



# T A S O N e w s

*Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras*

*The purpose for this organization shall be, "To promote, develop and support symphony orchestras"*

## ***From the President***



*Jan St. Hilaire  
President, TASO  
2011-2012*

The mission of the Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras is a Non-Profit organization which provides a forum for the exchange of ideas designed to promote, develop and support symphony orchestras.

Our Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras is an organization built of leaders from mostly across Texas who have been or are serving their symphony organizations. The opportunities are endless for volunteers to learn about helping the hometown symphony and supporting organizations through networking and participating in the programs TASO offers.

TASO meets four times per year: Spring, Fall, Winter and at our Annual Conference. Our projects are Awards of Excellence,

Recognized Projects and the Juanita Miller Concerto Competition.

All member organizations are encouraged to submit applications in the fall for the Awards of Excellence and Recognized Projects Committees who will judge the entries during the September 19, 2011 meeting. Tiffany Ammerman, Chair, and Helen Shaffer, Vice-Chair, and their Awards of Excellence Committee will have a challenge to select this year's Honorees for Business, Volunteer, Patron and Legislative Awards.

Joan Wade, Chair, and Joi Smith, Vice-Chair, and their Recognized Projects Committee will judge projects for Fundraising, Service and Education.

Our third project, The Juanita Miller Concerto Competition, is planning for another exciting competition to be held in Dallas, Texas, at the Owen Art Center at Southern Methodist University on Saturday, January 14, 2012. This year's Chair Marilyn Adams is being assisted by Vice President of Projects Jan Woodward, Past Chair Joi Smith, Past President & Advisor Heather Moore, and Vice-Chair Peggy Jones. All of

our TASSO Members are expected to assist with this prestigious competition.

Co-Chairs Jan Bradley and Bobbe Crawford of the Lubbock Symphony Guild will host the 2012 Annual Conference with the theme of "Lyrics & Legends II" on May 3-6, 2012 at the Overton Hotel in Lubbock. All Member Organizations are encouraged to attend this event, an enjoyable learning experience for all attendees. Our Vice President of Conference is Anna Marie Speir has been working with the duo for another successful event for us.

Our President-Elect Deborah Brown is our Chair for the Strategic Planning Committee and has focused on communication with our Member Organizations. The committee is researching and evaluating different media sources as well as options to reduce the cost and resources required for communication.

I am honored to serve as this year's President for the Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras. This year is one of the toughest economically for all Symphony Organizations. The theme I have chosen is "Take Advantage of Super Others" by networking with other members from the other organizations who have been through similar challenges!

Looking forward to seeing you all in September.

### **TASSO Calendar**

Sept. 18-19	TASSO Board of Directors Dallas
Nov. 21	Newsletter Deadline

Jan. 12-13	TASSO Board of Directors Dallas
Jan. 14	Juanita Miller Concerto Competition – SMU
Mar. 16	Newsletter Deadline
May 3-6	<b>Save the date!</b> TASSO Conference, Lubbock
June 5-8	<b>Save the Date!</b> League of American Orchestras Conference (LAO) Dallas
June 15	Newsletter Deadline

### **COMMITTEES AND PROJECTS**

#### **Social Media**

by Cynthia Lancaster

TASSO is now on [Facebook](#). Search for Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras. This is a great way to communicate quickly. Need some help with a project? With Facebook, you are now connected with many volunteers across the state that can help.

Check out our Facebook page and "like" us to put our page at the top!

#### **Recognized Projects Committee**

by Joan Wade



The Recognized Projects Committee thanks all member organizations who submitted applications for the TASSO Recognized Projects competitions. The committee will review these projects at the September meeting and select three winners from each category. These winners will present Power

Point presentations at the 2012 conference in Lubbock where they will be judged and a winner selected.

### **Texans for the Arts**

by Michael Burke, TFA Executive Director



*Submitted by Mary Padgett  
TFA Liaison*

### **Long 82nd Legislature Adjourns *Sine Die*, June 29, 2011**

After 140 days of the regular session of the 82nd Legislature and 30 days of a called Special Session, the biennial circus in Austin is finally over. Much has been written about the difficulties of these sessions and there is not much to add, except to report how the arts fared after the final *Sine Die*.

