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Jazz Combo Concert - FRIDAY

Friday, November 14, 7:00 PM

Jazz Combo Concert

MYA Center at Fort Sheridan

At our October 26th Concert, you had a chance to hear our big jazz ensembles (Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Orchestra and Big Band). Join us on **November 14th** for a more intimate look at our Jazz Program, including performances by all 6 of MYA's jazz combos!

Reminder: Jazz Rehearsals are at Ravinia on Sunday!

Alice Schoenfeld Master Class CANCELLED

The Master Class scheduled for this **Sunday, November 16th at 11:30 AM** with Alice Schoenfeld (Professor Emerita of Violin, USC) has been CANCELLED due to illness. The master class will be rescheduled for a later date, so stay tuned!

Early and New Music Rehearsals - THIS SATURDAY

Early Music Academy and New Music Ensemble began rehearsals last Saturday. Below is the rehearsal schedule for this Saturday. **This schedule affects Symphony members as well.**

- 12:00 - 2:00pm Symphony
- 2:00 - 2:30pm New Music Ensemble
- 2:30 - 3:00pm Early Music Academy

Attention: Symphony Chamber Groups!

As you know, IMEA is this weekend. A lot of groups will not be meeting because most or all of the members of the group are participating in IMEA. All Symphony-level chamber groups will not meet **unless the coach has told you differently!** If not meeting, you are still highly encouraged to get together with the remaining members of your group to rehearse at your designated coaching time.

Shooting Stars: Part 1

Sunday, November 23, 6:00 PM

Shooting Stars: Part 1 (featuring Mathieu Dufour, Principal Flute, Chicago Symphony Orchestra)
Alice Millar Chapel (Northwestern Campus, Evanston, IL)

Come hear performances by MYA's Early Music Academy and New Music Ensemble, featuring Principal Flutist of the CSO, Mathieu Dufour! Ticket prices range from \$10 - \$25, and are available for purchase online (www.mya.org/store/tickets.php) or at the door the day of the concert.

Upcoming Soirees

Join us for inspirational afternoons of chamber music at the MYA Center at Fort Sheridan! **Here are the remaining soirees this semester:**

Sunday, November 16, 2:00 PM - THIS SUNDAY!

Sunday, December 7, 2:00 PM

Sunday, December 14, 2:00 PM

For more information, visit our [Concerts & Events](#) page on the website!

Choristers Saturday Sessions

Choristers, MYA's beginning-level choral group, will be offering a FREE half hour session on **Saturdays** from **9:30-10:00 AM** in the **Kimee (Theory) Room**. We thought this would be a great way to reach our Saturday crowds, as we see many younger kids wandering around waiting for their older siblings in rehearsal. So, if you're around on Saturdays (or not), come give it a try!

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

Please Spread the Word! MYA is currently accepting applicants for Choristers, Chorale, and Honors Wind Symphony. Openings are posted on our website. Current Symphony members do not have to audition for Honors Wind Symphony.

Walgreens National Concerto Competition - Deadline Approaching!

Midwest Young Artists celebrates the 13th year of its annual Walgreens National Concerto Competition, held on **December 28, 29, and 30th** (if necessary)! **Applications must be submitted online absolutely no later than December 1st at 11:59 PM**. For more information, visit:

www.mya.org/forms/competition.php.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Where To Find MYA...

As you might have noticed, MYA is always looking for more ways to get the word out! Whether it's current students, prospective students, or just music lovers in general - we are doing our best to keep everyone up-to-date by keeping with the times, which is why we want you to know where to find us!



YouTube (www.youtube.com)

You can find Midwest Young Artists' YouTube page at www.youtube.com/user/MidwestYoungArtists.

Although we haven't kept this site as up-to-date as WMYA.FM, it is still a great way to spread the word about Midwest Young Artists! BECOME A SUBSCRIBER!

Facebook (www.facebook.com)

"Become a fan" of and add Midwest Young Artists as a friend on Facebook. Just search at the top for "Midwest Young Artists" and you'll find our profile and page. Parents, if you still don't know what Facebook is - ask your kids. **MYA students: We realize that Facebook is probably your #1 form of communication, so please take the time to add us as a friend so we can keep you updated on everything that is going on at MYA!**



WMYA.FM (wmya.fm)

MYA's podcast site! **This is the place to go to download the most recent MYA performances, interviews and more!** Go check it out for yourself, and SUBSCRIBE ASAP!

Myspace (www.myspace.com)

We know Myspace has taken a back seat to Facebook, but it is still one of the best ways for the world to see what kind of music is out there these days. Here is our profile page: www.myspace.com/midwestyoungartists. ADD US AS A FRIEND!

This Week on WMYA.FM!

This week, we're featuring the 2008 MYA Summer Festival Orchestra in their live concert at Millennium Park in downtown Chicago on August 27, 2008. Today's podcast features the wonderfully charming Divertimento by Leonard Bernstein. Enjoy!

