musical film Holiday Inn, not for the 1954 Bob Hope movie White Christmas.





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About Sleigh Ride

Leroy Anderson formed the idea for what has become the light orchestra standard, *Sleigh Ride*, during a terrible heat wave in 1946, yet it just recently made its first movie appearance in *Elf* in 2015.





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Meet Me... Hartland Clubb, Jr.

Featured December, 2018

Hartland Clubb, Jr., current VSA Board President and owner of Clubb's Stores in Delta, has been an active member of the VSA in various ways for decades. He played trumpet with the orchestra from 1981-1986, has been singing with the chorus since 2004, and serving on the board since 2010.

Read more about Hartland and others

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- Conductor Mary Corboy
- Soprano 2 Hendrika (Ricky) Cegielski
- Alto 2 Sprague Mayger & Priscilla Fry
- Tenor 1 Anna B. Strong Foundation
- Tenor 2 Dr. Sam and Lana Kevan
- Bass 1 The George Miller Family
- Bass 2 In Memory of Aron Cegielski





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from two of our grateful musicians, Stacey Ryan (Clarinet) and Kendra Sitton (Trumpet)



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About the Concert

The concert culminates with the joyful *Hallelujah* chorus from *Messiah* written by George Frideric Handel in 1741. Handel took just 24 days to compose the complete 260-page oratorio. He barely slept or ate, and when the last note was penned, Handel reportedly said, "I did think I did see all Heaven before me, and the great God Himself seated on His throne, with His company of Angels."





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Tip of the Hat

DJo Lowell, daughter of VSA founders Wilma and Charles Lowell, played violin at the first VSA performance in 1970 and she's on stage again today—51 years later!

We're happy you've joined us again!



Making the Music Possible

Individual Musician Underwriters

C&N Storage and David Pertz

Cello - Beth Pertz

Anonymous

Cello - Martha Ditto





Former VSA Chorus Members

We would like to invite any former members of the VSA Chorus to join us on stage to sing the *Hallelujah* chorus.



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The VSA on Stage and Screen!

Special shout out to our venue sponsor, the City of Montrose, for videotaping our concert. The program will be available on Charter Cable Channel 191, Elevate TV Channel 970, and on the City's YouTube channel.







May Your Holidays Be Merry & Bright!