



Midwest Young Artists
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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

Jazz Rehearsals at Ravinia Sunday!

DON'T FORGET! If you are taking the Metra Union Pacific North Line, get off at the **Braeside** station; walk East across the parking lot and head North (left) on **St. John's Avenue**; you will walk North a couple of blocks and arrive at Bennett-Gordon Hall.

Altered Rehearsal Schedule:

Theory 1, Jazz Ensemble, Theory 2, and Jazz Orchestra schedules will remain the same. **There will be NO Theory 3 Class.**

5:00-6:30 Big Band

Pizza (\$2/slice)

7:00-9:00 Jam session open to all students and their guests

Viola Class This Saturday!

This week we welcome **Rami Solomonow**, Professor of Viola at DePaul University, and member of Chicago Chamber Musicians, to MYA to kick off the **Viola Classes** for the year! **The class will meet from 8-9:45 AM in the North Rehearsal Hall.** For now, participation is limited to violists in Concert and Symphony Orchestras, but Reading, Cadet and Prep students are welcome to come and watch and listen!

Next week (October 11), we will have our 2nd Cello Class with **Hans Jensen**. Please let Mrs. D know if anyone wants to play a solo!

Seating Auditions (Cadet, Prep and Concert Orchestras)

SATURDAY - Cello and Bass

October 11 - Violin 1

October 18 - Winds and Brass

Cadet and Prep - Cello excerpts were posted last week, but as a reminder, they are listed below. Mr. Pearson will announce Violin 1 excerpts at rehearsal!

Concert - Dr. Dennis posted **potential** audition spots for Concert Orchestra this past week on the members page. Those will also be posted on the bulletin boards.

As always, you will audition during rehearsal time.

Audition spots

Cadet:

Cello

Farandole

Beginning - m117

m101-133

Prep:

Cello

Beethoven Symphony # 5

m130-195

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Concert and Symphony Sectionals

Our first sectionals of the year will be on **Monday, October 13** (Columbus Day). As is always the case, attending sectionals takes an absence (2 allowed) off of your attendance record for the October 26 Concert. Here is the schedule:

Concert Orchestra

4:00-6:00 Vn 1 - South Rehearsal Hall

4:00-6:00 Vn 2 - Lobby

4:00-6:00 Viola - Macey Room

4:00-6:00 Cello - Kimmee Theory Room

4:00-6:00 Bass - Barkei Room

4:00-6:00 Winds/Brass/Percussion - North Rehearsal

Hall

Symphony Orchestra

6:00-8:00 Vn 1 & 2 - South Rehearsal Hall

6:00-8:00 Viola - Macey Room

6:00-8:00 Cello - Kimmee Theory Room

6:00-8:00 Bass - Barkei Room

6:00-8:00 Winds/Brass/Percussion - North Rehearsal

Hall

Upcoming October Master Classes:

Sunday, October 12

Rami Solomonow, Professor of Viola, DePaul University; member, Chicago Chamber Musicians

Saturday, October 18

N-E-W Trio, 2008 FISCHOFF Winners

For more information, visit our [Concerts & Events](#) page on the website! MYA students interested in performing a solo should contact Mrs. D (mya@mya.org), and chamber groups should talk to their coaches.

Current Openings at MYA in Choral Program and Honors Wind Symphony!

Please Spread the Word! Midwest Young Artists is currently accepting applicants for its Choristers & Chorale Vocal Ensembles. Interested students may register on-line or contact the MYA office at (847) 926-9898.

Current Symphony members do not have to audition for Honors Wind Symphony. The Wind Symphony will begin after marching season and after MYA's October 26th concert, so students should sign up online for an audition soon!

GENERAL INFORMATION

NFAA youngARTS Deadline EXTENDED

The National Foundation for the Advancement in the Arts registration deadline has been extended to October 6th due to a high volume of applicants. For more than 25 years, the NFAA has been dedicated to nurturing and supporting young artists as they pursue their dreams. For more information and to register, go to www.nfaa.org.

Have You Heard...

About **WMYA.FM**? Keep up-to-date with all of MYA's performances and interviews with faculty!

WMYA.FM – MYA's podcast site. The site includes interviews with master teachers and artists, and performances by MYA students and ensembles. Download new weekly episodes each week! This is a great way to stay connected and to share MYA with your friends and family!



