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President's Notes

Thus begins the forty-sixth season of the Rochester Music Guild – for “the promotion of music appreciation, education, and performance in Rochester and environs,” (mission statement). This is a major challenge, but in pulling together talent within our community to serve on the Board of Directors, and by coordinating many projects throughout the years, we have continuously strived to meet this mission. Many of our current projects will be highlighted in this issue.

It is my privilege to lead this group throughout the year; however, I first wish to express my admiration and appreciation to DeAnn Spencer, the president during the past two years, for her creativity and leadership. It should make it easy for me to follow since much of what she has initiated will develop more fully during this year. DeAnn worked many hours to achieve so much for all of the goals stated above. I will comment on only a few highlights of her tenure.

First, she spearheaded a very special evening each fall of her presidency for member recognition. Each evening had a theme plus a lovely dinner. Members enjoyed these events immensely. The first of these programs highlighted musical organizations in the community, giving each a chance to tell their story. The second year we were treated to professional operatic talent. Hey...the food was terrific as well!

She spearheaded an expansion of our organization's program of grants to local programs that focus on excellence in musical performance, especially those presenting opportunities for our youth. Her leadership also led to expansion of our Scholarship Competition, increasing our categories to include divisions for middle school students separate from older students. To do so

required additional funding, and DeAnn stepped forward again, raising funds to make expansion in three categories possible.

Well, I could go on, but I know she did not do any of this to take any personal credit. I am counting on her as past president to assist me in seeing these advancements continue and grow. I am pleased that we were able to interest a very talented instructor in music at the Rochester Community and Technical College to join our ranks. Matt Hafar, who has taught at the college for four years, joined our board and has now agreed to serve as president-elect. Matt has been active in both the membership and grants committees.

With funds now available through the South-eastern Minnesota Arts Council by the legislature and the heritage fund, DeAnn and Kevin Dobbe both spearheaded efforts to bring a portion of these funds back to our area. With these two grants, we will be able to continue the expansion of the Scholarship Competition, and enhance the very successful Lunch & Learn Program. The final L&L program of the season hit an attendance high of about 90 people. Kevin has already put together an outstanding program for this year. These educational programs are available at no cost to the public. Of course, there is a fee to cover the lunch, but brown bags are welcome as well.

I would love to elaborate further about the work of other board members during the past year; however, my space is limited, and you will be able to read about other aspects of the Rochester Music Guild on the following pages. Perhaps I have whetted your appetite to read on!

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**2011 Young Musicians
Scholarship Competition**

The 47th annual Young Musicians Scholarship Competition will be held in January and February of 2011. The Rochester Music Guild will award a total of \$6300 in scholarships to high school and middle school winners in five categories – piano, string instruments, wind instruments, voice, and guitar.

For the first time, the Scholarship Competition will have preliminary and final rounds in Piano, Strings, Winds, and Voice. The Guitar division is also new in 2011.

Additional Camp Scholarships are also available to talented music students in need of financial assistance to further their musical development. Students who live within a 50-mile radius of Rochester are eligible to compete.

COMPETITION CATEGORIES**Piano**

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Strings

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Winds (Brass or Woodwinds)

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Voice

Junior Division – Grades 8-10
Senior Division – Grades 11-12

Guitar

Grades 7-12

2011 COMPETITION DATES**Preliminary Round - Piano**

Saturday, January 29, 2011
Christ United Methodist Church, Rochester

Preliminary Round – Strings, Winds, Voice

Final Round – Guitar
Saturday, February 5, 2011
Rochester Community & Technical College

Final Round – Piano, Strings, Winds, Voice

Saturday, February 19, 2011
Christ United Methodist Church, Rochester

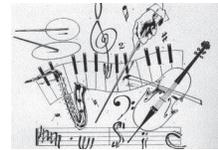
Winners Recital

Sunday, February 27, 2011
First Presbyterian Church, Rochester

Information and application forms are available at rochestermusicguild.org. Details also will be mailed to area music teachers and schools later this fall. The application deadline is December

15, 2010. This is a wonderful opportunity for young musicians in our area—please be sure to spread the word!