#### **No Meaningful HOT Legislation**

Since TFA engaged the outstanding lobbying firm of HillCo Partners to work on our behalf to prevent any further incursion into arts' funding through the Hotel Occupancy Tax in the 79th Legislature (2005), there have been no meaningful changes to those provisions of the tax code. Despite the huge budget gap that needed to be dealt with, the session just completed was no exception.

#### **State Arts Agency Not So Fortunate**

Beginning with the Legislative Budget Board's reversing its decision on how the infusion of cash into the agency from the dissolution of the Cultural Endowment would be treated to the initial budget bills

that reduced TCA's total appropriation by 52%, TFA realized that the agency was in peril.

Fortunately, the TFA Board had voted to expand HillCo's scope of work to include the TCA appropriation, so they, our board, and many arts' advocates went to work through our Arts Advocacy Day providing testimony and making calls and visits to attempt to convey our appreciation for where we stood given the difficult economic times and to ask for, if possible, restoration of the marketing and cultural tourism funds.

We had two major scares during the session: The first came when David Simpson proposed an amendment to the House Budget Bill that would have moved 100% of the TCA General Revenue to the Department of Aging and Disability Services. This amendment passed, 67 in favor, 61 against, with 17 representatives voting *Present, Not Voting*. The result was that the House Budget that ultimately went to the Senate had no General Revenue for the agency.

The second came on June 9th during the first called Special Session when Rep. Charles Perry, during House debate on the Appropriations Bill from the conference Committee, proposed an amendment that would once again remove the \$3.5 million per year of General Revenue and move it to the Department of Health and Human Services. Fortunately, Rep. John Zerwas moved to table and called for a record vote that went in TCA's favor 87 voting for, 39 voting against and 3, *Present, Not Voting*.

#### **Record Vote Follows**

The following record vote will allow you to determine how your representatives voted

so that you may either praise and thank or visit and educate as appropriate.

**Amendments with Records of Vote 82<sup>nd</sup>  
Legislature and First Called Session  
April 1, 2011**

On April 1, 2011, members of the Texas House of Representatives debated HB1, the House budget bill for FY 2012-2013. The introduced version of HB1 reflected a budget reduction of more than 50% for the Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA).

Representative David Simpson put forth an amendment recommending TCA's budget be reduced by an additional \$3.5 million each year of the coming biennium with those funds redirected to the Department of Aging and Disability Services.

The amendment was adopted by a record vote of 67 yeas and 61 nays, with 17 present and not voting.

**Representatives voting yea on the amendment:**

Aliseda; Anderson, R.; Bohac; Bonnen, Branch; Button; Cain; Callegari; Carter; Chisum; Christian; Creighton; Deshotel; Elkins; Farias; Flynn; Gallego; Garza; Gonzales, L.; Gonzales, V.; Gonzalez; Gooden; Guillen; Hamilton; Hancock; Hochberg; Hughes; Hunter; Jackson; Johnson; Keffer; King, P.; King, T.; Kolkhorst; Landtroop; Laubenberg; Legler; Lozano; Marquez; Martinez, Martinez Fischer; Menendez; Miller, S.; Muñoz; Murphy; Oliveira; Orr; Parker; Paxton; Peña; Perry; Phillips; Pickett; Quintanilla; Raymond; Schwertner; Sheets; Simpson; Smith, T.; Solomons; Strama; Taylor, V.; Torres; Walle; Weber; White; Zedler.

**Representatives voting nay on the amendment (in favor of TCA):**

Alonzo; Anderson, C.; Aycock; Beck; Berman; Brown; Burkett; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Driver; Dukes; Dutton; Eissler; Fletcher; Frullo; Harless; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hopson; Howard, D.; Huberty; King, S.; Kleinschmidt; Kuempel; Larson; Lavender; Lewis; Lucio; Lyne; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Margo; McClendon; Miller, D.; Morrison; Naishtat; Nash; Otto; Patrick; Pitts; Price; Reynolds; Riddle; Ritter; Rodriguez; Scott; Sheffield; Shelton; Smith, W.; Smithee; Taylor, L.; Truitt; Veasey; Wolley; Workman; Zerwas.

