



# Tuning Fork

MYA's Weekly News

**Midwest Young Artists**  
inspiration through music

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

## FEATURED NEWS

### Mandatory Symphony Rehearsal!

Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30pm (w/Carrie Dennis)

Symphony members will not be allowed to play the Walton on the concert if they do not attend.

### Pick-Staiger Concerts Schedule

#### Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

2:30-4:30 Concert Rehearsal (NOT Dress)

4:30-7:00 Symphony Dress Rehearsal

7:30 CONCERT (Symphony)

#### Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> (ALL Dress Rehearsals)

9:00-9:45 Jazz Ensemble

9:45-10:30 Jazz Orchestra

10:45-11:45 Wind Symphony

(Sunday cont.)

11:45-12:45 Concert Orchestra

12:45-1:30 Prep Orchestra

1:30-2:00 Cadet Orchestra

2:00-2:30 Reading Orchestra

3:00 CONCERT (Read, Cad, Prep, Con, Wind)

5:30-6:30 Big Band

7:00 CONCERT (ALL Jazz)

**Come support your fellow MYA friends and invite your non-MYA friends!**

Tickets available at box office 1 hour before each concert.

## PROGRAM INFORMATION



There will be **NO Rehearsals** on **May 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>**. Buy your mothers something nice!



**Thinking Summer?**

Attend an MYA Summer Program! Visit: [www.mya.org/summer/](http://www.mya.org/summer/)

## ORCHESTRA

**Reminder: Concert Orchestra rehearsal is at PICK-STAIGER on SATURDAY from 2:30-4:30!**

### Fun Fest Rehearsals

May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> (Regular Times)

See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.

## JAZZ

### Final Jazz Combo Concerts

8pm Combos April 30, 7:00pm @ Gabe's Backstage Lounge

6pm & 7pm Combos May 1, 7:00pm @ MYA

See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.

## CHORAL

### April 26 News

#### Choristers - Regular Rehearsal

Choristers has the opportunity to perform with Voices Rising at our choral concert on Sunday, May 3, as well as the MYA Family Fun and Music Festival on Sunday, May 17. Please let us know by Sunday, April 26 whether or not you will be able to participate in these two performances by e-mailing Rebecca Watts ([rebeccawatts@mya.org](mailto:rebeccawatts@mya.org)).

#### Voices Rising

4:30-6:30pm - Full Group Rehearsal

If you would like to see pictures of Voices Rising's recent trip to Washington, D.C., visit the Voices Rising Tour Blog at [www.myavr.posterous.com](http://www.myavr.posterous.com).

#### Vocal Chamber Music

Sunday, April 26 - 5:30 p.m. - Vocal Chamber Ensembles Workshop Recital

MYA's new vocal chamber music program will perform a recital at the MYA Center on Sunday. Admission is free. Be sure to invite your friends and family!

**Students:** The dress code for the recital is all black. All music should be in a black binder (with the exception of the musical theatre music, which should be memorized). Dress rehearsal times are posted on the on-line MYA Calendar.

#### Chorale - Regular Rehearsal

## May 3<sup>rd</sup> Concert Schedule

Dress Rehearsals at North Suburban Evangelical Church (200 Lake Cook Rd, Deerfield, IL 60015)

- 1:15-2:00 Voices Rising
- 2:00-2:20 Spotlight soloists soundcheck
- 2:20-2:50 Chorale
- 2:50-3:20 Chorale, Instrumentalists, and Voices Rising rehearse "Homeland"
- 3:20-3:30 Choristers and Voices Rising rehearse together
- 4:00 CONCERT - Rebecca Watts will be selling tickets to this concert on **Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**!

## Fun Fest Rehearsals

Voices Rising - May 17<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm (as well as an Awards Presentation!)

See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.

## CHAMBER

**Reminder: NO Chamber Rehearsals this SATURDAY!**

### Remaining Musicales

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 and 2:00pm - Soirees (Coaches: please fill out a sign-up form)

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm - Woodwind Extravaganza! (Ms. Bendorf Frisch's chamber groups)

Did you know that your chamber group can perform at the **May 17<sup>th</sup> MYA Family Music & Fun Fest!**  
Please contact Carol Mavrakis ([carolmavrakis@mya.org](mailto:carolmavrakis@mya.org)) if you want to perform! See FUN FEST section.

## HONORS WIND SYMPHONY

### Fun Fest Rehearsals

Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00pm AND Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00pm w/ Dr. Dennis!

See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.

## THEORY

**ONLY Reading, Cadet and Prep Orchestra classes this SATURDAY! (April 25<sup>th</sup>)**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### This Week on

We're featuring a performance of the "Unfinished" Symphony by Franz Schubert on this week's WMYA episode. This was recorded live by Ed Ingold at Pick-Staiger Auditorium on February 22, 2009. Enjoy!

### Auditions at MYA!

Encourage your friends to sign up immediately and audition by end of April or early-May. Late applicants may audition for unfilled or waitlist positions in July or August. Our Audition webpage <http://www.mya.org/audition/> has complete information.

## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

**Volunteer Opportunities** - Please contact Gena if you can help out! ([genaandreasen@mya.org](mailto:genaandreasen@mya.org))

- **Spring Concerts** (April 25, 26 & May 3) - Please contact [genaandreasen@mya.org](mailto:genaandreasen@mya.org)
  - Ticket Sales
    - April 26 - 2:00 to 3:00
    - May 3 - 3:00 to 4:00
  - Concessions, and Fun Fest ticket sales
    - April 25 - 6:30 to 7:30 (intermissions for concessions and Fun Fest tickets)
    - April 26 - 2:00 to 3:00 and 5:00 to 6:00 (intermissions for concessions)
    - May 3 - 3:00 to 4:00 (intermissions for concessions)
  - Bakers needed for May 3 Choral Concert
- **MYA Fun Fest** - Please contact Gena for first dibs volunteering on May 17
  - Carnival type performers. Please reveal your hidden talents to MYA
    - **Palm Readers, Tarot Cards, Jugglers, Magicians, Balloon tying**
  - Auction Set up
  - Traffic/parking attendants
  - Games attendants
  - Stage hands
  - Building attendants
  - Bakers
  - Clean up

Please be sure to fill out the volunteer log on line <http://mya.org/support/volunteer.php> or on the clipboard in the office.

**Wish List** (Miniature Young Artists)

- Drums
- Gym mats
- Children's books - preferably pertaining to music
- Puppets

**F U N F E S T**

**MYA Family Fun & Music Festival • Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-7:00pm at the MYA Center!**

**OUTSIDE FRONT TENT**

12:00-12:15pm	Chamber/Jazz
12:15-12:30pm	MYA Viola Class Performance
12:30-12:45pm	Reading/Cadet Orchestras
1:00-1:30pm	Prep Orchestra
1:45-2:15pm	Chorale (also outside back 2:30-2:45)
2:30-3:00pm	Jazz Orchestra
3:15-3:45pm	Concert Orchestra (Lincoln Portrait, Welz Kauffman)
4:00-4:20pm	Honors Wind Symphony
4:30-5:00pm	Jazz Ensemble
5:15-6:00pm	Symphony Orchestra
6:15-7:00pm	Big Band

**NORTH REHEARSAL HALL**

12:00-12:25pm	MYA Cello Class Performance
12:30-1:45pm	MYA Percussion Ensemble Recital
2:00-2:15pm	Early/New Music
2:30-3:20pm	MYA Chamber Music Soiree (4-6 groups)
4:00-4:10pm	Choristers (with VR)
4:10-4:40pm	Voices Rising (also outside back 4:45-5:00pm)
5:40-6:40pm	MYA Chamber Music Soiree (4-6 groups)

**PHOTO CONTEST!**

Submit your best photos to the first annual MYA Photo Contest by **May 10<sup>th</sup>**. Entries will be judged by Diane Hamilton Photography. Prizes!

**Needs**

- **Portable Generators:** We anticipate the need for a few generators for our games and food. Please let us know if you have one we can borrow or know where we can get one.
- **Traffic signs, etc.:** We need traffic cones, vests and stop signs for crossing streets. Does anyone know where we can borrow these items?
- **Sandwich Board signs**

**UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS LISTING**

DATE	TIME	CONCERT TYPE	CONCERT	SCHOOL
4/24/09	7:00pm	Jazz Bands	Jazz and Swing Night	Highland Park High School
4/29/09	6:30pm		Loyola Spring Music Festival	Loyola Academy
4/30/09	7:30pm	Wind Ensembles/Choir	Wind Ensembles/Choir Concert	New Trier High School
5/3/09	3:00pm	Bands	Spring Band Concert	Highland Park High School (at CBG)
5/6/09	3:30pm	Choral	Honors Voice Recital	Highland Park High School
5/9/09	5:00pm	Jazz Bands	Evening of Jazz	Mundelein High School
5/12/09	7:30pm	Orchestra & Band Concert	Orchestra & Band Concert	Glenbrook North High School
5/14/09	7:30pm	Orchestra & Choir	Orchestra & Master Singers Concert	Glenbrook South High School
5/19/09	7:00pm	Chamber Orchestra	Honors Night	Highland Park High School
5/19/09		Bands	Band Concert	Loyola Academy
5/19/09	7:30pm	Symphony Orchestra	Spring Concert	Prospect High School
5/19/09	8:00pm	Choir	Choir Cabaret Concert	Vernon Hills High School
5/20/09	7:00pm	Orchestras	Orchestra Spring Concert	Highland Park High School
5/21/09	8:00pm	Sr. High Band	Spring Band Concert	Vernon Hills High School
5/22/09	7:30pm		Spring Music Festival	New Trier High School
5/27/09	7:30pm	Sr. High Orchestra	Spring Orchestra Concert	Vernon Hills High School

**KUDOS & B-DAYS!**

**Kudos to...**

♪ **Lauren Williams** (oboe, Symphony) for being selected to perform on WFMT 98.7's *Introductions* program, which features Chicago's best pre-college classical musicians. Tune in on **SATURDAY, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am!**

♪ **Stella Tu** (cello, Symphony) for winning the National Gold Medal Award from the 2009 National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. Her essay, "My Father's Greatest Journey" was chosen out of 140,000 submissions!

**Birthdays!**

- 4/25, Haley Kaplan, violin, Concert
- 4/26, Stephanie Allen, viola, Symphony, Dennis, Mandy Sat 10 a.m.
- 4/26, Shelby Liu, violin, Reading
- 4/27, Ashley Ruff, flute, Honors Wind Symphony
- 4/27, Jessie Bond, violin, Prep
- 4/28, Scott Greene, clarinet, Prep
- 4/29, Allison Millsaps, viola, Symphony, Pikler Sat 10 a.m., Dennis, Mandy Sat 3 p.m.
- 4/29, Parul Koul, violin, Symphony
- 4/29, Marissa Simmons, violin, Concert, Chorale, Shaffer Sat 9 a.m., Nelson Vocal Chamber
- 4/29, Ryan Hultman, voice, Voices Rising

**Notable Musician Birthdays:**

- 4/25, Ella Fitzgerald (1918-1998)
- 4/28, Zubin Mehta (b.1936)
- 4/29, Duke Ellington (1899-1974)