DeAnn Spencer and Drew Durtschi,
Scholarship Co-Chairs

**Music Audition/
Competition
Workshop**

This year, for the first time, Rochester Music Guild is offering a **free** music workshop for music educators, students, and parents. Join us to learn how to successfully prepare for middle school, high school, and college music auditions/competitions.

The workshop will be held on Saturday October 30, 2010, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm, at Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Fifth Avenue SW, Rochester.

We will have breakout sessions (piano, strings, winds, voice) with audition tips for solo/ensemble competitions, youth orchestra/choir auditions, MMTA, All-State, music camps, college auditions, scholarships & more.

For more information, call 507-285-0970 or e-mail DeAnn Spencer at deann.spencer@gmail.com

This activity is funded, in part, by the Minnesota arts and cultural heritage fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

2010 Senior Scholarship Awards

Each spring, the Rochester Music Guild awards a \$150 scholarship to a senior at each of Rochester's three public high schools. The students, recognized for musical excellence and dedication, are selected by the music faculty at each school.

Two of the awards are given in memory of Sid Suddendorf, a long-time music consultant for the Rochester School District. This year's Suddendorf scholarship award winners were Kelly Adkins (John Marshall High School) and Minsoo Kim (Mayo High School).

The Rochester Music Guild funds a third scholarship for a senior at Century High School and this year Patrick Testa received that award. All the scholarships were presented to the students at Senior Award ceremonies this past May.

DeAnn Spencer and Drew Durtschi,
Scholarship Co-Chairs

Membership

Have you renewed your membership with Rochester Music Guild for 2010-2011? Have you invited a friend to join the organization? If the answer is no, there is still time. The membership application can be clipped from the back page of this newsletter and mailed to RMG with your payment.

All new and renewing members will be eligible for ticket drawings at our *Lunch & Learn* program on October 29.

We are excited about the upcoming season and what we can do to provide support for music in the Rochester community. Our organization continues to provide both volunteers and financial support for the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale. Our annual scholarship competition awards multiple scholarships to area students. Additionally, we grant funds to non-profit organizations for the promotion of music appreciation through education and performance.

We sponsor a free monthly educational series known as *Lunch & Learn*, featuring a variety of topics and musicians. For these programs, you can bring your own lunch, you can purchase lunch, or you can purchase dessert and coffee. You will also receive notices of special music events throughout our area.

Membership dues provide the base for all of these activities. Please consider becoming a new member or renewing your membership. And, be sure to also invite your friends and neighbors to join Rochester Music Guild.

Lois Johnson, Membership Chair

***Win free tickets
to an RSOC concert of your
choice
or tickets to another local
music concert!***



***Join or renew your membership
by October 27
and be eligible to win!***

***Tickets will be drawn on October 29
from names of all members current as
of October 27. You need not be present
to win.***

Special Perk for RMG Members

(if you haven't joined yet ... join now!)



The Lyra Baroque Orchestra of St. Paul is graciously offering **free tickets to all of our members** for the second of five concerts to be held in Rochester this season. The concert is on Friday, October 29, 7:30 pm, at the Zumbro Lutheran Church. It is Music of Bach's Good Friends - Graupner, Fasch and Telemann. For **free tickets** for you and members of your family, please call Glenn VanLaningham at 289-2668, or notify him by email at vanlaninghams@charter.net.

Baroque music is from the era of Bach, Haydn, Mozart and Vivaldi. The organization was founded in 1985 by musicians in the Twin Cities area - performers, composers and educators. The orchestra has performed in many cities in the United States and Europe.

Lyra is seeking to expand its base of support in Rochester, and is making this phenomenal offer. Just let me know in time to get tickets ordered and sent to you.



