



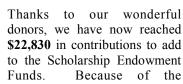
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President's Note



generosity of Tom & Sue Spackman and Adella (Peggy) Andersen, the Music Guild will have two new endowed scholarships. These two scholarships – the Spackman Family Junior String Scholarship and the Adella Andersen Junior Piano Scholarship – make it possible to reward young musicians in grades 7-9 for outstanding musicianship.

Our goal is to raise \$40,000 to make the Scholarship Endowment Funds secure for the future. Your generous donations will make reaching this goal possible.

Thank you again for the support that enables us to recognize the talents and accomplishments of our youth.

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DeAnn Spencer, President

Thank You to All Members!

Rochester Music Guild currently has 208 members committed to supporting music in Rochester.

Because you have renewed your membership, we are able to support our goals of music appreciation, education, and performance. Your membership money helps support the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale, the Music Guild Scholarship Competition, the *Lunch & Learn* Series, and grants to music organizations. We thank you for your generosity!

During previous years the Rochester Music Guild has published and mailed a directory to all members. In order to make the best use of our resources, we have decided, for the 2009-2010 year, to provide an electronic directory to all members for whom we have e-mail addresses and a printed directory only upon request.

If you wish to receive a printed membership directory, please contact Maureen Lemens at 282-3280 or DeAnn Spencer at 285-0970.

A list of the current members is included on the last page of this newsletter. Current members will also be acknowledged in the printed programs for Lunch & Learn events.

Maureen Lemens, Membership Chair

2010 Young Musicians Scholarship Competition

One purpose of the Rochester Music Guild is to promote the development of musical excellence, especially among young musicians. We strive to improve musical standards and skill, and identify those students who show special talent that may be developed into musical careers and professional opportunities. Each year, for 46 years, the Rochester Music Guild has sponsored the Young Musicians Scholarship Competition, where dozens of music students compete for financial scholarship awards. Competition is held in four categories for senior high school students – piano, strings, voice, and winds. This year, for the first time, we are holding a separate junior division for middle school students. The competition for these students will be in piano and strings only.

This year's competition will be held on Friday, February 5, and Saturday, February 6. On February 5, students in grades 6-8 will compete in the new Junior piano and string instrument division. This competition will take place at Petit Music and First Presbyterian Church. Rochester Music Guild will award \$900 in the Junior Division.

On February 6, at First Presbyterian Church, senior high school students will compete for scholar-ship awards ranging from \$300 to \$500 in four categories – piano, string instruments, wind instruments, and voice. A judge in each category, recruited from area college and music school faculties, will hear students and provide helpful feedback on their performances as well as determine who will receive the awards.

The four categories are named for noted Rochester musicians who spent much of their lives involved in music – performing, teaching, and promoting music and the arts in our community.



Carter Douglas was a gifted young pianist whose developing talent touched many in our community in her short life.



Georgia Daniel worked for over 22 years in the Rochester Public Schools, teaching students and directing school orchestras.



Sally Duffy, a two-time President of the Rochester Music Guild, sang with the Rochester Symphony Chorale and had a passion for music and the arts.



Carl Schroedel, who served on both the Rochester Music Guild Board and the Rochester Orchestra and Chorale Board, was a performer himself as well as a dedicated supporter of the arts.

Last year, over 50 students participated in the competition and we anticipate a similar number this year. It takes many hands to facilitate this day-long event and volunteers are needed to help with a number of tasks. We would like to invite any interested Guild members to help on the 6th. If you can spare a couple hours and are interested, please e-mail us at pres@rochestermusicguild.org.

A winners' recital will be held on Sunday, February 14, at 2:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church to showcase the talents of this year's winners. It will be followed by a reception to honor and greet the students. If you can help by providing a dozen or two bars or cookies for the reception, please e-mail us as well

Thank you for supporting our talented young people. You can take pride knowing that a significant portion of your membership dues has helped fund these scholarships. On behalf of the Board, we thank you for your generosity!

Drew Durtschi, Scholarship Chair

Upcoming Events

January 15, 2010
Young Musicians of
Southeastern Minnesota
Recital
Unitarian Universalist Church
7:00 p.m.

