



Chesapeake Youth Symphony Orchestra

Weekly Communications

Special points of interest:

- *Preparatory Orchestra performs at Arnold Elementary*
- *CYSO Concerto Winner performs with MASO*
- *Update on From the Top*

Registration for some summer music camps are still open. If you have not yet decided which camps you will attend, check out the opportunities at: <http://delicious.com/djudy/bundle:summer%20music%20camp>—thanks to Deborah Judy, mother of Concert Orchestra violinist, Dana Judy.

You can now order your concert recording for the Gala and Spring Concerts. The CDs are \$15.00 each and can be ordered by emailing Linda

Foss at exccdir@cysomusic.org

We are looking for two violinists to participate in the the CYSO Chamber Ensemble.

This small chamber group rehearses at Bates on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30PM is looking for 2 violin players from the Symphony or Concert orchestra that might be interested in joining their group. Their repertoire is a typical string quartet repertoire of classical and popular music. Their performances occur

throughout the year at receptions, CYSO sponsor events, and as part of our music outreach efforts.

Please contact Ben Newsom at ben.newsom@comcast.net if you are interested.

Also, the newsletter editor is looking for stories from people who like to practice. Please submit your entries about why you enjoy it and how you practice to : penny.mohr@verizon.net

Around Town: Report on the Preparatory Orchestra String Concert

The preparatory strings orchestra conducted by William Schachter performed a spring concert April 8 at Arnold Elementary School. As part of the community outreach concert event, 17 elementary school string students played alongside the prep strings musicians for the performance of Cable Car Crossing and Petite Tango. Two Arnold Elementary percussion students performed for Petite Tango and The Pink Panther.

accompanied by prep strings accompanist Susan Doetsch, Ian Essig, and Ann Marie Nolan. The evening concert was the prep strings first elementary school outreach performance. Arnold elementary string and band teachers Mrs. Dickenson and Mrs. Ronning helped make the evening a well attended and successful event. The prep strings orchestra hopes to plan other outreach concert events to area public schools to introduce young musicians to the CYSO.



Bass player at 2009 Finale concert

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The program also included: March of the Meistersingers, Conquistador, Two Welsh Airs, and Concertino in G. Solo performances were played by Sarah Doetsch ac-

**"MUSIC IS ENOUGH FOR A LIFETIME, BUT A LIFETIME IS NOT ENOUGH FOR MUSIC."
SERGEI RACHMANINOV**

Featured Member: Faith Peeler performs with Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra

Music Director, Julien Benichou, has prepared a fitting conclusion to a dynamic season of 'Great Classics'. The concert is at 7:30 pm on Thursday April 22nd at the Easton Church of God on No. Washington St., with the pre-concert talk one hour before the performance. The opening number presents the musical future. Eleventh grade student Faith Peeler, winner of the 2010 Chesapeake Youth Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition, will solo with the orchestra performing Cécile Chaminade's *Concertino for Flute*, with which she won the competition. Cécile Chaminade, born in France in 1857, was successful as both a pianist and composer. This delicate and airy "Concertino" has been called one of the most beautiful pieces for flute ever written. It is rumored that Chaminade composed this as a gift to a flutist with whom she was in love. Unfortunately he did not feel the same and married someone else, but this lovely piece of music remains today as her most popular composition. The opportunity to solo with the Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra in the season finale was one of Peeler's awards. This talented young woman has been studying flute for seven years and not surprisingly has won other competitions as well. This is the sec-

ond year that the MSO has featured the CYSO Concerto Competition winner.

