JUNEAU SYMPHONY CLEF NOTES

The Newsletter for Juneau Symphony Musicians

Dear Musicians,

Happy summer everyone! We hope you have been able to enjoy days of near endless light and all the indoor and outdoor opportunities the season brings. After a great "Oscar-worthy" finale to the 59th season, we look towards our "Epic" 60th season under the baton of Dr. Koch. In this issue of Clef Notes we preview the season, upcoming special events, provide information you need to know, and more. We look forward to celebrating 60 years and making beautiful music together!







And terrific audience feedback too!



Dr. Koch and the Board have announced the following programs for the 60th season:

October 22 & 23, 2022 - Stories [rehearsals start Oct. 6]

Sibelius - Finlandia John Psathas - Omnifenix Rimsky-Korsakov - Scheherezade

December 10 & 11, 2022 - Holiday Cheer [rehearsals start Nov. 29]

Juneau Symphony, Sitka Fine Arts Camp Holiday Brass, Vox Borealis Various holiday favorites for orchestra first half/brass collaboration second half

January 28 & 29, 2023 - Transformations [rehearsals start Jan. 12]

Rimsky-Korsakov – Dance of the Tumblers from The Snow Maiden Strauss - Death and Transfiguration Beethoven - Sixth Symphony

April 1 & 2, 2023 – Summits [rehearsals start Mar. 16]

Higdon - Teton Range Hindemith - Symphonic Metamorphosis Dvorak - Cello Concerto 60th Merch <u>HERE</u>

June 3 & 4 - Showdowns [rehearsals start May 23]

Music from Lord of the Rings, Carmina Burana, West Side Story, the Mozart Requiem, Batman, Star Trek, Superman, and more

Commit to the Season Now

Now is the time to commit to the 60th season! Review your calendars, the COVID policy (below), and make your availability known by completing this <u>short survey</u>. Responses due **July 29**.

Music Already Available

Go to the Member Musicians
website page and click on
Parts under Resources from
Dr. Koch. All music will be
available online August 15,
and hard copies will be ready
by September 1.

Board Policy Updates

COVID: The Board recently adopted the following revised COVID policy:

"To be eligible to play in a Juneau Symphony concert, either mainstage or special event, a musician must show proof of vaccination, including the most recent booster the musician is medically eligible to receive, or have a note from a medical doctor or other medical expert. For the 2022-23 season this policy applies for each concert cycle of the season. If a musician becomes eligible for an additional booster during the season, the musician is expected to receive that booster and show proof. This policy is subject to change, depending on local and national circumstances related to the pandemic."

Musician Membership: At their June meeting, the Board passed a motion about musician membership. Member musicians have been defined as any player who has played in two or more concert cycles over the previous 24 months. With the current change, the Board has effectively "reset the clock" to make membership as inclusive as possible given the disruptions of the pandemic. The change accomplishes two things: 1) it holds musicians harmless if they did not perform since January 2020, and 2) it expands musician membership to include any current or new players who performed in a virtual concert or live performance during the 20-21 and 21-22 seasons:

"All players who were members at the January 2020 concert will remain members through June 2022. In addition, anyone who has played in the Juneau Symphony sponsored virtual events or live Juneau Symphony concerts, will be given credit toward membership for those concerts."

Thanks to all member musicians who commented on the the Player Relations and Development Committee (PRDC) revised DRAFT handbook. Comments were integrated and the Board will review the DRAFT at their August 10 meeting.

The Symphony is updating records and getting all of our customer and musician information in one place!!

We need all musicians to update their information on TicketSearch.







Sue Kazama

How long have you played with the Juneau Symphony?

Over 40 years. I'm not sure when my first concert was but it was early in Mel Flood's time as conductor.

How long have you been playing your instrument, and why did you pick that one?

I've been playing piano for 65 years after playing around on my grandfather's piano when I was very young. I played many other instruments through the years but always came back to the piano as the very best one!

What was your most formative musical experience?

I had a wonderful summer when I was 15 at a music camp in Victoria, B.C. That's when I got serious about practicing and performing. I was exposed to other serious musicians and inspired to work hard.

When you aren't playing your instrument, how do you spend your time? I like to travel, spend time outdoors, and swim at the beach in Hawaii, where I spend quite a bit of time!

What is the one thing you want people to know about you?

God has given me a wonderful gift, plus the love of playing with others. I always hope that I will help the ones I play with sound better than they would without me!!

60th Anniversary: Let the celebration begin!

Don't miss out on these fun opportunities and events:

- August 1 deadline to <u>order</u> free member musician t-shirt
- August 29 deadline to <u>purchase</u> logo merchandise
- September 2, 4-7 PM 60th Club Launch Party @ Annie Kaill's
- October 15 Roaring 20's Anniversary Gala









YOUTH CORNER





PRELUDE ORCHESTRA MUSIC DIRECTOR FRANZ FELKL The **Prelude Orchestra** is taking a summer break and looks forward to their new season beginning in September.

This year's **String Camp** has 40
enrollees. The camp
runs August 1-5 at
Eaglecrest. JS
musicians are invited
to drop by any time to
listen in and
encourage the kids.



Thank you, music educators!

Juneau String Ensembles' flagship orchestra Aurora Strings recently returned from an incredible week in New York City as part of the Sounds of Summer International Music Festival. JSE board members, musicians, and families send their sincere appreciation to the Juneau Symphony's PRDC for financially supporting this trip. They also thank all the JS players who provided support and helped make the trip a success for our young Juneau musicians. Aurora Strings players gained new skills and a deeper appreciation for ensemble playing. Expect more of these musicians to be ready to join the symphony in coming years!







Thank you, Taylor!

Taylor Young has taken a new job at University of Alaska Southeast. She has served as Director of Operations the past 4.5 years, helping steer us through the challenges of staff transitions, the pandemic, zoom events and meetings, and ably keeping things running behind the scenes. Her creativity, approachability, and responsiveness will be missed. Thank you for all your contributions, Taylor!

Applications for the parttime <u>Ops Assistant</u> job are due August 1!





Congratulations to our newest Lifetime Members, Sharon Barton and Alison Browne!





...for your many hours of service. We'll see you at the Symphony!

Player Relations and Development Committee Funding Availability

The Board has provided the PRDC with a new infusion of funds to support player development opportunities. If you are interested in applying for these funds, please complete the form on the Member Musician's webpage. Scroll down to "Resources from the PRDC" and select the "Funding Request" tab. Send the completed form to: JSPlayerRelations@gmail.com.



Family and partners are welcome to the picnic! Please RSVP by 9/3 to jsplayerrelations@gmail.com so we'll know how many burgers to bring.

Upcoming Events

July 29, Commitments due for 60th season

August 1, Ops Assistant application deadline

August 1, deadline to order 60th season t-shirt

August 10, 5:15 PM - Board meeting

August 27, 2 PM - Wildlife Cruise

August 29, deadline to purchase 60th merch

August 31, 5:45 PM - PRDC monthly meeting

September 2, 4-7 PM - 60th Club Launch Party

September 3, deadline to RSVP for picnic

September 10, 4-6 PM - fall picnic @ Auke Rec

October 15, Roaring 20's Anniversary Gala

Sundays at 1 PM - KRNN JS radio broadcasts

JS Player Relations & Development Committee

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