January 23-24, 2010 RSOC Radiothon at KNXR

February 5, 2010
Scholarship Competition
Junior Division
Petit Music and
First Presbyterian Church

February 6, 2010 Scholarship Competition Senior High School Division First Presbyterian Church

February 7, 2010
SEMYO
Concert Orchestra
featuring
Farzan Fatemi, Winner
Piano Concerto Competition
Bethel Lutheran Church
2:00 p.m.

February 8, 2010 Lunch & Learn Maestro Jere Lantz Charter House—11:30 a.m.

February 13, 2010 SEMYO JUST FOR KIDS Winterfest All Ensembles John Adams Middle School 10:30 a.m.

February 14, 2010 Scholarship Winners' Recital First Presbyterian Church 2:00 p.m.

> February 20, 2010 RSOC Concert Pure Passion Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall 7;30 p.m.

March 5, 2010
Young Musicians of
Southeastern Minnesota
Recital
Unitarian Universalist Church
7:00 p.m.

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More Upcoming Events

March 7, 2010
SEMYO
Chamber Strings,
Symphonic Winds, and
Philharmonic ensembles
Byron Performing Arts Center
2:00 p.m

March 12, 2010 Lunch & Learn Carla Thelen-Hanson The ART of Singing Rochester Art Center 11:30 a.m.

March 13, 2010 RSOC Concert An Evening of Chamber Music Christ United Methodist Church 7:30 p.m.

> April - June, 2010 Garden of Note Sale

April 19, 2010 Lunch & Learn John Paulson Jazz Quartet The ART of Jazz Rochester Art Center 11:30 a.m.

April 24, 2010 RSOC Concert A Night in the Tropics Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall 7:30 p.m.

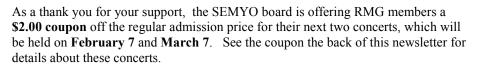
> May 9, 2010 SEMYO hamber Strings

Chamber Strings, Symphonic Winds, and Philharmonic ensembles Century High School 2:00 p.m.

May 9, 2010 SEMYO Concert Orchestra Century High School 3:30 p.m.

May 24, 2010 Guild Annual Meeting Zumbro Lutheran Church 7:00 p.m.

SEMYO Board Offers Discount to Guild Members!





The February 7 concert will feature Farzan Fatemi, winner of the piano concerto competition. He will be playing *Rhapsody in Blue* by Gershwin with the Concert Orchestra.

Clip the coupon from the back page or call the SEMYO office at 507-282-1718 for coupons.

Herberger's Community Day RMG Fundraiser



Our November 2009 Herberger's Community Day fund raiser was a huge success. The Herberger's Community Day sale raised over \$1600.00. These funds help to support our educational programs and scholarships as well as our commitments to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale. It is your commitment to the goals and ideals of Rochester Music Guild that made this fundraiser such a success!

Many of our sales are due to the hours your board members spend pre-selling coupon books in the Herberger's store in the weeks before the big sale. Board members also volunteer hours selling coupon books on the day of the actual Community Days Event. A special thanks goes to those volunteers who helped with in-store coupon sales including Wendy Johnson, Glenn VanLaningham, Pauline Krieger, and Joyce Lewis.

Warmest thanks and grateful applause goes to all those who purchased coupon books. We know these are trying economic times, and because of that, your generosity is even more appreciated. Because the February Herberger's Community Days comes so soon after the fall sale and immediately before the "Garden of Note" fund raiser, we will not send out coupons for the Community Day sale in February. We will look forward to your continued support for the Herberger's Community Days fundraiser in the fall.

Linda Anderson, Member-at-Large

Petit Music Fundraiser



Petit Music partnered again this year with the Rochester Music Guild to raise funds for the scholarship and education activities supported by the Guild.

Ann and Larry Petit, owners of Petit Music and longtime supporters of music activities in Rochester, again agreed to donate 5% of purchases made on the fundraiser dates to the Rochester Music Guild. Petit's offers a complete selection of new, used, and restored pianos — in addition to their large selection of printed music, music gifts, and accessories. This year's fundraiser was held on December 11 and December 12. We had hoped this would be a good time during the busy holiday season, but the results were similar to last year. Luckily for us, the Bailey family asked to have their December 14 purchase of a digital piano included in the Music Guild fundraiser, and the Petits generously agreed. This brought the total sales for the fundraiser up to almost \$2,000, with \$98.24 going to the Rochester Music Guild.

