

Philharmonic Newsletter

Great concert last weekend! I hope you're proud of your performance - it was a delight to listen to. You all have come such a long way since the first rehearsal back in August!

Sunday, November 22
NO REHEARSAL

We have decided to cancel rehearsal this Sunday as there are schedule conflicts and we would be beginning new music under less than ideal circumstances. This gives us some time to get music in order and ready to go for your next rehearsal on December 6! **Please watch your e-mail for music and mp3 recordings to arrive.**

Sunday, November 29
NO REHEARSAL

Rehearsal will resume on Sunday, December 6 at 1:00 pm.
Please note that I (Ruth) will not be at the rehearsal on December 6 due to a performance of the New World Youth Symphony Orchestra that afternoon.

Please read on for important information about your music and other events that are coming up.

From your conductor:

Greetings, Philharmonic:

I hope you enjoyed your first concert! I was VERY proud of your performance; there were many lovely moments, and it was a great beginning to our season. My goal is to build on our work, and to continue to raise the level of our musicianship as an ensemble. As you read above, we have to cancel this week's rehearsal because I'll be involved with a conducting workshop at the Univ. of Indianapolis. In the coming days, we will be emailing your new music, along with mp3 recordings of two of the compositions. Please spend some time with your part so we can hit the ground running when we meet again in two weeks.

Speaking of new music, I'm really looking forward to our upcoming program! Our concert will open with the exciting overture to Ferdinand Herold's opera, "Zampa." (As the story goes, Zampa was a notorious pirate who sailed the waters around Italy.) Also on the program will be Albert Biales' "The Enchanted Palace," which is already in your folder, and Johann Strauss' "Radetzky March." The centerpiece of the program will be the second movement of Beethoven's Symphony No. 7. While the movement is not extremely difficult from a technical perspective, it will present us with a huge musical challenge, and it (and the entire symphony) is a cornerstone of the orchestra repertoire.

Have a great couple of weeks, and please remember to check your email for music and recordings.

Best,
Dr. S

Yuletide Celebration is here! I have the dates and times that New World is responsible for staffing. New World has an exchange with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. We serve cookies and wassail at 7 of the Yuletide performances in exchange for a free rental of the Hilbert Circle Theatre for our November performance. Our responsibilities include wrapping cookies prior to the performances, selling cookies and drinks (wassail and milk) before the concert and at intermission, and minor clean-up at the end of intermission. Volunteers may be seated to watch the performance, if seats are available - though I usually watch from the main floor lobby and enjoy the performance every time!

What do we need? 15 to 21 volunteers each of 7 performances. Crew Chiefs - those who are experienced and have worked this event before are eligible to be a crew chief. This person assigns volunteers to stations, handles extra cash to make change for stations, ensures that all stations are continually stocked with cookies, and collects money from all stations at the end of intermission.

What times? Arrive 2 1/2 hour prior to the concert time, work until the start of the performance, and work intermission

Who can do this? Volunteers should be old enough to work under the supervision of a parent - generally our volunteers are at least 10 years old. Those who work with money must be at least 14 years old. Many families volunteer together - it's a great way to celebrate the holidays with family and friends while helping an organization that you love! Talk to friends, co-workers, neighbors, and family about helping out this year.

Information will be posted to the NWYO website and will include the Volunteer Instruction Sheet, Directions to Hilbert Circle Theatre, and Yuletide Parking Garage Rates.

Dates and times that we have secured - all of the times below are the concert start times, so you would be arriving 2 1/2 hours prior to the time listed:

Saturday, December 12: 2:00 pm

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Wednesday, December 16: 7:30 pm

Friday, December 18: 8:00 pm

Saturday, December 19: 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 20: 6:00 pm

Monday, December 21: 7:30 pm

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