

Symphony Notes

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Message from the President

Greetings Guild Members,

Springtime has arrived, bringing along, its annual sense of renewal. Seems only fitting that music, **beautiful** music, should fill our days.

The enchanting children's story of "Peter and The Wolf," illustrated by Prokofiev's delightful music, will be performed by the ASO Chamber Orchestra at the Garvan Gardens' Anthony Chapel on Sunday March 26 at 3pm. Also on the program will be Benjamin Britten's "Simple Symphony," which the composer completed at the young age of 20. A reception will follow the concert.

Arkansas Gives Day is Thursday April 6 from 8am-8pm. The Symphony Guild's mission of providing music education programs for area school children and to continue supporting the ASO depends on financial giving. As you select the non-profits that you will donate to, your remembrance of the HS/HSV Symphony Guild will be very appreciated. We invite you to visit the open house at Holly Classics from 3pm-5pm on April 6 at 105 Deposito Paseo in the Village. Besides having an opportunity to place your online donations, refreshments will be served and music provided as you view many incredible classic automobiles.

Remember your excitement, some years back, of attending a prom? On Saturday evening, April 29th, your Guild presents a 2017 Senior Prom for your enjoyment. The Village Big Band will provide the dance music and Chef Johanna will again provide one of her delicious meals.

Please visit our website for tickets and further information about all Guild events.

Sergei Prokofiev wrote, "In my view, the composer...must beautify life." As music lovers, our hearts overflow with so much beauty, thanks to the genius of great composers.

Best wishes,

Sugar R. Balkie

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra at the Anthony Chapel, Garvan Gardens, Hot Springs, Sunday March 26, 3 PM.



The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Geoffrey Robson, returns to Garvan Gardens for its fifth year! On the 2017 program are Britten's "Simple Symphony" and Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf." This concert always sells out fast, so call soon for tickets. Tickets can only be purchased by calling the Garvan Gardens office 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. weekdays.

\$35 Members | \$50 Non-Members | Seating is limited and tickets MUST be purchased in advance | Reserve by calling 800-366-4664

Piano/Violin Concert Sunday March 19 Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, HSV

Pianist Tatiana Roitman Mann returns to Holy

Trinity Episcopal Church to present a piano concert along with violinist Trisha McGovern Freeney. The members of Holy Trinity Episcopal church invite the public to attend this very special event in the musical and parish life of their church. The concert on March 19, 3 pm, is free and open



to the public. A reception will follow in Sifford Hall.

Dr. Mann has appeared as a soloist and recitalist both here and abroad. She is a versatile artist, performing concerto, solo and chamber music with equal skill and artistry. She was the recipient of the Peggy Rockefeller Memorial Fellowship at Tanglewood, Dr. Mann's musical interpretations are characterized by their warmth and emotional intensity. She strongly believes the only way that "art" music can remain pertinent in the 21st century is by conveying and elevating its emotional guintessence. Dr. Mann holds graduate degrees from Manhattan School of Music, the Royal Academy of Music in London, and the University of Minnesota. Currently she is the Artist-in-Residence at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Trisha McGovern Freeney has been a violinist with the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra and Rockefeller Quartet since 2013. Highlights of her time here in Arkansas include playing Astor Piazzolla's "Invierno Porteño: Winter as violin soloist with the ASO's Intimate Neighborhood Concert (I.N.C.) Series under the direction of Philip Mann and the New Deal Salon Concert Series in Little Rock. A native of



Kansas City, Dr. Freeney completed her Doctor of Musical Arts degree in violin performance at the University of Missouri-Kansas City's Conservatory of Music & Dance in 2012. She also holds Bachelors and Masters of Music degrees from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music where she also studied violin performance.

The program will include: "Sonata No. 3 in D Minor, Opus 108," Johannes Brahms; "Subito" (1992), Witold Lutoslawski; "Three Fantastic Dances, Opus 5," Dmitri Shostakovich; "Suite for Violin and Piano from Music to Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing,*" Erich Korngold; "Romanian Folk Dances," Bela Bartok

ArkansasGives Day April 6, 2017



As reported in the Village Voice in the February 21 edition, the Guild is participating in the last Arkansas Gives Day on Thursday April 6.

The Arkansas Community Foundation sponsors

this statewide day of giving for donors to contribute online to their favorite charitable organizations. The event runs from 8 AM to 8 PM on April 6. All of the participating organizations have tax-exempt status, making all donations tax deductible.

