



MSYO Spring Concert

Join us for the MSYO's 47th
Season!

About the Show

Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra

Saturday, February 11, 2023, 2:00 pm
Gallo Center for the Arts
Mary Stuart Rogers Theater

Program

Concert Orchestra

Donald C. Grishaw, *conductor*

Jacques Offenbach (1819-1880)?

Barcarolle from "The Tales of Hoffman" arr. Meyer ?

Giuseppe Verdi (1813-1901)?

Viva Verdi arr. John Goldsmith

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)?

Symphony No. 4 in E minor, Op. 98

III. Allegro Giocoso

Intermission

Symphony Orchestra

Wayland Whitney, *conductor*

Béla Bartók (1881-1945)

Romanian Folk Dances

Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)?

Four Dances from *Gyermektancok (Children's Dances)*

Jean Sibelius (1865-1957)

Karelia Suite, Op. 11?

I. Intermezzo

II. Ballade

III. Alla marcia?

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



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Don Grishaw, conductor

Violin I

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

Violin II

Lailah Velasco
Zachariah Iorns
Mitchell Danipour
Kai Bennet
Stephen Cover
Wyatt Early



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Viola

Jacksen Skonovd
Anna Early

Cello

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

Bass

Juan Pablo Davalos*

Flute

Phoebe Bradshaw
Isabel Coles
Sydney Mason*
Kai Merryman*

Clarinet

Reuben Netniss
Adrian Rodriguez*
Elijah Netniss*

Bassoon

Moses Netniss
Aidan Beekman*

Trumpet

Sydney Toews
Spencer Sousa
Ben Sensney
Jonathan Kraus

Horn

Emilia Sousa
Drew Bellinger



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Alto Saxophone

Belen Harburu-Lopez

Trombone

Lucas Bernard

Tuba

Zach Alves*

Percussion

Calvin Garza
Molly Kaley
Samuel Shrader
Guy Bradshaw*
Sean Coxford*
Kyle Meeks*

**Symphony Orchestra member*

Roster as of 01/25/2023



Symphony Orchestra

Wayland Whitney, conductor

Violin I

Rylan Post
Samuel Kraus
Claire Chuang
Edith Hughes
Josephine Hughes

Violin II



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Quinn Ford
Ryan Tieu
Isabella Diep
Francis Daroy

Viola

Aiden Rosebrough

Cello

Grace Shrader
Bella Davila
Bella Chuang
Brady Black
Emma Lo

Double Bass

Juan Pablo Davalos
Jingxuan Li

Flute

Gracelynn Hardwick
Kai Merryman

Clarinet

Adrian Rodriguez
Elijah Netniss

Bassoon

Aidan Beekman

Horn

Jasmin Lopez

Trumpet

Alisha Chakravarty
Jennica Burton
Josh Chapin

Trombone

Aaron Meraz

Tuba

Zachary Alves

Percussion

Kyle Meeks
Guy Bradshaw
Samuel Shrader
Molly Kaley
Calvin Garza

Special thanks to

Susan Garza, flute
Ella Webb, woodwind specialist
Joel Maki, percussion specialist

Roster as of 02/07/2023

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



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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.

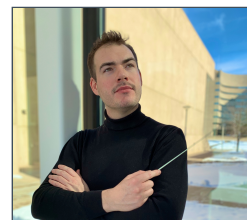
Mr. Grishaw performs regularly throughout the surrounding communities on the violin, the viola, and the piano. He is a longstanding member of the violin section of the Modesto Symphony Orchestra and also freelances with other local orchestras and string quartets. Mr. Grishaw and his wife, Angelica, play 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 Orchestra Division has continued to expand and prepare additional young string, wind, brass, and percussion musicians 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).



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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.



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Ella Webb

MSYO Wind Specialist

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.



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Modesto Symphony Youth Orchestra

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