Continuing to feature the wind instruments, Maestro Benichou has programmed Mozart's *Symphonie Concertante for Winds*. For the second time this season members of the orchestra are featured in solo performances. This time the audience is treated to oboe, clarinet, bassoon and French horn performing as a quartet and as individual soloists. This is an opportunity to focus on the unique sound of each of these instruments and the blending with the rest of the orchestra. Especially interesting is the final movement with the solo oboe presenting the theme followed by ten variations featuring the solo quartet. To conclude this concert, and the season, we hear Tchaikovsky's Symphony #5 in E minor. Although there was quite a bit of criticism when the Fifth was originally presented both in Europe and the United States, it has prevailed. There is much that is familiar about this symphony. It was used as the basis for a ballet *Les Présages*. Various passages, bits and pieces, have been heard in several motion pictures from the 30's through the 80's. Part of the soothing, lyrical second movement was given English lyrics under the title "Moon Love" and recorded by Glenn Miller and Chet Baker among

others. Every member of the orchestra rises to the occasion, guiding us through the central melody, rising and falling, loud now soft, to the triumphant finish. This is a 'not to be missed' performance. And so the Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra's 13th season comes to a triumphant conclusion.

For those of you who can attend, please come and support our Concerto winner. The concert is Thursday April 22nd at 7:30PM at Easton Church of God, 1009 No. Washington Street, Easton, MD. The pre-concert talk will be given at 6:30. Tickets and information may be obtained by calling 1-888-846-8600 or by visiting www.midatlanticsymphony.org.

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Noteworthy: Michael Harper on From the Top

In a past newsletter we reported that former CYSO member, Thomas Harper, would be performing live on National Public Radio's show "From the Top" on Sunday, April 18. The show will now be airing on Sunday, May 2, at 6:00 p.m. on WETA 90.9. On the broadcast Michael's trumpet trio performs an arrangement of *Chiapanecas* by Rafael Mendez, accompanied by Christopher O'Riley and members of the Portland Youth Symphony. They are joined by **17-year-old pianist Wilson Bristol from Freeport, ME** who performs *Tocata* from Dianne Goolkasian

Rahbee's Sonata No. 1, a **violin duo comprised of 18-year-old Josie Davis and 15-year-old Sophie Davis from Waldoboro, ME** who perform *Largo ma non tanto* from Concerto in D Minor by Johann Sebastian Bach, **14-year-old harpist Anna DeLoi from Plaistow, NH** who plays *Valse* by Arnold Bax, and **14-year-old cellist Clark Pang from Orinda, CA** who performs *Adagio*



from Samuel Barber's Cello Sonata Op. 6. Tune in to this wonderful show!

Upcoming Events Changes may occur in the schedule and updates will be listed in this newsletter and posted to the website.

April 8, 15, 22, 29	Rehearsals for all ensembles	Bates Middle School
May 6, 13, 20	Rehearsals for all ensembles	Bates Middle School
May 1 7:00 PM	A Tribute to the Military—CYSO Symphony and the USAF Blue Steel Band	Chesapeake High School
May 22 2:00 PM	CYSO Finale Concert—Concert Orchestra, Preparatory Orchestra and Junior Flute Ensemble with 3rd place winner of CYSO Concerto Competition	Maryland Hall
May 22 7:00 PM	CYSO Finale Concert—Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, String Orchestra and Senior Flute Ensemble with 2nd place winner of CYSO Concerto Competition	Maryland Hall
June 3, 8, 9, 10 5:00—9:00 PM	CYSO Auditions By appointment—call 443-758-3157	Bates Middle School Band Area

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CYSO follows Anne Arundel County Public Schools closures. In case of inclement weather check www.schoolsout.com or contact the Executive Director at the CYSO hotline (above).

Please send any ideas for articles, photos, or information about member accomplishments to put in this newsletter to: Newsletter Editor Penny Mohr penny.mohr@verizon.net or Assistant Editors: Anna Tayman altayman@aol.com Sarah Elert lilly-pad1012@gmail.com Deadline: Sunday every week.

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We would like this to be a member-driven newsletter. We are seeking members who would like to volunteer to help find and write articles, especially from the Wind Ensemble, Senior Flute Choir, or Symphony Orchestra. Contact

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or see Anna Tayman or Sarah Elert during breaks for the Concert Orchestra.