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Bard Conservatory Chicago Auditions at MYA!

Saturday, November 29

2:00 - 5:00 PM

MYA Center at Fort Sheridan

Bard is holding their Chicago area auditions at MYA at the end of the month! JUNIORS are welcomed to audition for feedback. To set up an audition, contact **Nathan Madsen** at **(845) 758-7131** or madsen@bard.edu.

Dalniente Performances

Dalniente is one of Chicago's most prestigious new music organizations. Shanna Gutierrez, flutist, is a private teacher for several of our students here at MYA, and Matthew Gemmill is the accompanist for MYA Chorale! We encourage you to check these shows out!

Thursday November 20, 7:30pm

Ganz Hall, Roosevelt University, 430 S. Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL

Flutist Shanna Gutierrez will give the world premiere of Nomi Epstein's work *Trio for flute, cello, piano (2008)* with cellist Benjamin Kulp and pianist Matthew Gemmill. Written for Shanna, *Trio* explores sound and color through a number of slow moving musical textures. (Free to public)

November 30, 3pm

Chicago Cultural Center, Preston Bradley Hall

Ensemble Dalniente All American Music. (Free to public) For more info: www.dalniente.com

VOLUNTEER INFO

Volunteer Opportunities - Contact Gena (genaandreasen@mya.org)

- **Question:** What super-fun event happens every year right at the end of December, where you commingle with friends and families and enjoy the sounds of lovely music while bustling around a crackling fireplace?

Answer: The Walgreens National Concerto Competition right here at the MYA Center! (Of course that's the event you were thinking of, right?)

Every end-of-December, talented young people (perhaps one or two of your own!) perform their talented hearts out at this prestigious event, which is scheduled for December 28-30 this year. It's an amazing event to be a part of, especially if you are competing, but also if you are a volunteer parent or student helping to make this exciting event run with neither hitch nor glitch. Speaking of volunteers, we sure would like you to consider volunteering to help out with the Competition. You can help out for a few short hours or for a whole day, your call. We have all sorts of tasks during the competition that need, um, tasking, so volunteers really are key to making the competition a success, for performers and audience members alike. If you want to join in the fun (c'mon, what else are you doing in December anyway?), or if you are just thinking about it, email Mary Jo Biersteker at mjbierst@comcast.net, tell her of your interest and any date or time preference. Thanks.

- **Soiree Hostess needed for this November 16** as well as December 5& 14. The job entails setting out the baked goods and making it look nice.
- **Driver needed** to occasionally transport two students Saturday morning between MYA and Lake Forest Academy. I have one parent to drive half the time. They need to be here by 10:00.
- **New & Early Music Concert – November 26, 2008** – Alice Millar Chapel, Evanston
 - Ticket sales before concert 5:30 – 1 to 2 people
 - Sell Raffle tickets before and after concert – 1 to 2 people

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

MYA BENEFIT

Save the Date for our ***Starry Night* Benefit on February 28, 2009** at the **Exmoor Country Club** in Highland Park!

Keep the auction items coming! If you need more donation forms, we have them by the back door. If you have any questions about the auction, or would like to help with auction solicitations, please email Carol Killeen - killeenc@comcast.net or Mark Adamczyk - mark@adamczyk.com.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS LISTING

Please let us know about your upcoming concerts, competitions, etc. – email derekhandley@mya.org.

11/13, 7:30pm, Concert Choir/Symphony, Concert Choir/Symphony Concert, New Trier High School, Winnetka

11/13, 7:30pm, Jr/Sr High Bands, Jr./Sr. High Band Festival, Vernon Hills High School, Vernon Hills

11/14, 7:30pm, Chorus, Choral Concert, New Trier High School, Winnetka

11/15, 8:00am-5:00pm, Senior Band/Orchestra/Chorus, IMEA District VII Senior Band/Orchestra/Chorus, IMEA ,

11/16, 7:30pm, Jazz Bands, Fall Jazz Concert, Niles West High School, Skokie

11/18, 7:30pm, Orchestra, Orchestras Concert, New Trier High School, Winnetka

11/20, 7:30pm, Jazz Bands, Jazz Concert , Barrington High School, Barrington

11/20, 7:00pm, Various, Variety Show, Buffalo Grove High School, Buffalo Grove

11/20, 7:30pm, Bands, LHS/JR High Band Festival, Libertyville High School , Libertyville

11/20, 7:00pm, Band and Chorus Concert (combined), Woodlawn Middle School, Long Grove

11/21, 7:00pm, Various, Variety Show, Buffalo Grove High School, Buffalo Grove

11/21, 7:30pm, Chorus, Choir-Opera Revue, New Trier High School, Winnetka

11/22, 8:00am-5:00pm, Jazz Bands, IMEA Junior/Senior Jazz Festival, Barrington High School, Barrington

11/23, 3:30pm, Glenbrook Symphony Orchestra - GBN & GBS, GSO Fall Concert, GBN& GBS High Schools, Northbrook, Glenview