Representatives present but not voting:  
Mr. Speaker; Alvarado; Anchia; Burnam; Castro; Eiland; Farrar; Green (C); Giddings; Gutierrez; Hardcastle; Isaac; Miles; Thompson; Turner; Villarreal; Vo.

**June 9, 2011**

During the First Called Session on June 9, 2011, members of the Texas House of Representatives debated the appropriations bill which included a budget reduction of more than 50% for the Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA).

Representative Charles Perry put forth an amendment recommending TCA's budget be reduced by an additional \$3.5 million each year of the coming biennium with those funds redirected to the Department of State Health Services.

Representative Zerwas moved to table the amendment. The motion to table prevailed by a record vote of 87 yeas, 39 nays, and 3 present but not voting.

**Representatives voting yea (in favor of TCA):**

Allen; Anderson, C.; Berman; Brown; Burkett; Burnam; Button; Callegari; Castro; Chisum; Christian; Coleman; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dutton; Eiland; Farias; Farrar; Frullo; Gallego; Garza; Giddings; Gonzales, V.; Gonzalez; Gutierrez; Hamilton; Hardcastle; Harper-Brown; Hernandez Luna; Hopson; Howard, D.; Huberty; Isaac; Jackson; Johnson; King, S.; Kleinschmidt; Kolkhorst; Kuempel; Larson; Lavender; Lewis; Lucio; Lyne; Mallory Caraway; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, S.; Morrison; Murphy; Naishtat; Nash; Oliveira; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Pitts; Price; Quintanilla; Reynolds; Rodriguez; Schwertner; Scott; Sheffield; Shelton; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Taylor, L.; Thompson; Torres; Turner; Vo; Walle; Workman; Zerwas.

**Representatives voting nay:**

Aliseda; Anchia; Anderson, R.; Beck; Bonnen, Cain; Creighton; Elkins; Fletcher; Flynn; Gonzales, L.; Gooden; Hancock; Hartnett; Hochberg; Howard, C.; Hughes; King, P.; King, T.; Landtroop; Laubenberg; Legler; Lozano; Marquez; Menendez; Muñoz; Orr; Paxton; Perry; Raymond; Riddle; Sheets; Simpson; Strama; Taylor, V.; Truitt; Weber; White; Zedler.

**Representatives present, not voting:**  
Mr. Speaker; Carter; Ritter (C).

If you would like a complete overview of the 82nd Session, send an email to [mburketfa@gmail.com](mailto:mburketfa@gmail.com) and I will forward the recap from HillCo Partners.

**NEA Announces Texas Grants**

Congratulations are in order for the following Texas cities and towns who were recently awarded significant support from the NEA:

City of El Paso  
El Paso, TX  
\$25,000

To support the design of a pedestrian green space that will connect the Union Plaza Entertainment to the Cultural Arts District in downtown El Paso. The area between the districts includes a publicly inaccessible parking lot, railroad tracks and industrial loading docks that serve as physical barriers.

University of Houston  
Houston, TX  
\$100,000

To support a series of public art installations, new media initiatives and cultural planning activities. Project activities will help revitalize the civic pride, community character and historical value of Houston's Third Ward neighborhood.

Ballroom Cultural Arts Foundation (aka Ballroom Marfa)  
Marfa, TX  
\$250,000

To support a multi-stage improvement plan for Vizcaino County Park. The park comprises several acres of scenic desert on the northeastern edge of Marfa and will serve as a permanent home for the Drive-In, a new outdoor venue for music, film and the performing arts.

Watch for more upcoming news and events!

**Save the Date - North Texas!!**  
**September 27, 2011**  
**Arts Funding and Leadership Development**  
**Workshop**  
**12:30-6:30**

(Sponsored by Texans for the Arts)

Don't miss this information packed half-day workshop for arts administrators, art organization board members and community arts' advocates. The sessions will include a challenging professional development workshop: *Building a Fundraising Board*, presented by TFA board member Cookie Ruiz, CFRE of Ballet Austin and a primer on local arts advocacy - including the "do's and don'ts" for non-profits, and the basic outline of a visit to an officeholder. Also, get a short introduction to the Cultural Data Project operated by the Pew Charitable Trusts. The day concludes with a wine and cheese reception and tours of the Irving Arts Center's current blockbuster exhibit Genghis Kahn—The Exhibition.

