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News from Rochester Music Guild

Dedicated to Music Appreciation, Education and Performance Today and Tomorrow

From the President

I trust everyone had a wonderful holiday season and happy new year. It's January and I'm sitting in my office watching the snow slowly fall. It's a new year and the Rochester Music Guild has some exciting plans ahead. Read through the newsletter to get caught up on what's happening with the guild.

I would like to invite anyone who has not renewed their membership to still do so. We are a few memberships behind and really depend on your support to continue the work of the guild. In addition, our new membership chair, Warren Bandel, has been working on some new ideas for all of you. When Warren asks someone to join the RMG, many people respond with "What's in it for me?" The immediate benefit is knowing that you would be among a group of people who are dedicated to the arts in the Rochester community. I initially joined knowing that my membership dues supported the arts in Rochester, supported the scholarship competition of which I had students competing, and more. You can support us as well by renewing your membership. It's NEVER too late.

In addition, the board has been discussing ways to enhance our members benefits. Warren Bandel has many new ideas regarding 'perks' our members would receive. We will keep you all updated as these ideas transpire.

Thanks for your continued support.

Jennifer Taylor
RMG President

Music Events:

Friday, January 24, 7:30 pm – Zumbro Lutheran Church

Lyra Baroque Orchestra: *Bach & the Baroque*. RMG members & friends may attend free.

Saturday, January 25, 7:30 pm – State Theatre, Zumbrota

Crossings Concert: *Whitesidewalls Rock 'n Roll Revue and Michael Patrick "Records" Ryan – "Love Potion # 10."* Touch all the bases on a trip through the great music of 1954 through 1964, the golden age of rock and roll!

Monday, January 27, 12:00 pm – Charter House

Rochester Music Guild: *Lunch & Learn – Happy Birthday Mozart! Featuring Jere Lantz. Free program.*

Saturday, February 1, 7:30 pm – Crossings at Carnegie, Zumbrota

Crossings Concert: *Peter Mulvey – Indie-folk. Mirthful, baritone voice; poetic and narrative lyrics. And stories!*

Saturday, February 8, 11:55 am – Hollywood 12 CineMagic Theatres

The Met – Live in HD: Dvořák's *Rusalka*

Saturday, February 8, 2:00pm and 7:30pm – Lourdes High School

Rochester Symphony Orchestra Concert: *Cityscapes – Mozart, Barber, Bernstein, Copland and Respighi.*

Saturday, February 8, 7:30 pm – Crossings at Carnegie, Zumbrota

Crossings Concert: *The Tex Pistols Band – Rockin' Americana... Yee Haw!*

Sunday, February 9, 4:00 pm – First Presbyterian Church

A Festival of Music: *Lee J. Afdahl and Friends Annual "Organ-Plus" Program.*

Lyra Baroque

Lyra Baroque is presenting this month's concert at Zumbro Lutheran Church on Friday, January 24, 2014 at 7:30 pm. Bach & the Baroque features Ricardo Kanji on recorder and flute. Your membership entitles you to a voucher for a free ticket. When you go to the concert, find the RMG table and a member will give you a voucher for a free ticket. This is a huge 'perk' for our membership.

Upcoming Lunch and Learn Events

All events follow the same format:

11:30am—Lunch

12:00-12:45pm—FREE program

\$10 catered lunch*—bag lunches welcome

*Contact Corey Henke one week prior to each event to reserve a lunch:
rmglunch@gmail.com or 507-696-2023.

Happy Birthday Mozart! Monday, January 27th, 2014

Featuring Jere Lantz

Charter House (Northview Room)—211 2nd St NW, Rochester MN

Maestro Lantz will give a preview of the upcoming Rochester Symphony Orchestra Cityscapes concert. For more information on the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale visit rochestersymphony.org.

Woodwinds 101 Friday, February 14th, 2014

Featuring Pavia Winds

Zumbro Lutheran Church (Fireside Room)—624 3rd Ave SW, Rochester MN

Twin Cities group, Pavia Winds, will perform music from their repertoire and give listeners an inside look at the instruments of the woodwind quintet. For more information visit paviawinds.com.

Brass 101 Friday, March 7th, 2014

Featuring Med City Brass

Zumbro Lutheran Church (Fireside Room)—624 3rd Ave SW, Rochester MN

Southeast Minnesota's premier brass chamber ensemble, Med City Brass, will perform a variety of music in the styles of jazz, classical, and popular music while educating listeners in the art of brass playing. For more information visit medcitybrass.com.

Moved by Music Wednesday, April 16th, 2014

Featuring Rick Kvam

Rochester Public Library (Auditorium)—101 2nd St. SE, Rochester MN

Bach and Harpsichord Friday, May 30th, 2014

Featuring Paul Boehnke

Rochester Public Library (Auditorium)—101 2nd St. SE, Rochester MN

Scholarship Competition

For 50 consecutive years, since its founding in 1964, the Rochester Music Guild has sponsored an annual Young Musicians Scholarship Competition for piano, strings, winds and voice. This annual competition awards approximately \$7,500 to you musicians. Three cash prizes in each age and instrument category are awarded.

Plans are underway for this year's Rochester Music Guild Scholarship Competition. The competition will be held on March 22 and 23 with the winners' recital on April 13. Volunteers will be needed to help with the competition; Nancy Wales, volunteer coordinator, will be providing more information about this effort soon. Competition information can be found on our website at rochestermusicguild.org.



Herbergers Fundraiser

Congratulations and thank you to all of our Guild members who so graciously participated in the Herbergers Community Days Sale this year. This annual fundraiser was very successful. Thanks to you we sold 383 coupon books at \$5.00 each—a total of \$1,915.00. According to the coordinator of the event the Rochester Music Guild sold more books ("by far") than any other participating organization. To our sale total, Herbergers gave us a bonus check of \$500.49—that gift determined as a percentage of the event's total store sales. Your contributions plus Herbergers bonus gave us a grand total of \$2,415.00 to support Rochester Music Guild activities!