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MYA's Weekly News

Midwest Young Artists  
inspiration through music

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Building a Home  
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### MYA Concert Review

Music critic Michael Cameron wrote a great review of MYA's April 25 concert! You can read it here: <http://chicagoclassicalmusic.com/BackStage>

### Sunday Soirees

Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. – MYA Center

Please join us for the final Sunday Soirees of the year!

### Star Dance Choral Concert Schedule

Featuring Chorale, Voices Rising and Choristers

North Suburban Evangelical Church, 200 Lake Cook Rd., Deerfield

**Sunday, May 3.** (Dress Rehearsals)

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

4:00 CONCERT

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

Tickets available at box office 1 hour before the concert.

### Woodwind Extravaganza!

Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. – MYA Center

A free concert featuring MYA's talented woodwind players (with special guests French horn and double bass!) and Naomi Bendorf Frisch in her MYA conducting debut! MYA students will perform Strauss, Mozart, Janacek, P.D.Q. Bach and more!

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

There will be **NO Rehearsals** on May 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>, except Philharmonia!

**10 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Philharmonia sectionals**

**11 a.m. - noon: Philharmonia rehearsal**

*Thinking Summer?*

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

## ORCHESTRA

### Download Fun Fest Music!

Music is available for download NOW for Concert and Symphony Orchestra at <http://www.mya.org/members/ensembles>.

#### Concert:

Sousa – *King Cotton March*

Copland – *Lincoln Portrait*

Strauss, Sr. – *Radetzky March*

#### Symphony:

Sousa – *Washington Post March*

Tchaikovsky – *Romeo and Juliet Overture*

Weber – *Der Freischutz*

### Fun Fest Rehearsals

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

Fun Fest Performance Times on Sunday, May 17:

Reading/Cadet Orchestras: 12:30-12:45 p.m.

Prep Orchestra: 1:00-1:30 p.m.

Concert Orchestra: 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Symphony Orchestra: 5:15-6:00 p.m.

**MYA Instrument Classes Will Perform at the Family Fun Fest!**

**CELLO CLASS**

May 2: 8-9:45 a.m.

May 16: 8-9:45 a.m.

May 17 Performance: 12:00-12:25 p.m.

**BASS CLASS**

May 2: 8-9:45 a.m.

May 16: 8-9:45 a.m.

May 17 Performance: 1:45-2:00 p.m.

**VIOLA CLASS**

May 16: 8-9:45 a.m.

May 17 Performance: 12:15-12:30 p.m.

**JAZZ**

Sunday rehearsals are over for the year! On Tuesday, May 5, and Tuesday, May 12, rehearsals will be held at the MYA Center.

**Schedule for Tuesday, May 5 and Tuesday, May 12**

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Orchestra combined rehearsal

8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Big Band rehearsal

The final jazz performance of the year will be at our Fun Fest on Sunday, May 17.

**Fun Fest Performance Times on Sunday, May 17:**

Jazz Orchestra: 2:30-3:00

Big Band: 6:15-7:00

Jazz Ensemble: 4:30-5:00

**CHORAL**

**Star Dance Concert**

Featuring Chorale, Voices Rising and Choristers

Sunday, May 3 at 4 p.m.

North Suburban Evangelical Church, 200 Lake Cook Rd., Deerfield

**Voices Rising**

Remember to wear your MYA black polo with black pants and shoes to our concert on May 3, and bring your America Sings! t-shirt (or other red t-shirt) and your colored Voices Rising shirt.

Our Voices Rising CDs have been scheduled for shipment and should arrive in time for everyone to pick up at Sunday's concert the CDs the pre-ordered! Please bring your check made out to Midwest Young Artists for your total amount (\$5 per CD).

**Fun Fest Rehearsals**

Voices Rising will meet in the South Rehearsal Hall (our normal rehearsal space) at 3:30 pm on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, for an awards presentation and short rehearsal in preparation for our indoor performance (4-4:30 pm) and our outdoor performance (4:45-5:00 pm). Plan on wearing your MYA colored t-shirts and bottoms of your choice...it'll be so much fun!!

*See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.*

**CHAMBER**

**Remaining Soirees**

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 and 2:00pm - Soirees (See programs posted on Saturday for your ensemble's time. You are expected to stay the whole hour and listen to others!)

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!

If you cannot play for the Fun Fest, e-mail Will Biby ([willbiby@mya.org](mailto:willbiby@mya.org)) immediately.

*See FUN FEST section for Fun Fest performance times.*

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**THEORY**


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Theory classes are over for the year!

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**


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*This Week on*  *podcasts*

We're featuring a performance of *The Moldau* by Bedrich Smetana on this week's WMYA episode. This was recorded live by Ed Ingold at Pick-Staiger Auditorium on February 22, 2009. Enjoy!

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### *Auditions at MYA!*

Encourage your friends to sign up immediately and audition. The first round of auditions will be completed by mid-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.

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**VOLUNTEER INFORMATION**


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**Volunteer Needs** Please contact Gena if you are able to help with any of the following – [genaandreasen@mya.org](mailto:genaandreasen@mya.org).