**Host Committee**

Mesquite Arts Center & Mike Templeton,  
TFA Board Member  
Texas Non-Profit Theaters & Linda M. Lee,  
TFA Board Member  
City of Dallas, Office of Cultural Affairs &  
Maria Munoz-Blanco  
Arts Council of Ft. Worth & Tarrant County  
& Jody Ulich, TFA Board Member  
Fine Arts Chamber Players & Gae Hatton,  
TFA Board Member  
TeCo Productions & Teresa Coleman Wash,  
TFA Board Member  
Dallas Area Cultural Arts Coalition & Joanna  
St. Angelo

For more information, contact Michael  
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**What is the Texas Commission on the Arts?**

The Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA) was organized in 1965 by the Texas Legislature to develop a receptive climate for the arts in Texas. TCA provides funding and other supportive measures, such as arts education and cultural tourism programs, for a variety of arts-related activities, including visual and literary arts, film and multi-media, music, dance, theater and folk art.

TCA does not fund art for art's sake. We fund art for Texas communities. Our grants go towards projects and programs that educate our children, attract tourists, boost our economy and enhance community life. We fund programs that help keep at-risk youth out of prisons. We fund programs that allow people with disabilities to participate equally with other members of their community. We fund professional development opportunities for Texas educators. We fund high-quality content on the Internet for our children. TCA's business is to provide the infrastructure necessary for the arts and cultural industries to thrive in Texas.

**How Can I Help?**

Become a Partner for the Plate!  
With help from our constituents and businesses participating in Partners for the Plate, the Texas Commission on the Arts has generated nearly \$4 million from sales of State of the Arts license plates over the last ten years. The dollars generated through the Partners for the Plate program directly benefit arts organizations of all types in every area of the state.

For more information, go to our website ([www.arts.state.tx.us](http://www.arts.state.tx.us)) or call our office (512-463-5535). We are here to help you!

## **LEAGUES AND GUILDS**

### **Irving Symphony League**

From Karen K. Martin, President

Irving Symphony League presented a donation of \$20,000 to Irving Schools Foundation May 31 to fully endow the Irving Symphony League Scholarship for the Performing Arts.



Carol Huntley Little, Nancie Rissing, Karen K. Martin, Sandra King Stewart, Mandy Hamilton

### **Plano Symphony Orchestra Guild**

Irma Landis and Marcela Holley  
Communications Committee

On Saturday, June 18, 2011 at 2:00 PM, six young artists performed at Prestonwood



Court Assisted Living Center. They were all winners from the 2011 Collin County Young Artist Competition held in January. Three were Grand Prize

Winners and three were Piano Finalists. Each student performed for about 8 to 10 minutes. Pieces included works by Chopin, Bach, Lalo, Rachmaninov, Bartok, Prokofiev, and others. Four were piano solos; one played a cello concerto movement; and one

student played four short pieces on the marimba.

The cellist was accompanied by one of the piano performers.

The marimba player and her family brought



their own marimba and re-assembled it on-site. Her father accompanied her on the bass part of

the marimba for the last piece because her piano accompanist had to cancel. Some of the residents were even tapping to the beat of the *Chromatic Foxtrot* while they were performing.

The Life Enrichment Director of Prestonwood Court saw the article about



the Competition in the Plano Profile, a local magazine mailed to all households in Plano. She contacted the

PSO office and was referred to the Competition Chairperson who decided to coordinate the performance.

All the students were well-prepared and enjoyed playing for the 54 residents of the Assisted Living Center. All of the residents were very impressed by



the caliber and talent of the young performers. Some of the PSO Guild and staff were also able to attend the event. The entire room was filled with residents so parents and Guild members had to stand or sit in the back. The Center served punch

and cookies afterwards so residents and students could relax.

Two of the residents were former pianists and wanted their photos taken with some of the performers. Since most of the residents had limited mobility, they would probably not have the chance to attend a regular Plano Symphony Orchestra concert. So this was a real "treat" for them and an opportunity for our young artists to give back to the community.

### **El Paso Symphony Guild**

by Sandra Reza

This summer our guild has been busy with our Debutantes. We have fourteen debs this year, all seniors in high school. Our Treble Cleff Ball will be held November 26, 2011 at the historic Camino Real Hotel.