Meet Board Member Lois Johnson

Lois joined the RMG board last June, and really hit the ground running! She took on the job of Membership Chair, which meant getting the annual Membership mailing out during the summer. She did an excellent job, and the new member applications and renewals are just pouring in!

It's not surprising that Lois has super organizational skills when you find out that she retired to Rochester after a long career in bank operations and technology. She was with First Bank System for 23 years and retired as Executive Vice President of Key Bank in Washington.

Lois is actually a Minnesota native, growing up on a farm in NW Minnesota. She attended the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities, earning her degree from the Carlson School of Management, which is the business school of the U of M. Her career included working as a Systems Analyst for a manufacturing company in Germany, several years in St. Paul and Minneapolis and then in Tacoma, Washington. She came to Rochester when she retired and married a college friend from when they attended the University. Lowell owned his own business, in Dodge Center, exporting construction equipment and parts to the Western Pacific islands.

One of the first things the Johnsons did when they got settled in Rochester was to sign up for season tickets to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale, which led inevitably to a connection with the Rochester Music Guild. Lois had a lifelong interest in music, growing up with seven sisters who all sang wherever and whenever they got a chance. Lois also played bassoon in her high school band. Her sisters all still sing in their church choirs across four states and the eight of them still sing whenever they are together. .

Lois is active as a volunteer with her church, Zumbro Lutheran, Paws & Claws, Festival of Trees for Hiawatha Homes, the Mayo hospice program, and political candidates. Lois and Lowell even provide a loving home for 15 feral and abandoned cats on their property in Dodge Center! They have an office and warehouse and other buildings on seven acres so the cats can go in and out at will and wander where they want. There are lots of heated beds and food and water and few ever leave again!

Lois's primary hobby, in addition to music, has been a lifelong interest in traveling. While working in Germany, she took an extended camping vacation around the Mediterranean Sea. She says that was back "when I was young and foolish." It must have turned out well, however, because she continues to travel abroad to this day, and has visited all seven continents touring the majority of countries and islands.

Lois has had, and continues to have, a very exciting life, and we are lucky that she is willing to take time out from all that fun to work with us on the board of the Rochester Music Guild.

Joyce Lewis



Meet Board Member Matt Hafar

Matt Hafar was welcomed to the RMG Board of Directors in June of this year. Matt is deeply involved in music – both as a performer and a teacher. He brings to the board a youthful enthusiasm, and an interest in community involvement. At the September meeting of the board, Matt was elected to the position of president-elect.

Currently, Matt is an Instructor of Music at RCTC where he is beginning his fourth year. He teaches music theory, and world music, and instructs students in brass instruments. As part of his community involvement, he sings in the choir and directs the brass ensemble at the Zumbro Lutheran Church.

Matt grew up in Marshalltown, Iowa, where his parents continue to reside. He graduated from St. Olaf College in Northfield, and continued his studies at the University of Iowa, where he earned an M.A. in trombone, eventually graduating with a Ph.D. in music theory.

Before coming to Rochester, he taught at Winston-Salem State University in North Carolina for 12 years and at Adams State College in Colorado for 4 years.

He played trombone in the Winston-Salem Symphony and subbed with many other orchestras in NC and Iowa. He also played the sackbut in an early music ensemble in NC and sang with the Piedmont Chamber Singers.

Despite residing in several states since his upbringing and education in Iowa, Matt has remained an enthusiastic fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes. He hosts a weekly game watch at Beetle's for Hawkeye football fans. So far this year, they have had a lot to cheer about! Matt's companion is a beautiful greyhound named Lena.

Matt leaped enthusiastically into the work of the Guild, being a member of the executive, membership and grants committees. He recently returned from a one week business trip to Vienna, Austria. Tough assignment!