- **Spring Concerts** May 3 – contact [genaandreasen@mya.org](mailto:genaandreasen@mya.org)
  - Bakers needed for May 3 Choral Concert
  - Ticket Sales 3:00 -4:00
  - 2 Ushers 3:15 – 4:00
- **Help price our MYA mall items -**
  - If you would like to get up close and personal with everything we are selling at the MYA Mall (at Fun Fest), this is the job for you. We are looking for people to help us come up with buy it now prices. This is flexible time commitment. Let Gena know when you are available.
- **MYA Fun Fest – Please sign up to work an hour or two on May 17** [genaandreasen@mya.org](mailto:genaandreasen@mya.org)
  - If you are unable to help the day of the Fun Fest, please consider sponsoring a game for \$100, or donating prizes for the games.
    - **Games:** We have 18 games that we need to staff from 12:00 to 7:00
    - **MYA Mall:** We have the MYA Mall to set up and staff
    - **Traffic and Safety**
    - **Stage Hands:** Help out back stage
    - **Bakers:** For cake walk
    - **Clean up**
    - **Carnival performers.** Reveal your hidden talents to MYA!
      - Palm Readers
      - Tarot Cards
      - Balloon tying

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

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### *Thank You's*

Thanks to all those who helped chaperone our concerts. **JoAnne Trimpe** (Jack/Voices Rising), **Ken Michaels**(Kayla/Prep), **Ellen Distelheim**(Isabel Tannenbaum/Cadet), **Nicole Carson**(Ellory Longdon/Cadet), **Shirley Xie**(Katherine/Cadet), **Amy Mintz**(Talia/Cadet), **Bill Cao**(Henry/Prep), **Mary Anne Donahue**(Conor/prep, Mary Rose/Cadet/Prep, Grace/Read, and Kevin/Reading), **Claudia Nauman**(Phillip/Read). **Linda Huse** (Caroline/Orchestra), **EunJung (Jessica) Lee** (Prep), **Allison Milligan** (Prep and Voices Rising), **Kathryn Chiodo** (Prep), **Carol Mavrakis** (Theodore/Concert), **Emily Bartusiak** (Prep) helped stuff programs.

Thank you to all our bakers, both for our weekly concessions and our Concerts. **Michelle Leuchtner** (Sophie/Reading), **Marguerite Krieg** (Nicholas/Prep), **Kirsten Michelotti** (Camille/Concert and Honors Wind Symphony), **Mary Stauber** (Meridith/Concert, Honors Wind Symphony and Chorale), **Julie Bond** (Jessica/Prep), **Mary Jane Mangan** (James/Percussion Ensemble), **Melanie Archer** (Alan Cohen/Jazz Ensemble), **Pam Potash** (Olivia/Cadet), **Diane Thoms** (Billy/Symphony and Johnny/Concert), **Cynthia Hines** (Emily/Concert), **Susan Ratzler** (Rebecca/Cadet), **Paul Pugliese** (Lauren/Cadet), **Lisa Ramsey** (Lydia/Symphony, Soren/Concert, and Greta/Prep), **Maki Wiering** (Stella/Chorale and Anatole/Cadet), **Judy Bundra** (Sarah/Prep), **Kara Benson** (Paris Benson-Perez/Cadet), **Reid Wellensiek** (Peter Sparks/Reading), **Alice George**(Sally Decker/JazzC), **Andrea Mills**(Alex/JazzE), **David Christiansen**(Abigail/Sym), **Kalli Angel**/Sym, **Laura Running**(Kathryn/Sym & Kristin/Conc), **Tammy Shoau**(Brian Chang/Chamber), **Linda Huse**(Carrie/Conc), **Mary and Tim Moscinski**(Tom/JazzE), **Caryn Summer**(David/BBand), **Melanie Archer**(Alan Cohen/JazzE), **Mimi Ritchi**(Rebecca/JazzO), **Rae Kyriazis**(Will/JazzO), **Marcia Rovani**(Christine/Sym/Chor), **Pamela Kuzniar**(Kate Izvanari/Sym), **Lynn Miller**(Erica/Sym).

Thank you to those who sold concessions during rehearsals and our concerts. **Alain Turenne** (Marc/Cadet, Madeleine/Voices Rising), **Jon and Robin Mandell** (Noah/Jazz Orchestra), **William Cao** (Henry/Prep), **Liz Leman** (Jason/Concert and Abby/Cadet), **Yuelin Dai** (Michael Brown/Concert), **Erwin Padawang** (Kaylyn/Cadet), **Pam Potash** (Olivia/Cadet), **Janet Balzer** (Sarah/Symphony), **Kristi Gardner** (Jen/Symphony), **Stu Lubor** (Brienne/Concert and Sam/Prep), **Nancy Clarke** (Natalie/Cadet), **David Beugger** (Erin/Cadet), **Meredith and Tina Johnson** (Nina/Symphony and Stephen/Prep), **JoAnne Trimpe** (Jack/Voices Rising), **Maki Wiering** (Stella/Chorale and Anatole/Cadet), **Brenda Smail** (Megan Letkeman/Prep), **Reid Wellensiek** (Peter Sparks/Reading),