VOLUNTEER INFO

Thank You's

We missed thanking a family who hosted students from the Stuttgart orchestra. Thank you **Linda & Dale Kaplan** (Haley/Con) and we're sorry we missed your name last month.

We had wonderful Benefit Kickoff Party last week. Thank you to all who took time out of their busy schedules to join us. **Cathy Popp** (Zach/Sym), **Kathy Pappas** (Ian/Con), **Carol Mavrakis** (Theodore/Con), **Anne Feeney** (Ian/JazzO), **Mary Syc** (Katie/Chorale), **Lisa Stueckmann** (Ryan/JazzC), **Patti Brand** (Cordelia/Conc), **Cynthia Funai** (Heather/Sym), **Donna Schardt** (Alyssa/Alum), **Rob Shepard**, **Rebecca Watts**, **Karen Dennis**, and **Gena Andreasen**

Thank you **Don Tunkl** (Aliza/Alum) who continues to take care of our building, aquarium, and anything else we need done here. **Connor Donahue**/Prep continues to help with our recycling – thank you! Thanks to three members from Symphony helped Dr. D set-up chairs and stands – **Jesse Clevenger**/Sym, **Nathan Peppery**/Sym, **Ian Daugherty**/Sym. Thanks to our parents who put our students at ease as they recorded their seating auditions. **Shirley Xie** (Katherine/Cad), **Steve Stenzel** (Rachel/Conc), **Sandy Jasso** (Venessa Scianna/Con), Thank you to **Tammy Lathan** (Megan/Sym) for coordinating our recording volunteers. Thank you **Pam Brockman** (Antonio Cevallos/Alum) for translating a letter into Spanish

Thank you **Hannah Andreasen**/Sym/Chorale, **Mary Baukert** (Hannah/Conc), & **Tonya Hussey** (Charles/VR), for their administrative help. Thank you **Lali Watt** (Rian/Sym, Dale/Con & Liah/Prep/Con/VR) for coordinating our season ticket orders and **Brenda Smail** (Megan Letkema/Prep) for entering the ticket information onto a spreadsheet.

We had lots of help with our mailings this month, thanks to **Joyce Jeon**/Concert, **Rosetta Metz** (Marilyn/Cad), **Henry Zhou** (Nan/Cad), **Lilly Zhang** (Laura Gu/Cad), **Dave Kalensky & Nuala**/Read (Fiona/Cadet), **Christel Schmidt & Christian**/Sym, **Ellen Distelheim** (Isabel Tannenbaum/Read), **Kristi Licocci** (Kyle/BigB), **Carolyn & Matthew Pugliese** (Lauren/Cadet), **Jan Quigley** (Kristin/Sym), **Jeanne & Allison Jurasek** (Courtney/Prep), **Jenny Joyce** (Max/Cad), **Yul Li** (Richard/Prep/Conc), **Nancy Sauer** (Matthew/Cad), **Jody Simmons** (Marissa/Con/Chorale), **Cynthia Blumberg** (Edwyn Bakke/Read, Rowena/Read, Torin/Cad, & Ari/Prep).

Liz Leman (Jason/Con & Abby/Cad) continues to set up concessions every Saturday morning, and we are very grateful! Thank you to all who helped with concessions in September. **Amitava Das** (Arighno/Prep), **Karen Chiodo** (Kathryn/Prep & Anthony/Sym), **Ina Winston** (Tamara/Conc), **Susan Affinitio** (Paige/Conc), **Betsy Jacobsen** (Lauren/Read), **Virginia Ruggeri** (Mike/Sym), **Joy Piao** (Chris Gao/Con), **Jody Simmons** (Marissa/Con/Chorale), **Diane Thoms** (Johnny/Conc & Billy/Sym), **Julia DeMaria** (Avery/Con), **Steve Yadanza** (Emily/Prep), **Marcia Rovani** (Christine/Sym/Chorale), **Cheri Stewart** (Sam/Sym), **Claudia Nauman** (Phillip/Read), **Joyce Allen** (Stephanie/Sym), **Lynn Clafford** (Stephanie/Sym/WindS & Julia/Conc), **Tom & Donna Chmielinski** (Daniel/Sym/JazzO & Rachel/Prep), **Mary & Steve Cavanaugh** (Maddie/VR),

Thank you to all our bakers, **Jan Beugger** (Erin/Cad), **Patti Brand** (Cordelia/Conc), **Colleen Baldwin** (Garrett/Conc), **Diane Thoms** (Johnny/Conc & Billy/Sym), **Lisa Ramsey** (Greta/Prep, Soren/Con & Lydia/Sym), for bringing in yummy, fattening treats!