Naomi Atrubin, Member-at-Large

Night in Italy

On Friday, November 6, the Rochester Music Guild hosted their fall social – *A Night in Italy*. It was an evening of food, music, and friends. A five-course dinner was served, while an ensemble played beautiful music in the background.



President-Elect Glenn VanLaningham and Past President Ella VanLaningham enjoying the musical program at *A Night in Italy*.



Under the direction of DeAnn Spencer, nearly 100 people enjoyed an evening of Italian food and music. The menu for the evening included: Italian zucchini & parmesan soup; bruschetta; salad with gorgonzola, walnuts and cranberries; baked manicotti; and chocolate torte for dessert. We would like to acknowledge Daube's Bakery for their donation of the breadsticks and baguettes.

President DeAnn Spencer preparing food for A Night in Italy.

After the dinner, attendees were serenaded with music from Italy. Allison Buivid (soprano) and Brian Kuhl (tenor) sang arias from Puccini and Donizetti. Allison Buivid was the 1st place winner in the 2009 National Vocal competition sponsored by Classical Singer Magazine. Brian Kuhl has appeared this year with MN Opera, St Petersburg Opera (FL) and the MN Orchestra.

A wonderful ensemble from Century High School entertained during the dinner – Kiri Bardsley, Corin Blazing, and Kevin Grothe. Servers were young women from Bella Voce, SEMYO and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints – Marinda Carey, Marissa Wagar, Emily Alpers, Hanna Rasanen, Abigail Mundy, Hannah Pederson, Johanna Christner, Amelia Jerde, Kailey Peterson, Anna Gresser, Lindsey Firl, and Katie Haddock.



Allison Buivid and Brian Kuhl singing arias from Puccini and Donizetti.



Kiri Bardsley, Corin Blazing, and Kevin Grothe entertaining during the dinner.

We are grateful to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for donating the use of their facilities for the evening.

DeAnn Spencer, President



In memoriam: Almyra S. Whitehead

The Rochester arts community, and especially the Rochester Music Guild, lost a dear friend and valued supporter when Almyra Whitehead passed away on November 2, 2009.

Mrs. Whitehead was born in Cookeville, Tennessee, on March 20, 1920, to Dr. Z. L. Shipley and Florence Barnes Shipley. She early showed talent in piano, and she developed ability in singing at Tennessee Technologic University, from which she graduated in 1940. At Peabody College (now part of Vanderbilt University) in Nashville, she earned a master's degree in music education.

After teaching school a year in Collierville, Tennessee, she married Lt. Guy Whitehead in her home town of Cookeville in 1942. When Guy was sent overseas, Almyra taught in the Cincinnati public schools and earned certificates in piano and voice at the College of Music (now the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music).

When her husband returned and became a graduate student in Nashville, she resumed study of voice and piano at Peabody; and for two years she taught voice at Fisk University.

After six years in Lexington, Kentucky, the Whiteheads moved to Rochester, where they were to spend the rest of their lives. Here Almyra taught piano and voice privately. She loved her students, and they did well.

For several years, she was the Rochester membership chairman of the Community Concerts Association. She was a member of the Rochester Symphony Chorale, the Rochester Music Guild (in which she headed several fund drives), and the Keyboard Club, and a founding member of the Performers Group. For a number of years she managed monthly Young Peoples Concerts, in which students of any teachers performed at the Arts Center for each other and their families and friends. In 1985, the mayor honored her with a medal for her artistic and cultural achievements.

She was a longtime member of the Calvary Episcopal Church choir, and directed it for one year. As a citizen, she served several years on the board of Christmas Anonymous, and she volunteered with the Red Cross in local emergencies. She was an active member of the DFL Party.

She is survived by her husband, Guy Whitehead, Ph.D.; a son, Guy Whitehead, M.D. (Julie Ann Carson) of Happy Valley, Oregon; and a daughter, Amelia "Amy" Whitehead (Don Dryden) of Nashville, Tennessee.

A memorial service was held at Calvary Episcopal Church (111 3rd Avenue S.W.) on Saturday, December 5.

Almyra Whitehead will be greatly missed by the Rochester arts community, but the contributions of her lifetime ensure that her name will be long remembered in Rochester.

Garden of Note Benefit



In spite of the cold and snowy weather we've had recently, we promise Spring is on the way! As you plan and prepare for your spring plantings, remember to plan to take advantage of our annual Garden

of Note sale. We will once again give you an opportunity to support our music scholarship program and our pledge to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale by using our Garden of Note vouchers for all your prom, graduation and spring planting needs.

