



Join us for the MSYO's 47th Season!

#### **About the Show**

Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra

## **Season Opening Concert**

Saturday, November 12, 2022, 2:00 pm Gallo Center for the Arts Mary Stuart Rogers Theater

## **Program**

#### **Concert Orchestra**

Donald C. Grishaw, conductor

**Jean Sibelius (1865-1957)** 

Finlandia, arr. Meyer

**Arr. Merle Issac (1898-1996)** 

Two South American Tango

i.El Choclo ii.La Compasita

Nicolai Rimski-Korsakov (1844-1908)

Fandango and Alborada, arr. Issac

#### Intermission

## **Symphony Orchestra**

Wayland Whitney, conductor

Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

March Past of the Kitchen Utensils

**Edward German (1862-1936)** 

Three Dances from Henry VII

i.Morris Dance

ii. Torch Dance

Joseph Franz Haydn (1732-1809)

Symphony No. 104, "London"





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i.Adagio - Allegro iv.Finale

Please, no flash photography. As a courtesy to the performers and other audience members, please turn off watch alarms and cell phones during the performance.

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#### Roster



#### **Concert Orchestra**

Don Grishaw, conductor

#### Violin I

Madeleine Diep Theodora Walker Sofia-Victoria Aleman-Castellano Alan Bunchien Jaquelyn Pena Felix Tieu

#### Violin II

Lailah Velasco Zachariah lorns





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Lily O'Connor Mitchell Danipour Wyatt Early Stephen Cover

#### Viola

Jacksen Skonovd Anna Early

#### Cello

Arianna Alfaro Heather Aitken Matiaz Gama Jonathan Bice Jayda Heintz Ethan Early

#### Bass

Juan Pablo Davalos\*

#### Piano

Vivana Alfaro\*

#### Flute

Phoebe Bradshaw Isabel Coles

#### Clarinet

Reuben Netniss Adrian Rodriguez\* Elijah Netniss\*

#### Bassoon

Moses Netniss Aidan Beekman\*

## Trumpet

Sydney Toews Spencer Sousa Ben Sensney Jonathan Kraus





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#### Horn

Emilia Sousa Drew Bellinger

Alto Saxophone

Belen Harburu-Lopez

**Trombone** 

Lucas Bernard

Tuba

Zachary Alves\*

Percussion

Samuel Shrader Molly Kaley Kyle Meeks\* Guy Bradshaw\*

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# **Symphony Orchestra**

Wayland Whitney, conductor

Violin I

Rylan Post Samuel Kraus

Violin II

Quinn Ford Ryan Tieu





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Viola

Aiden Rosebrough

Cello

Grace Shrader Bella Davila

Double Bass

Juan Pablo Davalos Jingxuan Li

Flute

Gracelynn Hardwick

Clarinet

Adrian Rodriguez Elijah Netniss

Bassoon

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Tuba

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Percussion

Kyle Meeks Guy Bradshaw Samuel Shrader Molly Kaley

Harp





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## **Artist Biographies**



**Donald Grishaw** 

#### Concert Orchestra Conductor

Donald Grishaw began piano and violin lessons at an early age. His interest in music flourished throughout his high school years. He attended San Jose State University, graduating in 1979 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Performance in violin and piano and a minor in Spanish. While attending SJSU, he studied the violin with the late Dr. Lauren Jakey and also with Daniel Kobialka of the San Francisco Symphony. Upon graduation, Mr. Grishaw pursued Single Subject and Multiple Subject teaching credentials and taught in the Turlock Unified School District for 37 years. He recently retired from Pitman High School where he taught Concert Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra as well as Spanish 2 and AP Spanish Literature. With the opening of Pitman High School in 2002, Mr. Grishaw founded the Pitman High School Orchestra which now includes over 80 students, and has received accolades both locally and in Southern California where they continue to perform each year while on tour.

Mr. Grishaw performs regularly throughout the surrounding communities on the violin, the viola, and the piano. He is a longstanding member of the violin section of the Modesto Symphony Orchestra and also freelances with other local orchestras and string quartets. Mr. Grishaw and his wife, Angelica, play regularly for Sunday Masses, quinceañeras, and weddings at Sacred Heart Church in Turlock.