Thank you **Seong Ha and YunKyung Lee** (EunJung (Jessica)/Prep), **Dianne Diefenderfer** (Ryan/Big Band), **Joan Garner** (Callie/Prep), **Gail Schechter** (William Sheppard/Jazz Ensemble), **John Rau** (Michael/Chamber Music), **Kristi Licocci** (Kyle/Jazz Combo and Big Ban), **Jimin Yun** (Michelle/Cadet), **Dariusz Lada** (Kamila/Cadet), **Lizzy Jordan** (Concert), **Yu Li** (Richard/Prep and Concert), **Tom and Mary Hillstrom** (George/Symphony), **Sara Chung** (Alura Chung-Mehdi/Cadet), Alura Chung-Mehdi (Cadet), **Joyce Stenzel** (Rachel/Concert), **Jackie Lutz** (Lydia/Cadet), **Henry Zhou** (Nan/Cadet), **Aleksandra Spalek** (Samantha/Concert and Honors Wind Symphony), **Hyunju Lee** (Monet/Prep and Concert), **Joung Cho** (Jane Lee/Cadet), **Qing Ruan** (Yang/Concert), **Joan and Joe Baginski** (Nicholas/Cadet), **Nan Martin** (Peter/Jazz Orchestra and Combo), **Elisabeth Hodson** (Maria/Reading), **Tracy Chung** (Eric/Concert), **Diane Tang** (Mariel/Voices Rising), **Kathy McHugh** (Tommy/Cadet), **Rosann Park-Jones** (Carrie/Concert, Rachel/Voices Rising, and Emily/Concert), **Meredith Haynes** (Robert/Prep), **Christina Shi** (Michael Song/Concert), **Christine Esler** (Catey/Chamber and Chorale), **Joe Lombard** (Aidan/Jazz Ensemble), **Lynn and Richard Blessing** (Alex/Symphony) for helping with our massive super newsletter mailing!

Thank you to those who sold Fun Fest Tickets at our concerts at Pick Staiger. **Pam Owens Harmon** (Aryn/Cadet and Voices Rising and Ellyn/Reading), **Karen Chiodo** (Anthony/Symphony and Kathryn/Prep), **Terre Berg** (Tom/Big Band)

Thank you to those who attended the PVO Meeting and helped plan for the Fun Fest. **Don Tunkl** (Aliza/Alum), **Mary Anne Donahue** (Conor/prep, Mary Rose/Cadet/Prep, Grace/Read, and Kevin/Reading), **Meredith Haynes** (Robert/Prep), **Pam Owens Harmon** (Aryn/Cadet and Voices Rising and Ellyn/Reading), **Lisa Peterman** (Andy/Jazz Orchestra), **Ian Watt** (Rian/Symphony, Dale/Concert, and Liah/Concert,Voices Rising and Honors Wind Symphony), **Bettina Swanson** (Harrison/Prep), **Midori O'Connell** (Evelyn/Symphony), **Gayle Gottfried** (Gabrielle/Prep), **Cathy Popp** (Zach/Symphony), **Carol Mavrakis** (Theodore/Concert),

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**Lali Watt** (Rian/Symphony, Dale/Concert, and Liah/Concert,Voices Rising and Honors WSymphony), **Reid Wellensiek** (Peter Sparks/Reading), **Wendy and Ron Tumminello** (Darius/Jazz Orchestra and Combo), **Donna Schardt**(Alyssa/Alum), **Peili Chim**(Letitia/Sym), and **Cynthia Funai**(Heather/Sym)

**Conor Donahue** (Prep), thank you for recycling our office paper all year long. The whole planet thanks you!

Thank you **Midori O'Connell** (Evelyn/Symphony) for distributing information for our adopt a school program

Thank you **Susan Ratzler** (Rebecca/Cadet) for picking up our Lake Forest Academy students and driving them to MYA all year long.

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

## FUN FEST

**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  
 1:45-2:00pm MYA Bass Class Performance  
 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)

### FUN FEST TICKETS

We will be selling **discounted** tickets on Saturday in the Lobby and Sunday at the Choral Concert

- **25 Tickets for \$20**

- The tickets are good toward the purchase of food, games, and lucky draw prizes

### FUN FEST 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.

**Grand Prize:** \$500 gift card to Diane Hamilton Photography, 10 Tickets for the MYA Fun Fest

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** 8" SONY Digital Picture Frame, 5 tickets for the MYA Fun Fest

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** 6 tickets to MYA Holiday Concert at Harris Theater

**People's Choice:** \$50 gift certificate to Giordano's

All four winning photos will be printed in the 2009-2010 season program book!

### 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
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...*

♪ **Trio Coterie** (**Brian Chang**, piano; **Kevin Hu**, violin; **Stanley Moore**, cello) will compete at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Fischhoff Competition May 8-10 at the University of Notre Dame.

♪ **Schlagwerk 4** (**Michael Garrett**, **Ryan Logan**, **Benjamin Paulson**, and **Christian Schmidt**, percussion) will perform with Northwestern's award-winning percussion ensemble at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, at Pick-Staiger Hall in Evanston.