Thank you to all who attended our New Parent Meetings, especially those who helped welcome everyone, **Joy Piao** (Chris Gao/Conc), **Pam Owens Harmon** (Aryn/Cad/VR & Ellyn/Read), **Gayle Gottfried** (Gabrielle/Prep), **Cathy Popp** (Zach/Sym), **Kathy Pappas** (Ian/Conc), **Tina Johnson** (Nina/Sym & Stephen/Prep), **Derek & Patti Brand** (Cordelia/Conc), (Cordelia/Conc), **Kelly Klein** (Jordan/JazzE), **Midori O'Connell** (Ev/Sym), **Bettina Swanson** (Harrison/Prep), **Melanie Turenne** (Marc/Cad & Madeleine/VR). Thanks to the parents who helped set up and taken down up the tent and chairs: **Dave Kalensky** (Nuala/Read & Fiona/Cadet), **Mark Harmon** (Aryn/Cad/VR & Ellyn/Read), **Dave Beugger** (Erin/Cad), Thanks to **Melanie Turenne** (Marc/Cad & Madeleine/VR) who set up the phone tree and communicated with the Cadet Orchestra. Thank you **Natalie Jacobsen**(Jessica/Chorale) for helping with Adopt a School.

Thank you to all the families who helped with Photo Day. **Liz Leman**(Jason/Conc & Abby/Cad) Masterfully coordinated it so that all would run smoothly. **Patti Brand** (Cordelia/Conc), **Mary Ellen Moncada** (Katie/Conc), **Mison Park** (Sam/Prep), and **Mary Stauber** (Meridith/Conc) assisted through out the weekend.

Thank you to **Tanya Hussey** (Charles/VR), **Brenda Smail**, (Megan Letkeman/ Prep), and **Lali Watt** (Rian/Sym, Dale/Conc, Liah/VR,/Conc&Prep) for completing Phase I of the Season Ticket Orders.

Please be sure and sign the volunteer log in the office or online (<http://www.mya.org/support/volunteer.php>) after you volunteer.

There is a **Parent Volunteer Organization (PVO) meeting** in the Lobby on Sunday, October 5th at 5:30 – all are welcome to attend.

Volunteer Positions Still Needed!

Concessions Volunteer Coordinator – We are in need of help with concession volunteers. We are looking for someone to manage the already created lists of volunteers, sending out weekly email reminders to those who are scheduled to volunteer, and keeping the office informed of volunteer changes. This can mostly be done from home, through email and phone calls.

Soiree Hostess, September 28, October 12, 19, November 16, December 5, 14

Ensemble Liaison – helps to keep the members of respective ensembles informed
Choristers

Honors Wind Ensemble

Concessions Coordinator for Pick Staiger Concerts

Truck Loading/Unloading Supervisor

Adopt a School - You should have received information through email if you signed up to Adopt a School. Every music teacher gets two complementary tickets to each concert. Please give them a Season Brochure and a teacher ticket order. We will have extra forms in the entry area. If you did not receive that email, please contact Gena

Forms - Auction Donation, Spiritwear, Adopt a School, etc, may be found in the entry way of the back door by the newsletter, and are downloadable from the Members page of the MYA website.

Please be sure and sign the volunteer log in the office or online (www.mya.org/support/volunteer.php) after you volunteer!

MYA BENEFIT

Auction Cards

We have received our first three MYA Benefit Cards from parents this week. One included a brand new Citizen watch valued at close to \$300 and a wine basket. Another was a donation of miles from United Airlines – we can always use more if anyone has some to spare. The third was an offer to help with the planning of the benefit. This is a fantastic start. Please take the time to fill out the card that you received in the mail this past week. If you need another, we have them in the office.

Benefit Help Needed!

Auction Coordinator – Auction items are beginning to come in and we are looking for someone to coordinator our solicitation efforts. This position does not necessarily involve directly soliciting items, and can be done from home. It requires following up on requests that have been made and watching to make sure we receive the items. For more information please contact Gena (GenaAndreasen@mya.org) or Cathy Popp cdrewspopp@comcast.net.