In addition to sponsoring the event and providing the website and other technical support, the Arkansas Community Foundation will contribute "bonus dollars" to each organization. The "bonus dollars" are awarded in proportion to the donations each organization receives and come from a pool of funds raised for this purpose.

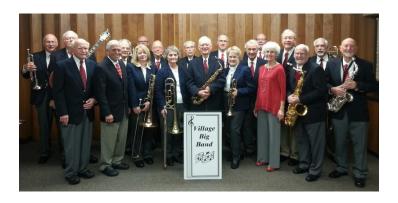
There are four HSV organizations participating in the event again this year: the Guild, Arkansas Learning Through the Arts, the Ouachita Speaker Series, and the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. Also again this year, John Hollansworth will host a three-hour event at Holly Classics (105 Deposito Paseo) featuring vintage automobiles, food and beverages. Members from all four Village organizations will be available to answer any questions about their organizations and to facilitate donations. The event is from 2—5 PM and is free to the public.

Dorothy Morris is hosting a similar giving party at her home in Hot Springs from 8 AM to 8 PM. She will feature all of the participating organizations in the greater Hot Springs area. Dorothy invites Guild members and their guests to attend the party. She lives at 358 Palos Verdes Dr., Hot Springs, AR 71913.

If you prefer to contribute from home, please visit www.arkansasgives.org anytime between 8 AM and 8 PM on April 6. Donors can select all of the organizations that they would like to support and make donations to each in a single transaction. The minimum donation to any organization is \$25 and most credit cards are accepted. The website will issue electronic receipts for tax purposes. If you would like the individual organizations to acknowledge your gift, please click the box allowing the Community Foundation to share your name and contact information with the organizations.

Senior Prom Dinner and Dance Coronado Community Center April 29

Tickets are now on sale to members for the Senior Prom 2017 Dinner and Dance. Join us in the Coronado Center lobby for cocktails at a cash bar at 5:00 PM. Then at 6:00 enter the beautifully decorated Coronado Ballroom for a wonderful dinner followed by dancing to the great tunes of The Village Big Band starting at 7:00.



You may purchase tickets online using this <u>link</u> or the one on our website. Or you may purchase tickets in person at the POA ticket office in the Ouachita Building at the Ponce de Leon Center. Dinner seating is at tables of 8. If you purchase fewer than 8 tickets and would like to sit with another party in particular, please contact our Ticket VP, Nancy Jorgensen

at <u>njorgensenhsv@gmail.com</u> (preferred) or at 501-984-2266.

Dallas Getaway—March 27—29, 2017

We have a few spots left on our Dallas Getaway. If you would like to go, please contact Sue at 922-4801 for all the details and to sign up by March 10. The price for this three day trip is \$725 for a shared room and \$960 as a single. Activities include a visit to the Bush Presidential Library and Museum and Kinky Boots at the Music Hall.

We have great front orchestra seats for Kinky Boots - inspired by true events, this musical has been the hottest Broadway show and winner of 6 Tony Awards. A happy huge-hearted celebration of friendships and the belief you can change the world when you change your mind. Before the show we will enjoy a dining treat in the Music Hall's Dining Room. A first class buffet and cash bar plus a view overlooking Fair Park.



Like us on Facebook

Yes, we have a Facebook page. It has been "lying dormant" for a couple of years, but we are beginning to move forward with making it "lively" again. So visit us on Facebook at Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village Symphony Guild, and watch for event postings, photos and the like. And speaking of "like", please "like" and "share" our page with your Facebook friends.

Bus Service to Sunday ASO Masterworks Concerts

If you have tickets to the Sunday performances of the ASO Masterworks concert series and do not want to drive to Little Rock, we offer bus service from the Village.

To sign up to ride the bus, please contact either Molly Crawshaw at 922-0622 (email mscrawshaw@yahoo.com) or Priscilla O'Malley at 915-0051 (email prisomalley@yahoo.com). You may pay for each trip when you board the bus or you may purchase the entire series of

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Season Event Calendar

The program committee has finalized our season offerings. A list of our season entertainment events is below. For full details, please visit the Event page of our website.

March 26, 2017—ASO Chamber Orchestra, Garvan Gardens, Hot Springs

April 29, 2017—Senior Prom 2017—Dinner and Dance featuring the Village Big Band, Coronado Center, Hot Springs Village

April 30, 2017—ASO Youth Orchestra in Concert, Woodlands Auditorium.

In Memory

We were saddened when we received word of the passing of former Board member Betty Lu Allen on February 6, 2017. Betty served on our Board for 3 years.

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