The vouchers cost \$25 each and are redeemable anytime before the expiration date shown on the voucher for \$25 worth of merchandise at either Sargent's location. The Rochester Music Guild makes 20% on each voucher sold. The funds are used to provide music scholarships for Rochester students and to underwrite one of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale concerts. This is a win-win situation for everyone involved! You get full value for your flower dollars, the Guild makes money to fund student music scholarships, and the community has the opportunity to enjoy a great concert.

Vouchers will be available from Ann Petit (507-696-9000 or ann@petitmusic.com) or from Barbara Eakins (507-288-8700 or eakinsbf@aol.com) or from volunteer RMG sellers.

Ann Petit and Barbara Eakins. Co-Chairs

Rochester Music Guild Annual Meeting and Program Monday, May 24, 2010

Mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting of the Rochester Music Guild at Zumbro Lutheran Church on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 7 pm. We will be entertained by winners of the Music Guild Scholarship Competition prior to the Business Meeting. A reception will follow.

We will honor retiring board members and welcome new members, in addition to fully reporting on the achievements of the RMG and its financial status. Watch the mail for your personal invitation early in May. There is no fee for the meeting and program.

Glenn VanLaningham, President Elect

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Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale Upcoming Concerts



Tickets for RSOC concerts are available at the Mayo Civic Center box office, RSOC office, and through Ticketmaster. For concert or ticket information, please call the RSOC office at 507-286-8742.

Saturday, February 20, 7:30 pm Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall

The RSOC continues their 2009-10 concert season with *Pure Passion*. As the saying goes, "'Tis better to have loved and lost..." and no better re-telling of the tale than with music. Relive the agony and the ecstasy of passionate love stories as told in symphony and song. Gift your Valentine with tickets to our ultraromantic concert and prepare to be swept away by the dramas of Tristan and Isolde, Romeo and Juliet, Carmen and Don José legendary loves celebrated in an evening of performances you won't soon forget.

Concert program:

Wagner: Prelude and Love Death from Tristan and Isolde

Bizet: Selections from *Carmen* Khachaturian: Suite from *Spartacus* Tchaikovsky: *Romeo and Juliet*

Prior to the concert, preview Maestro Jere Lantz' concert program notes at www.rochestersymphony.org.

A pre-concert reception will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayo Civic Center Grand Ballroom. No reservations necessary, all concert-goers are welcome to attend and enjoy the delicious desserts courtesy of Daube's Bakery, cash bar, socializing, and a pre-concert chat by Maestro Jere Lantz previewing the evening's program. Please see www.rochestersymphony.org for more details.

Saturday, March 13, 7:30 p.m. Christ United Methodist Church

Join us for an intimate showcase of musical gems - Bach's most bubbling Brandenburg; the original string quartet setting of *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*; Vivaldi's rediscovered masterpiece (lost for over two centuries), and a sweet selection of musical surprises to thrill the ear and lift the spirit.

Concert program:

Bach: Brandenburg Concerto No. 4 Mozart: Eine kleine Nachtmusik

Vivaldi: Gloria

A pre-concert reception will be held prior to the concert beginning at 6:30 p.m.; please refer to www.rochestersymphony.org for more details.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Marketing Director

Radiothon



For the 15th straight year, KNXR 97.5 FM radio will be hosting **Radiothon**, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale's largest an-

nual fundraiser, and this year a continuation of our "Keep Our Symphony Sound" campaign. This year especially, we rely on the support of our donors to continue to share the gift of high-quality musical performances and unique educational programs with our community.

We will be broadcasting live from the KNXR studio on Saturday, January 23, and Sunday, January 24. Tune in to enjoy highlights from past Rochester Symphony & Chorale concerts, listen to conversations between popular radio hosts & your friends in the community, and most important to pledge your support!

The Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale is a non-profit, federally registered 501(c) (3) organization. Cash contributions are fully tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Radiothon pledge forms may be downloaded directly from the website at www.rochestersymphony.org.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Marketing Director

RSOC Aspiring Conductor Contest Candidates To Be Announced

The fourth annual "Aspiring Conductor" contest will kick off with the announcement of five candidates from our community during Radiothon. Five "aspiring conductors" will compete for the chance to conduct the Symphony Orchestra and Chorale during one selection at the April 24 "A Night in the Tropics" concert.