Raffle Assistant – Our Raffle chair, Elisa Kline, is looking for someone to help her with some of the logistics of the raffle. Please contact Gena or Elisa (elewinkline@comcast.net) for more information.

KUDOS

Kudos to...

♪ **Andy Quinn (Tenor Sax, Big Band)** for being named a National Merit Semifinalist.

♪ **Stella Tu (Cello, Symphony)** for her success in the First Amendment Freedom Contest sponsored by the Chicago Tribune! She received 1st Place in the Art category and 2nd Place in the Essay category!

♪ **Emily Acri (Violin, Symphony), Rian Watt (Violin, Symphony), Hillary Lindwall (Viola, Symphony), and Caitlyn Trevor (Cello, Symphony)** for representing MYA so well at the Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs by performing at their benefit!



MYA SPIRITWEAR ORDER FORM - 2008

Item	Description	Size (circle preference)	Color (circle preference)	Unit Price	# desired	Total \$
Sweatshirt (Adult)	Pullover, hooded, 60/40 blend Kangaroo pouch pockets, w/ screen print of MYA logo in gold	S M L XL XXL* XXXL*	Forest Green Black	\$35 * - add \$5		
Sweatshirt (Youth)	Pullover, hooded, 60/40 blend Kangaroo pouch pockets w/ screen print of MYA logo in gold	M(10-12) L(14-16) XL(18-20)	Forest Green Black	\$30		
T-Shirt (Adult)	90/10 Poly/Cotton blend w/ screen print of MYA logo in gold	S M L XL XXL* XXXL*	Forest Green	\$15 * - add \$5		
T-Shirt (Youth)	90/10 Poly/Cotton blend w/ screen print of MYA logo in gold	M(10-12) L(14-16) XL(18-20)	Forest Green	\$15		
Polo Shirt (Men's)	Polo shirt w/ embroidered MYA logo	S M L XL XXL* XXXL*	Black	\$20 * - add \$5		
Polo Shirt (Ladies)	Polo shirt w/ embroidered MYA logo	XS S M L XL XXL*	Black	\$20 * - add \$5		
Polo Shirt (Youth)	Polo shirt w/ embroidered MYA logo	M(10-12) L(14-16) XL(18-20)	Black	\$20		
Fleece Jacket (Adult)	Unisex, Full-Zip Jacket w/ embroidered MYA logo	S M L XL XXL* XXXL*	Forest Green Black	\$40 * - add \$5		
Fleece Jacket (Youth)	Youth Full-Zip Jacket w/ embroidered MYA logo	M(10-12) L(14-16) XL(18-20)	Forest Green Black	\$?		
Fleece Vest (Adult)	Unisex, Full-Zip Vest w/ embroidered MYA logo	S M L XL XXL* XXXL*	Black	\$35 * - add \$5		
Fleece Vest (Youth)	Youth Full-Zip Vest w/ embroidered MYA logo	M(10-12) L(14-16) XL(18-20)	Black	\$32		
Water bottle	Clear bottle w/ green imprint of MYA Conductor logo in black	20 oz.	Clear	\$10		
Tote Bag	Black microfiber tote, full zipper, 2 end pockets, lg front pocket, with silver silk screen of MYA logo. Great for books & music!	13.5w x 13.5h x 5d	Black	\$20		
Reusable Grocery Sack (large)	Large 'green' sack. No zipper. White bag with the www.wmya.fm logo.		White	\$3		
Reusable Grocery Sack (small)	Small 'green' sack. No zipper. White bag with the www.wmya.fm logo.		White	\$2		
TOTAL # ITEMS & AMOUNT DUE						

Please complete and enclose payment with order by **October 26th, 2008**. Make checks payable to **'Midwest Young Artists'**. Order forms and checks may be mailed to: **MYA, 878 Lyster Road, Highwood, IL 60040.**

Student's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Student's Ensemble (Prep, Big Band, Voices Rising, etc.) _____

Orders will be available for picked up at the MYA Center in Fort Sheridan. Watch the MYA newsletter for distribution information, anticipated to be late November / early December. For order questions, e-mail Heidi Locker-Scheer at hlockerscheer@sbcglobal.net.

Check here if this is a special order for the holidays and student should not know _____

This form can also be found online at <http://www.mya.org/pdfs/spiritorder.pdf>.