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MYA's Weekly News

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Midwest Young Artists:
Building a Home
with the Power of Music
to Enrich the Lives
of our Students
and Community

MYA Celebrates 15th Birthday this Weekend!

On the first week of February, 1993, 55 students came to the first orchestra rehearsal at Lake Forest Country Day School. We celebrate this event every year because it reminds us all of how far we have come with the help of so many MYA families. Be sure to pick up your car magnet - this year's birthday present at rehearsal!

MYA's Benefit: February 9 – Thank you!

A huge thank you to all the lords and ladies who attended *A Midwinter Night's Dream*, as well as to the many adult and student volunteers who worked the event. It was a huge success, much thanks to everyone's participation.

Congratulations to the raffle winners! 1st Prize - 42" Plasma HDTV – Karen Milonas; 2nd Prize - Apple MacBook - The Hammock Family; 3rd Prize - Garmin Navigational System - Mercedes Caruso; and 4th Prize - Bose Noise Canceling headphones – Elzbieta Berak Badziak.

Master Class Series Presents: Patricia Dash, Percussion

Monday, February 18, 2008

6:00 PM

MYA welcomes Chicago Symphony Orchestra percussionist Patricia Dash.

For more information please go to MYA's Concerts and Events page at mya.org/events.

Chicago National Chamber Music Competition, February 17th!

(PLEASE NOTE: The location has changed from Skokie Theatre to the MYA Center at Ft. Sheridan)

MYA is hosting the 1st Annual Chicago National Chamber Music Competition this Sunday, February 17, at the MYA Center. There are a total of 28 entries!! The event takes place from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM and is free and open to the public!

Dream with the Stars – February 23, 2008

DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2008 - PICK-STAIGER

10:30 Reading Orchestra, Cadet backstage

11:00 Cadet Orchestra, Prep backstage

11:30 Prep Orchestra, VR backstage

12:00 Voices Rising; Jazz Ensemble backstage

1:30 Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Orchestra backstage

2:00 Jazz Orchestra

2:30 set up for 3:00 concert

3:00 Concert (Reading, Cadet, Prep, Voices Rising, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Orchestra)

5:15 Dress Rehearsal - Symphony Orchestra (5:05 Bartók; 5:25 Lalo; 5:45-6:15 Strauss)

6:20 Dress Rehearsal - Concert Orchestra – (6:20 Saint-Saëns; 6:40-7:20 Beethoven)

7:30 Concert (Concert & Symphony)

Tickets for February 23 will be available this weekend!

Your tickets will be ready for pick-up on Saturday. If not picked up, they will be mailed out. Thank you for your patience!

Baldwin-Wallace Auditions

Reminder: Anita Evans, from Baldwin-Wallace will be recording auditions on February 24 from 10:00 AM to – 12:00 PM. MYA students are encouraged to apply if interested. If you have questions please contact Anita at aevans@bw.edu.

Early & New Music Ensemble Rehearsal Schedule

Sunday, February 17, 2008

4:00-6:00 New Music Academy

6:00-8:00 Early Music Academy (6:00-7:00 Orchestra alone; 7:00-8:00 Orchestra with Chorale)

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

If you know of someone else who should be the spotlight, please go to our website at www.mya.org/support/volunteer and click on "Volunteer of the Week".

Volunteer Spotlight!

Heidi Locker-Scheer (Tiffany/VR) with help from her husband, Bruce, did a fabulous job handling the selection, ordering, and distribution of our spirit wear this past fall. She helped us develop a system for taking the orders that ensured accurate accounting. In addition, she found volunteers to help take the order forms and disperse the merchandise. As you look around and notice all of the spirit items people are wearing, think of the many hours Heidi donated this year to help make it possible! We appreciate all she has done to help give MYA's name and logo visibility. Thank you!

Celebrate MYA's Birthday – Volunteer!

Chamber Competition Sunday, February 17

We still need 3 people to volunteer on Sunday:

Warm-up Room: 8:00–10:00 and 2:00–4:00

Timer: 10:00–12:00

Please email Gena at genaandreasen@mya.org

Ticket Sales

- Volunteers needed to sell tickets this Saturday and Sunday for next Saturday's concert at Pick-Staiger. Please let us know when you are available between 10:00 and 3:00 on Saturday or 12:00 - 8:00 pm on Sunday. Please contact Donna at Donnaschardt@mya.org
- For the Concert Day, Feb. 23rd, at Pick-Staiger, volunteers are needed to sell tickets from 2:00 - 3:00 or 6:00 - 7:30. Contact Donna at Donnaschardt@mya.org.

Concession Sales – Sell concessions half an hour before the concert and during intermission. Contact Gena genaandreasen@mya.org

- 2 people **3:00 Concert**
- 2 people **7:00 Concert**

PVO Meeting February 16 at 11:30 (in the lobby). **All are welcome!**

Post Card Mailing See Gena

In Lobby Saturday morning

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

MYA Posting School Events

We are including a new section in our weekly Newsletter devoted to upcoming school events. Please let us know about your upcoming Concerts, competitions, etc. – email susancook@mya.org.

Neuqua Valley High School: District 204 Solo and Ensemble Festival, **Monday, February 18.**

Barrington High School & Middle School: Orchestra Festival, Station Middle School, **Tuesday, February 19 at 7:30 PM.**

Warren Township High School: Warren Jazz Festival, O'Plaine Campus Auditorium, Gurnee, **Tuesday, February 19 at 7:00 PM.**

Buffalo Grove High School: District 214 Symphony Band Festival, BG Theater, **Wednesday, February 20 at 7:30 PM.**

Libertyville High School: Winter Band Concert, **Wednesday, February 20 at 7:00 PM.**

Glenbrook South High School: Glenbrook South V-Show, **Wednesday-Saturday, February 20-February 23 at 7:30 PM.**

Glenbrook North High School: Winter Band Concert, **Thursday, February 21 at 7:30 PM.**

Highland Park High School: All City Band and Orchestra Concert, Exhibition Gym, **Thursday, February 21 at 7:00 PM.**

New Trier High School: Choralliers Concert, McGee Theatre, Winnetka, **Thursday, February 21 at 7:30 PM.**

Woodlawn Middle School: Band & Choral Concert (Gr. 6-8), Long Grove, **Thursday, February 21 at 7:00 PM.**

Prospect High School: Jazz Band I & II at Jazz in the Meadows Festival, Rolling Meadows High School, **Saturday, February 23.**

Stevenson High School: Winter Band Concert, Performing Arts Center, **Sunday, February 24 at 3:00 PM.**

Stevenson High School: Winter Choral Concert, Performing Arts Center, **Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30 PM.**

Trier High School: Wind Ensembles Concert, Cornog Auditorium, Winnetka, **Wednesday, February 27 at 7:30 PM.**

Highland Park High School: Jammin' Java, location TBD, **Thursday, February 28 at 7:00 PM.**

KUDOS, B-DAYS & OTHER!

Member Birthdays!

02/17, Daniel Berghoff, cello, Symphony

02/17, Julia Rotunno, voice, Voices Rising

02/17, Antonio Cevallos, violin, Symphony

02/17, Christine Chung, cello, Prep

02/18, Alexander Blessing, bassoon, Concert

02/18, Erika Stromberg, cello, Concert

02/22, Ryan C. Te, clarinet, Concert