Each contestant will compete by getting donations for RSOC. The contestant who raises the most funds will earn the opportunity to conduct at the April 24 concert. Last year the contest raised nearly \$10,000. The winner, Jennifer Taylor, conducted a piece at the spring concert.

The RSOC Aspiring Conductor contest is a concept used in other cities around the country. The LaCrosse Symphony Orchestra and Chorale *Conductor Wannabe* contest has been very successful

Be sure to support the candidate of your choice. Contribution envelopes will be available from the candidates, at the concerts, or at the RSOC office at 400 South Broadway. You may also support your candidate by credit card by calling the RSOC office at 286-8742. For more information about the contest and each of the candidates, please visit the RSOC website after January 31 at www.rochestersymphony.org.

Anne Judisch, Sharon Schmoll RSOC Aspiring Conductor Co-Chairs

Meet RMG Board Member Kevin Dobbe



The Board of Directors was very pleased last year to add Kevin Dobbe as a member with responsibility for the Lunch and Learn series. Within a very brief period of time, Kevin had planned a series of six programs; the first two were very well received and drew excellent attendance. Information about upcoming programs is available in this issue of *Bravo*.

Of course, this is a natural fit for Kevin's talents since he has been a teacher of music at Rochester Community and Technical College for twenty years, has composed compositions for numerous community organizations, performed in jazz groups, and specializes now in the creation of interactive arts.

Kevin was brought up in Appleton, Wisconsin. His mother was a pianist, and Kevin was "singing before he could stand up." Over the years he has sung in many school and church choirs, and directed music at several churches as well. He remains a loyal Green Bay Packer fan despite the last 28 years living in Viking territory. Fortunately, he cheers for the Vikings as well, at least when they are not playing Green Bay.

He continued his musical education following high school at the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh, majoring in composition and vocal music. His studies continued at Kent State University, where he received a Master's Degree in Music. At the University of Minnesota, he completed a PhD in Music Education.

Kevin moved to Rochester in 1982. He became the choir director at the Unitarian Universalist Church, and taught at Lourdes High School and St. Mary's University prior to obtaining his position at RCTC.

Kevin and Teresa Tomlie have been married for 25 years. Teresa is also a music educator, giving private piano instruction and serving as an Academic Advisor at RCTC. She specializes in assisting students with learning disabilities.

Composition is Kevin's first love in music. He has written compositions for the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale, the Choral Arts Ensemble, SEMYO, local high schools, Minnesota Public Radio, the Rochester Civic Theater, and the Honors Choir. He specializes now in the Creation of Interactive Arts (sound, video and lights) and has displays at the Art Center, the Double Tree Hotel, the Bio-Business Building, and the University Center, all in Rochester, plus the Southern Theater in Minneapolis. He has two displays in Wisconsin – at the Wisconsin Institute for Discovery, and the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Being a composer, he has studied most instruments, but has a special love for playing the drums in jazz combos. Look for the John Paulson Jazz Quartet in the April Lunch and Learn program - a *must see*!.

Despite his many faceted life, Kevin appears relaxed, is humorous, and just a nice person to know.

Glenn VanLaningham

Meet RMG Board Member Drew Durtschi



Drew Durtschi is in his first year as a member of the RMG board, chairing the RMG annual Scholarship Competition for young musicians. Drew came to Rochester just 18 months ago, when he graduated from Weber State University in Ogden, UT where he studied piano performance as well as clinical lab science. He chose to accept a position

with Mayo Clinic in order to take advantage of their graduate program which is open to all employees. He is currently enrolled in their master's program in molecular biology. His work at the clinic is in the field of molecular hematopathology, and involves genetic testing for different types of leukemia. He enjoys the work and says he has learned a lot here.

Drew studied piano in college under Lydia Wu. He loves most of all to play Chopin, but includes Rachmaninoff and Brahms as favorites for listening. He continues to play piano and organ here in Rochester at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and was excited to become involved in the RMG scholarship competition last year. He is enthusiastic about continuing the work done for several years by Jackie James and Chris Parisi, the former co-chairs of the scholarship competition.

Drew's other experiences include time spent in missionary service to the Haitian immigrant community in the Bahamas and south Florida. Drew is fluent in Haitian (a French-Creole dialect), if you know anyone looking for an interpreter.