Glenn VanLaningham

***For the latest information on the activities of
the Rochester Music Guild,
check out our website:***

rochestermusicguild.org

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Lunch & Learn

The 2010-2011 Lunch & Learn programs are organized and ready to go! We kicked off the season on Monday, September 27, with Jere Lantz's ever-popular and informative commentary on the next RSOC concert, which took place the following Saturday night, October 2, at Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall. The Maestro will return to Charter House on Monday, February 14, to talk to us about "Wagner and the Gods". The rest of the Lunch & Learn sessions for the season will be held at our new venue, the Rochester Art Center. This is a great downtown central location that has proven to be a wonderful place to see and hear the diverse Lunch & Learn sessions. Lunches can be ordered at the cost of \$8.50 by calling Carol Benson at 252-1314. Lunch is at 11:30 am; programs begin at 12:00 noon.

Here are the dates and descriptions of the rest of the Rochester Music Guild's 2010-2011 season:

Friday, October 29th, 2010:

David Whetstone, Sitarist



David is a sitarist-disciple of the renowned Ustad Vilayat Khan, having begun his studies in 1971 with Brian Silver. In 1988 he received an American Institute of Indian Studies Senior Research Fellowship, and has collaborated and toured for over 20 years with poet Robert Bly and Rumi translator Coleman Barks, resulting in numerous recordings and films. In 1992 he co-founded and was Artistic Director of Minneapolis' Ragamala Music and Dance Theater, supplying the entire repertoire from 1992-1997. In 1999 he premiered excerpts of his new opera, *White Nights*, with the Rochester (MN) Orchestra and Chorus, soloist Dan Dressen, and conductor Jere Lantz.

Friday, November 12th, 2010:

Carla Thelen Hanson (Soprano) & Ainhoa Urkijo (Piano)



This exciting duo has quickly become a regional favorite! The virtuosity and artistic sensitivity of these two artists required an encore from the 2010 season. [Carla Thelen Hanson](#) is garnering attention for prolific performances in leading roles with companies nationwide including a recent *Tosaca* performance with the New York City Opera. [Ainhoa Urkijo](#), a native of Bilbao, Spain, has performed in concert hall throughout Europe and the United States. The two will join forces to provide a brief tour and history of the opera aria.

Monday, February 14th, 2011:

Wagner and the Gods



Maestro Jere Lantz will present a pre-concert discussion of the February 19th performance by the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale.

This program will be held at Charter House.

Friday, March 25th, 2011:

Vecchione/Erdahl Duo (Oboe & Double-Bass)



Called "pioneers" by Minnesota Public Radio for "forging ahead with a new chamber music combination", the engaging and entertaining [Vecchione/Erdahl Duo](#) charts new territory for their combination of instruments in music that is accessible, challenging, enlightening, and virtuosic. This award-winning chamber group of a different color will share with you their own repertoire of evocative music influenced by ethnic folk songs, dances and All-American jazz.

Friday, April 15th, 2011:

Horacio Nuguid (Brahms Horn Trio)



Pianist **Horacio Nuguid** has inspired and captivated listeners in Asia, Europe and North America. He received a DMA from the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign. The Brahms Piano, Horn, and Clarinet trio is a giant in the Romantic Music genre. Excerpts from the Brahms Trio and discussion of the April 16th concert will be presented.

Friday, May 6th, 2011:

John Paulson Jazz Quartet



Back by popular demand, this ensemble will present both original and jazz standards with a touch of informational commentary. The quartet features **Dr. John Paulson** (saxophones and flute); **Eric Heukeshoven** (piano); **Dr. Kevin Dobbe** (Drums) and **Terry Grosskopf** (Acoustic Bass).



Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale

Sounds of the Symphony

The Rochester Music Guild is a strong supporter of the youth education programs of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale.

Each year the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale presents the popular one-day workshop -“HoNk*SqUeAk*ScRaTcH*BoOm,” - an opportunity for youngsters to try out musical instruments with the assistance of professional musicians.

