

MARCH 2024



NAPA VALLEY YOUTH SYMPHONY

FROM THE STAND

NEWS, EVENTS AND SPOTLIGHTS



MESSAGE FROM SILVIA

Get ready for the mesmerizing performance by harpist Jessica Cheung, our 2024 Concerto Competition winner! Jessica will captivate guests at the Spring Benefit Concerto, showcasing the exceptional talent of the Napa Valley Youth Symphony.

2024 continues to be full of exciting opportunities as we launched our NOTES Program for promising strings players and prepare for our Youth Symphony's performance at Carnegie Hall in New York City this summer. It's a great time to be a member of NVYS and we are looking forward to our Spring Auditions to bring more student musicians into the NVYS Family!

Join us in celebrating these incredible achievements! We look forward to seeing you soon from the stand!

AN EVENING AT THE SYMPHONY



Join us on Sunday, April 21, 2024 for an unforgettable “Evening with the Youth Symphony” celebrating our 2024 Concerto

Competition Winner, Jessica Cheung performing Maurice Ravel’s Introduction et Allegro. Jessica shares that this piece reminds her of old Hollywood cinema and the vintage films. She has enjoyed preparing this piece with its rich, emotional solos from start to finish, the dramatic arpeggios and harmonies, and finale. Jessica has enjoyed Ravel’s myriad of melodies, tempos, and techniques that have made learning Introduction and Allegro a true journey.

Secure your tickets for this once-in-a-lifetime performance [HERE](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY - APRIL 7th at 3:30PM,
Napa Valley College

Napa Youth Young musicians, ages 10-18, with 2 years of public/private music experience are invited to come to our rehearsal for “Bring a Buddy to Rehearsal Day!”

Your musician will be able to talk to our current members experience our programs first-hand. Registration for this event is required and closes on April 1st, 2024. Sign-up [HERE](#).

(Please note: Musicians must be able to sight read notes and bring their own instrument.)



NEXT STOP - CARNEGIE HALL

On **Friday, June 21, 2024**, the Napa Valley Youth Symphony will perform at the renowned Carnegie Hall in New York City!

Support our musicians' once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! The Napa Valley Youth Symphony has been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall's Viennese Festival this summer. Your gift funds tour scholarships, shaping young musicians' futures. Make an impactful, lifelong gift [HERE](#).



Discover the transformative power of music! Connect with Executive Director [Silvia Regalado-Zachlod](#) to learn how you can support the Napa Valley Youth Symphony, its enriching programs, and talented young musicians in our communities.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUESDAY - APRIL 16th at 6PM,
Sonoma State University (SSU)

Dr. Alexander Kahn (*Director of Orchestral Activities*) and the SSU strings faculty invites you to their Inaugural SSU Strings Studio class!

This FREE event is open to all young (ages 12-22) string players in the North Bay who would like to share their music and receive constructive feedback on their playing from our faculty. We welcome solo pieces, etudes, orchestral excerpts, and chamber music. Register [HERE](#).



Above: Dr. Alexander Kahn with Youth Symphony ensemble

INTRODUCING NOTES PROGRAM

Through a generous gift from the NOTES for Education Foundation and in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club Napa Valley, the Napa Valley Youth Symphony launched our NOTES Program at McPherson Elementary in February. Beginner strings students are taking advantage of building their music skills through guided group coaching with strings music instructors, Cody Alves and Hanna Murakami.



NVYS NOTES Program Manager, Cynthia Soto is leading this new initiative to help build a pool of candidates for youth symphony and support music education in our community. Plans to broaden our impact include a host-site in American Canyon and opening a woodwinds/brass session.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY - APRIL 21ST at 4PM,
Performing Arts Center at NVC

Don't miss "An Evening with the Youth Symphony" - a Benefit Concerto for Musician Scholarships. Featuring our 2024 Concerto Competition Winner, Jessica Cheung on harp. Tickets include a pre-concert reception with curated hors d'oeuvres and wines. Purchase Tickets [HERE](#).



SUNDAY - APRIL 28TH at 1PM,
Napa Valley College

Calling musicians (ages 8-18) to our Spring Auditions for 2024/2025 Season! Accepting all instruments for Sinfonia and Youth Symphony. Request an audition appointment [HERE](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY - MAY 25TH at 12PM
BottleRock Napa Valley

The Napa Youth Valley Youth Symphony returns for it's 11th-year performance at BottleRock Napa Valley! Tickets for the festival are sold out - BUT - Score a Chance to WIN TWO (2) 3-Day General Admission passes through our Bottle Rock Raffle that supports student scholarships. Raffle Tickets are only \$20 each and proceeds support our musicians.

Get your raffle tickets [HERE](#).
Winning ticket will be drawn on 04/21/24 during Benefit Concerto. Winner does not need to be present to win.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY - JULY 22ND at 9AM,
Jarvis Conservatory

Napa Youth Chamber Ensemble (NYCE) Director and Head Coach, Yasushi Ogura, will lead our **Strings Chamber Camp** Monday, July 22 through Friday, July 26th. This is a great opportunity for Advanced Beginner to Advanced String Musicians. Registration is now open [HERE](#).



SATURDAY - JULY 29TH at 7PM,
Jarvis Conservatory

Annual Concert showcasing the work and musicianship of talented strings musicians from our Summer Strings Chamber Camp in one of the most beautiful venues in the Valley. Purchase Your Tickets [HERE](#).

MASTERING MUSIC

SUMMMER ENRICHMENT

Music Connection

Summer is a great time to keep playing! Music Connection is offering several music classes for 5th-12th grade. You can learn more [HERE](#).

SUMMMER MUSIC CAMP

Napa Valley Music Associates

A special music camp is being offered for intermediate beginner musicians ages 10-18. You can learn more [HERE](#).



STRINGS MASTERCLASS

Music in the Vineyards

Music in the Vineyards (MITV) will host a special performance and masterclass for NVYS musicians and families in August. More details to come!

INVEST IN MUSIC & CHANGE LIVES

MUSICIAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Help launch our 2024/2025 supporting our musicians!

A gift of any size helps us make this enriching experience available to talented musicians regardless of their families ability to pay. NVYS is committed to creating an organization that values diversity, equity and inclusion. We believe cost should never be a barrier to participation and offer scholarships each season.

Consider making a gift online today! [CLICK HERE](#) to start!

Give the Gift Music!



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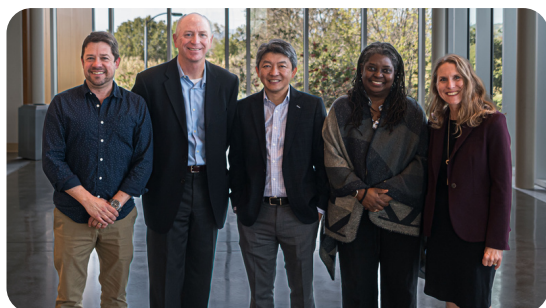
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NVYS LEADERS & MENTORS

We are seeking Youth Symphony musicians to be a part of our **NEW NVYS Leaders & Mentors Program!** If you want to serve as a mentor to younger musicians, help us with Audition Workshops and shape upcoming seasons -complete our **NVYS LEADERS & MENTORS**

Application [HERE](#). *(Open to only incoming 10th-11th grader for the 2024/2025)*

NVYS COACH LIST

If you are interested in providing young musicians with lessons and/or joining our cadre of coaches for our ensembles, please complete the Music Instructor Interest Form [HERE](#).



JOIN OUR MAILING LIST! Send us a note with your name to orchestra@nvysso.org

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