Drew also spends time every week running with the Rochester Track Club. Last year he trained with the club to run a full marathon, the Whistlestop Marathon which begins in Iron River, Wisconsin and finishes in Ashland, Wisconsin on Lake Superior's south shore. This marathon offers "spectacular fall colors... and the best in pre-and post-race blues music." It's easy to see why the WhistleStop appealed to Drew! A foot injury kept him from running the full marathon this year, but he did complete the half marathon and plans to compete in the full marathon next year

Although he is obviously a person of diverse interests, Drew states that music is his "passion" and will always be an important part of his life. He is grateful for music when he comes home from work, sits down and plays a Chopin nocturne, and "everything seems okay." We are grateful for Drew's enthusiasm and dedication to our mission of helping young musicians through our scholarship competition, and we welcome him to our Board.

Joyce Lewis



Lunch & Learn

Our Lunch & Learn program has been very popular, featuring performances and education in an informal and convivial environment. This season we continue to instruct and entertain.

The final three Lunch & Learn programs for this year are as follows:

Monday, February 8, 2010: Pure Passion



Maestro Jere Lantz returns and will present music excerpts and discuss Wagner's *Prelude and Love Death* from *Tristan and Isolde*, selections of Bizet's *Carmen*, Khachaturian's *Suite from Spartacus*, and

Tchaikovsky's Romeo and

Juliet. This presentation will be fun and informative, but could also serve as a great way to prepare for the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale's concert on Saturday, February 20, 2010, at 7:30 pm.

This program will be held at Charter House. The buffet lunch starts at 11:30 and is available for \$8.50, or bring your own "brown bag". Reservations for the lunch should be made by Thursday, February 4th, with Phyllis Layton at 288-1197 or by e-mail to pdodgel@aol.com (just provide your name). The presentation will run from 12:00 to 1:00.

Friday, March 12, 2010: The ART of Singing



Carla Thelen-Hanson (shown), soprano and Ainhoa Urkijo, pianist, will present a series of "Art Song" compositions from various time periods. Projected behind the performers will be correlating visual works from

visual artists from that time period as selected by the Chief Curator of the Rochester Art Center, Kris Douglas.

This program will be held at the Rochester Art Center. The buffet lunch, catered by Daube's, starts at 11:30 and is available for \$8.50, or bring your own "brown bag". **Reservations for the lunch should be made by Wednesday, March 10th, with Phyllis Layton** at 288-1197 or by e-mail to pdodgel@aol.com (just provide your name). The presentation will run from 12:00 to 1:00.

Friday, April 9, 2010: The ART of Jazz



Jazz is one of America's true original art forms. Come join guest artists Dr. John Paulson (shown), woodwinds, Dr. Kevin Dobbe, percussion, Larry Price, piano, Denny McGuire, bass, and Carla Thelen-Hansen, vocals, for

a presentation and discussion of jazz music and improvisation. Kris Douglas, Chief Curator from the Rochester Art Center, will project corresponding visual art works by a number of "jazz-influenced" artists to the music and improvisation of jazz.

This program will be held at the Rochester Art Center. The buffet lunch, catered by Daube's, starts at 11:30 and is available for \$8.50, or bring your own "brown bag". **Reservations for the lunch should be made by Wednesday, April 7th, with Phyllis Layton** at 288-1197 or by e-mail to pdodgel@aol.com (just provide your name). The presentation will run from 12:00 to 1:00.

Kevin Dobbe, Lunch & Learn Chair

HoNk*SQuEAk*ScRaTcH*BOOM!

On Saturday, January 9, the now familiar sounds of *Honk, Squeak, Scratch, Boom!* resounded throughout the Mayo Civic Center at the 14th annual musical instrument try-out workshop put on by the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale.

This free-to-the-public event features RSOC musicians and volunteers assisting 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students as they try out musical instruments. The RSOC originated this program, designed to help students experience the feel and sounds of musical instruments through minimusic lessons. In the past 14 years, over 3000 children have tried out orchestra instruments in more than 15,000 mini lessons.

As always, members of the Rochester Music Guild helped in both the morning and afternoon sessions. Thank you to all those who volunteered. Thanks also to the teachers who volunteered, because they felt that this was an excellent program for our schools.

All of our volunteers have provided a wonderful experience for our young people, who will be the foundation of the future music programs in our Rochester community.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Marketing Director

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