In the same spirit of education, *Sounds of the Symphony* is a traveling program which brings RSOC musicians into the classrooms. Throughout the school year, RSOC musicians pay visits to small groups of third to fifth graders at schools in Rochester and surrounding communities to demonstrate musical sounds and answer questions, at no cost to the schools or students. For the 2010-11 school year, we are scheduled to present 33 sessions at 16 schools including Lanesboro, Chatfield, Triton/Dodge Center and Elgin as well as most Rochester public and private schools.

This year Rochester Music Guild generously provided \$2,000 for the project, as part of their mission to “promote the art of music through appreciation, education, and performance in Rochester and environs.”

Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale is grateful for Rochester Music Guild's partnership in *Sounds of the Symphony* and for its continuing volunteer support of the annual HoNk, SQuEaK, ScRaTcH BoOm!

Laurie Mona, RSOC Interim Executive Director

Upcoming Concerts

Join the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale as we continue our concert season with a celebration of **Scotland** — 7:30 p.m., Saturday, November 6, at Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall. As Maestro Jere Lantz says in his program notes “Composers from many nations and cultures have found the landscape and folk music of Scotland fascinating ...” This program features Mendelssohn: Hebrides Overture (Fingal’s Cave); Mackenzie: Benedictus; Arnold: Scottish Dances; Davies: Orkney Wedding & Sunrise with guest bagpiper Michael Breidenbach; and Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 3 (Scottish).

Bring the whole family to **Holiday Cinema and Song** on Saturday, December 18, 7:30 p.m. at Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall. You’ll enjoy music from favorite holiday films like *White Christmas*, *The Polar Express*, and *It’s a Wonderful Life* plus Hannukah dances, carol favorites. and sing-alongs.

Check out the RSOC website (www.rochestersymphony.org) a week or two before the concert for more details and also to review other special offers available to RSOC patrons. Questions? Just call the RSOC office at 507-286-8742.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Interim Executive Director

Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale

*HoNk*SqUeAk*ScRaTcH*BoOm!*

The 15th annual “Honk, Squeak, Scratch, Boom” will be held at the Mayo Civic Center on Saturday, January 22, 2011. All students in 4th-6th grade are welcome to attend this free musical instrument trial workshop assisted by the professional musicians of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale.

This program is designed to help students experience the feel and sounds of musical instruments through mini-music lessons on orchestra instruments including strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Interim Executive Director

Rochester Music Guild *Bravo!* newsletter is making an effort to conserve resources by moving from a printed newsletter to an e-mail or online format. You can help by making sure we have your current e-mail address. Currently, the *Bravo!* newsletter is available in 3 formats: printed, e-mail, and on the web-site.

E-mail pres@rochestermusicguild.org with your new or updated e-mail address, or call Joyce Lewis at 288-4785.

Election Candidates and the Arts

The Minnesota Citizens for the Arts surveyed legislative and gubernatorial candidates from all parties about their support for the arts. The responses (or lack of) from Rochester area districts 29 and 30 can be found here:

<http://www.mncitizensforthearts.org/actnow/legislatorssupport/2010-district-29/>

<http://www.mncitizensforthearts.org/actnow/legislatorssupport/2010-district-30/>

MCA also surveyed the candidates for governor on their views on the arts:

<http://www.mncitizensforthearts.org/actnow/legislatorssupport/dayton/>

<http://www.mncitizensforthearts.org/actnow/legislatorssupport/horner/>

Rep Emmer did not respond.

No current information is available yet on the Congressional District 1 candidates.

Sylvie T. Nickel, Arts Advocate



Do we have your e-mail address?

Lack of time and money (the lack of, that is) preclude the Music Guild from sending members interesting and pertinent arts-related information through US mail.