Mr. Grishaw joined the Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra faculty in 2014. Under Mr. Grishaw's direction the Concert Orchestara Division has continued to expand and prepare additional young string, wind, brass, and percussion musicians





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for the Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra Symphony Orchestra Division. Mr. Grishaw is an active member of A.S.T.A. (American String Teachers Association) and A.F.M. (American Federation of Musicians).



**Wayland Whitney** 

Symphony Orchestra Conductor

**Wayland Whitney** is a conductor and violist from northern California. He is passionate about education, and has taught publicly and privately since 2008. In 2009, he co-founded the Placer County Youth Orchestra (PCYO) in Roseville, CA, which he administered and conducted while pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Viola at UC Davis. From 2016-18, he directed the Music in the Mountains Youth Orchestra (MIMYO) in Nevada County, CA.

In 2018, he was appointed assistant conductor for Symphony D'Oro, a community orchestra in Rancho Cordova, CA. He also conceived and arranged music for a series of school outreach concerts for the Auburn Civic Symphony in Auburn, CA. Later that year, Whitney moved to West NY to study conducting and free improvisation with Dr. David Rudge at SUNY Fredonia, finishing his Master's degree in Conducting in spring of 2020.

In 2021, Whitney returned to Music in the Mountains as director of MIMYO and Assistant Conductor of the MIM Orchestra and became conductor of the Modesto Youth Symphony Orchestra in Modesto, CA.



Ella Webb

**MSYO** Wind Specialist





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**Ella Webb** graduated from the University of the Pacific where she received a Bachelor of Music in Music Education with a minor in French horn performance.

She recently retired from the Hughson Unified School District where she worked for forty years. Her duties there included instrumental (concert and jazz bands) at Fox Road Elementary, Emilie Ross Middle School, and Hughson High School. She was named Hughson's Teacher of the Year Award in 2003-2004 and received the School Bell Award in 2010. In 2015 Mrs. Webb was named one of 23 California Music Educator's Association State Music Mentors.

In 1994 she began Summer Music at Stanislaus, the music camp at CSU Stanislaus for band, choral, orchestra, and piano students in the 6th through 12th grades. She was camp director until 2002.

She has worked for YES (Youth Entertainment Stage) Company as the orchestra conductor for the past fourteen years.

Ms. Webb has also conducted many honor bands including Madera, Novato, Tuolumne County, San Rafael, Merced, Santa Rosa, Sacramento, and California Music Educator's Association Bay Section. She has served on the boards of California Band Director's Association, California Music Educator's Association, and the Stanislaus County Music Educator's Association.

In 2016 she received the Stanislaus County Music Educator's Association Distinguished Service Award and the California Music Educator's Association Lifetime Achievement Award.

Her professional organizations include California Teacher's Association, California Music Educator's Association, National Association for Music Education, Stanislaus County Music Educator's Association, and California Alliance for Jazz.



**Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra** 

Founded in 1976, the **Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra (MSYO)** serves young musicians and their families from more





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than 40 public and private schools in the Central Valley. Led by a deeply engaged leadership team, the youth orchestra attracts a diverse group of outstanding musicians. Members are presented with the opportunity to share their gift of music in an inspiring and challenging orchestral setting alongside their peers from all social, economic, cultural, and geographical backgrounds. As a program within the Modesto Symphony Orchestra Association (MSO), members also have the invaluable experience of interacting with MSO professional musicians, conductors, and visiting guest artists through workshops, side-by-side performances, and clinics.

The MSYO serves students of varying skill levels and is made up of two full-orchestra (strings, winds, and percussion) groups: Concert Orchestra for grades 5-9 and Symphony Orchestra for grades 9-12. The MSYO Concert Orchestra has toured San Francisco, Sacramento, and the Central Valley. Each spring the Concert Orchestra tours through local elementary schools, providing free performances and advocating for the importance of music education. The MSYO Symphony Orchestra has also performed throughout the United States and abroad, including performances in England, France, Japan, Eastern Europe, Canada, and China. The Symphony Orchestra has previously partnered with the Napa Valley Youth Symphony to perform in the 2012 Mahler Festival in Vienna and for the 2014 New York Phil Young Composers workshop, where they performed at Carnegie Hall and in Central Park.





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