11/25, 7:00pm, Chamber/Choirs, Madrigal Dinner, Mundelein High School, Mundelein

11/27, 8:30am, Band, McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Mundelein High School, Mundelein

12/2 & 12/3 , 7:00pm, Honors Instrumental, Honors Instrumental Recital, Highland Park High School, Highland Park

12/3, 7:30pm, Orchestra, LHS/Jr High Orchestra Festival, Libertyville High School, Libertyville
12/3, 7:30pm, Jazz Bands, Fall Jazz Concert, New Trier High School, Winnetka
12/4, 7:00pm, Band, Winter Band Concert, Mundelein High School, Mundelein
12/6, 7:30pm, Percussion, Percussion Ensemble, Niles West High School, Skokie
12/6, 6:00pm, Chamber Choir, Madrigal Dinner, Vernon Hills High School, Vernon Hills
12/7, 3:00pm, Symphony Orchestra/Band/choir, Winter Concert, Prospect High School, Mt. Prospect
12/8, 7:30pm, Jazz Ensembles, Jazz Concert, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/9, 7:30pm, Band, Band Concert, Barrington High School, Barrington
12/9, 6:00pm, Various, Holiday Music Fest, Libertyville High School, Libertyville
12/9, 7:30pm, Symphony Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra in Concert with Xibus, New Trier High School, Winnetka
12/10, 7:30pm, Various, Holiday Music Fest, Libertyville High School, Libertyville
12/10, 6:30pm, Chorus, Choirs Holiday Concert, Rolling Meadows High School, Rolling Meadows
12/10, 8:00pm, Bands & Orchestras, Band/Orchestra Holiday Concert, Rolling Meadows High School, Rolling Meadows
12/11, 7:30pm, Orchestra, Orchestra concert, Barrington High School, Barrington
12/11, 7:00pm, Bands, Winter Band Concert, Highland Park High School, Highland Park
12/11, 7:30pm, Various, Talent Show, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/11, 7:30pm, Sr. High All Groups, Holiday Music Festival, Vernon Hills High School, Vernon Hills
12/12, During Day, Chamber, Chamber Ensemble Tour, Mundelein High School, Mundelein
12/12, 10:30am, Various, Holiday Community Performance, Niles West High School, Skokie
12/12, 7:30pm, Orchestra & Choirs, Orchestra/Choir Holiday Concert, Niles West High School, Skokie
12/13, 1:00pm & 3:00pm, Band, Choir, Orchestra & More, Christmas Concert, Loyola Academy, Wilmette
12/13, 7:30pm, Orchestra, Orchestra Holiday Concert, Niles North High School, Skokie
12/14, 3:00pm, GBN Strings, Band & Choir, Music Department Holiday Concert, Glenbrook North High School, Northbrook
12/14, 3:00pm, Instrumental Groups, Holiday Concert: Instrumental, Lake Forest High School
12/14, 7:00pm, Chorus, Holiday Concert: Choral Groups, Lake Forest High School
12/14, 1:00pm, Choirs, Holiday Choir, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/14, 4:00pm, Bands, Holiday Bands, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/14, 7:00pm, Orchestra, Holiday Orchestra, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/14, 3:00pm, Band/Orchestra/Chorus, Winter Music Festival, New Trier High School, Winnetka
12/14, 1:00 & 4:00pm, Choirs & Chamber, Madrigal Dinner, Rolling Meadows High School, Rolling Meadows
12/15, 7:00pm, Chorus, Winter Choral Concert, Buffalo Grove High School, Buffalo Grove
12/15, 7:00pm, Chorus & Orchestras, Choral & Chamber Orchestra, Highland Park High School, Highland Park
12/16, 7:30pm, Band, Holiday Band Concert, Libertyville High School, Libertyville
12/17, 7:00pm, Bands, Winter Band Concert, Buffalo Grove High School, Buffalo Grove
12/17 & 12/18, 7:30pm, Choirs, Choir concert, Barrington High School, Barrington
12/18, 7:30pm, Choir, Blue Notes/Bare Voices Concert, Lake Zurich High School, Lake Zurich
12/18, 7:30pm, Choir, Choir Holiday Concert, Niles North High School, Skokie
12/18, 7:30pm, Bands, Bands Holiday Concert, Niles West High School, Skokie
12/18, 7:00pm, Symphony Orchestra/Band/choir, London trip preview Concert, Prospect High School, Mt. Prospect
12/20, 7:30pm, Band, Band Holiday Concert, Niles North High School, Skokie

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Some of the auction items we have already received include: Four rounds of Golf, a Dymo labeler, Sunday Brunch at the Ritz Carlton, theatre tickets, viola lessons, piano lessons...etc. Keep the items coming! If you need more donation forms, we have them by the back door. If you have any questions about the auction, or would like to help with auction solicitations, please email Carol Killeen - killeenc@comcast.net or Mark Adamczyk - mark@adamczyk.com.