But if you will give us an e-mail address, we can quickly and inexpensively share:

2010-11 Rochester Musical Performances calendar
Citizens for the Arts information on candidates and legislation
Classical Post from MPR
Reminders of Music Guild *Lunch & Learn* presentations
News of "late-breaking" musical opportunities, such as the handbell convention, Rose Ensemble, Vintage Band Festival, Winona Legacy Weekend, etc

Please consider including your e-mail address on your membership renewal form or, if you forgot when you renewed, you can send an e-mail update to your Arts Advocate:

nickelsylv@charter.net

Thanks!

Sylvie T. Nickel, Arts Advocate

Third Annual Rochester ARTStoberFEST

Happy National Arts and Humanities Month!



Mayor Ardell Brede has again proclaimed the month of October as **ARTStoberFEST** in Rochester and called upon citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our city.

This month-long festival is a great opportunity to discover (or re-discover) the wonderful panoply of arts offered in the Rochester area. We urge you to *participate* in as many events as you can, to *get involved* in the arts/organizations closest to your heart, and to *be inspired* daily!



The Rochester Arts Council website, <http://rochestermnarts.com/events/artstoberfest>, describes the month's many activities. Featured "keynote events" include:

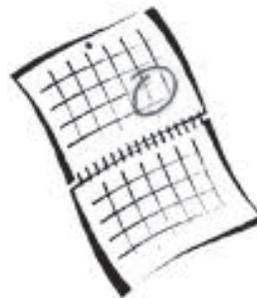
Choral Arts Ensemble "Music of the Masters" concert, **October 9-10**

Rochester Art Center "Empty Bowls" fundraiser for the hungry, **October 21**

Lyra Baroque Orchestra's "Bach's Good Friends" concert, **October 29**

Sylvie T. Nickel, Arts Advocate

2010-11 Musical Performance Calendar



The third annual compilation of local musical performances was distributed via email early in September. This year I've tried to note all the *FREE* performances (where, of course, donations are always welcome). What a lot of great opportunities!

In response to comments and requests, the calendar has been expanded to include programs from Rochester Civic

Music's "Riverside Live" series, the RCTC Music Dept, and the "Americana Showcase" presented by the Rochester Civic Theatre.

Hopefully, information on these additional events will be helpful in planning your "musical year".

Also, website addresses for the represented organizations are included at the end of the calendar, to make it easier to check out details, additional performances, etc.

Please, I welcome your comments, corrections, and suggestions! (nickelsylv@charter.net)

I do plan to update the calendar again in a few months, and will continue to send out "special notices" as I learn of them.

And if you need a[nother] copy, it's available on the Music Guild website, www.rochestermusicguild.org.

Looks like a great season!

Sylvie T. Nickel, Arts Advocate



**Herberger's
Community Day
Saturday,
November 13, 2010**

Herberger's Fall Community Day event is scheduled for Saturday, November 13.

Our members earn money for Guild education and scholarship programs, as well as for our Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale support, by buying and selling coupon books. This is a great fundraiser as the Guild gets to keep **100%** of the money from any coupon packets we sell.

Coupon books are available for \$5.00 and offer a wide range of great discounts--just in time for holiday buying. One of the coupons is for **\$10.00** off, so all you need to do is purchase one item on Community Day to double your \$5.00.

In mid-October, two coupon books along with more information on the sale will be mailed out to members. Please watch for this mailing and plan to support our organization by purchasing the books for yourself or selling them to friends.

If you would like to buy a book in advance (or pick up several to sell), please contact me, Linda Anderson (269-3129) or any Board member.

Linda Anderson, Member-at-Large



Garden of Note

Thanks to 14 wonderful sellers, members of the RMG board, and many buyers of vouchers, we had a successful partnership sale with the two Sargent's Nurseries. With total sales and donations of almost \$25,000, after expenses we cleared \$4,906 for the Guild. Shirley Edmonson was our top seller for 2010.

Thanks to our sellers: Virginia Anderson, Nancy Brubaker, Nan Douglas, Barbara Eakins, Shirley Edmonson, Jean Gutschenritter, Ann Judisch, Lois Kennel, Judy Kereakos, Phyllis Layton, Carla Nelson, Deedee Odell, Diane Witzig, Janet Woods, and RMG board members.

The profits support our scholarship program and our pledge to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale. The Music Guild appreciates the many volunteer hours of our sales team and the support of the Rochester community. May your gardens always be beautiful with your items from the use of the Sargent's vouchers.

Our wonderful sellers could use your help in 2011, so please think about joining them in the spring!

Barbara Eakins and Ann Petit, Co-Chairs



**Young Musicians
Recitals**

The Rochester Music Guild, along with the Rochester Area Keyboard Club/Local Association and the Southeastern Minnesota Suzuki Association, is proud to support the Young Musicians of Southeastern Minnesota recital series for teenage classical musicians, now in its 7th season!

December and January recitals will be held again this year at The First Unitarian Universalist Church at 1727 Walden Lane SW in Rochester. The March recital will be held at the Rochester Art Center Grand Atrium, 40 Civic Center Drive SE in Rochester.

The first concert will be held on Friday, December 10, 2010, at 7:00 pm. Musicians must register for this concert by December 3.

The second concert will be held on Friday, January 21, 2011, at 7:00 pm. Musicians must register for this concert by January 14.

The third and final concert will be held on Friday, March 18, 2011, at 7:00 pm. Musicians must register for this concert by March 11, 2011.

Students must be 13 years of age or older to perform. Solo and ensemble performances are welcome. Performers should represent the highest standards of preparation and musicality. Memorization is preferred. Students must find and pay their own accompanists.

There is no performance fee. A basket for donations will be displayed at each event. Please consider a donation to keep our expenses as low as possible.

Teachers may register two students for each program by mail, phone, or e-mail. You need not be a member of one of the sponsoring organizations to present a student. We wish to include as many teachers and students as possible from all around our area.

Registration must include the student's name, a complete description of the piece to be performed, contact information, and the name of the school that the student attends.

To register a student, or if you have questions and/or comments, please contact:

Barbara Bartleson
2303 Crest Lane SW
Rochester, MN 55902
286-9230
or bwbartleson@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

October 29, 2010
Lunch & Learn
David Whetstone, Sitarist
Rochester Art Center
11:30 am
(see article on page 5)

October 30, 2010
SEMYO
Just for Kids Concert
(all ensembles)
Location: TBD
10:30 am

November 6, 2010
RSOC Concert
Scotland
Mayo Civic Center
Presentation Hall—7:30 pm

November 12, 2010
Lunch & Learn
Carla Thelen Hanson
and Ainhua Urkijo
Rochester Art Center
11:30 am
(see article on page 5)

November 13, 2010
Herberger's Community Day
(see article on this page)

November 14, 2010
SEMYO
Fall Concert
(all ensembles)
Location: TBD
2:00 pm

December 10, 2010
Young Musicians Recital
First Unitarian Universalist
Church—7:00 pm

December 15, 2010
RMG Scholarship
Application Deadline

December 18, 2010
RSOC Concert
Holiday Cinema and Song
Mayo Civic Center
Presentation Hall—7:30 pm

January 21, 2011
Young Musicians Recital
First Unitarian Universalist
Church—7:00 pm

January 22, 2011
*HoNk*SqUeAk*ScRaTcH*BoOm*
Mayo Civic Center

For many years the Rochester Music Guild published and mailed a directory to all members. In an attempt to make the best use of our resources, we decided, at the beginning of the 2009-2010 year, to provide a printed directory or an e-directory only upon request. If you wish to receive a member directory, please contact Lois Johnson at 529-0943 or DeAnn Spencer at 285-0970.

A list with names of the current members is included below. Current members will also be acknowledged in the printed programs for Lunch & Learn events.

Rochester Music Guild Scholarship Fund Contributions

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