Our guild is currently looking for an idea for a winter or spring fund raiser that we can use year after year.

### **FASO Brazos Valley**

By Erin Kracht

This year the Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra will celebrate 30 years as a symphony and Marcelo Bussiki will celebrate 15 years as the Music Director and Conductor of the area's only professional orchestra! Dr. Bussiki has planned a season with musical selections that pay homage to our past while keeping an eye on the future with a sprinkling of modern works.

The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season opens with the re-creation of the first concert ever

performed by the Brazos Valley Symphony. The previous conductors of the orchestra, Maestro Harold Turbyfill and Maestro Franz Krager, will be joining Music Director Marcelo Bussiki on the podium as they feature an opera overture by Mozart, Grieg's beautiful and lyrical work *Wedding Day at Troldhaugen*, and one of Beethoven's most famous works, *Symphony No. 5*.

The FASO opening reception on September 13 will be a very special anniversary dinner event! "An Italian Musical Evening with Emily Pulley" will feature our very own Metropolitan Opera star, Emily Pulley, performing well known Italian selections.

We are beginning to plan for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Dressed to a Tea" event which will be held

at Miramont Country Club on Nov. 3. Our catered afternoon tea and fashion show was such a



tremendous success last year that we just had to do it again!

December 11 we will be celebrating the joyous sounds of the season with the holiday musical treat "Holiday Brass and Organ Spectacular" featuring BVSO Brass musicians, James Faith on organ, and the Sanctuary Choir of Christ United Methodist Church. FASO members are invited to a pre-concert reception featuring wassail and cookies as a "Thank You" for their generous support of the Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra.

## Music Guild of New Mexico

by Teri Fahs

The Music Guild of New Mexico, formerly the New Mexico Symphony Guild, is on the fast track to rising from the demise of the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra. During 2009-2010, the members of the Guild took the bold step to incorporate and become a 501c3 tax exempt organization. As a result the Guild was able to continue when the Symphony closed.

In addition to our new name, co-presidents Yvette Lyle and Gayle McCormick are leading the way to revise our By-laws, Operational Guidelines, board organization, stream lining our newsletters and correspondence processes, promoting the Guild throughout the community and revitalizing our fund raising efforts.

The Guild's main fundraiser for the 2011-12 year will be the *Music Guild of New Mexico presents the Señorita Ball*.

The Señorita program has grown from 21 girls in 2010 to 40 participants this year. Teresa Edens and her committee have a fabulous year of activities planned for the girls – they have already attended the Santa Fe Opera and will enjoy a “Get to know you” BBQ in August. The culmination of their year will be the Ball to be held in March 2012.

The Guild's name change resulted from the New Mexico Symphony closing. This change allows us to support the many, varied musical groups in New Mexico. We have already received several requests for grants. The New Mexico Symphonic Chorus was awarded a \$2000 grant in June to assist with their trip to accompany the

Philadelphia Orchestra at the *Bravo! Vail Valley Music Festival* in Vail, Colorado in July.

Guild members have also donated to Josh Rupley to help with his expenses this



summer in attending the Kulturzentrum Lindlar Piano Festival outside of Cologne, Germany. Josh was one of only twenty students selected

to attend this prestigious instructional opportunity. Josh was the string winner from the February 2011 Jackie McGehee Young Artists Concerto competition. Josh will be performing a special “thank you” concert for the Guild and friends on Sept 25<sup>th</sup>.

During our May luncheon new officers were

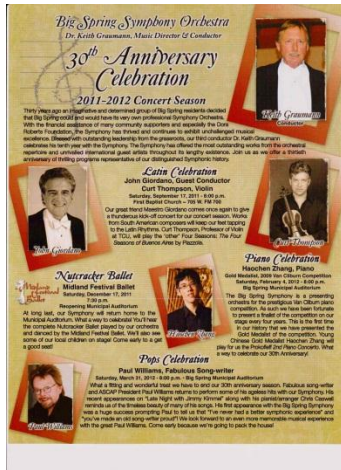


installed and Teri Fahs received the Grace Note Award. The Grace Note is awarded to members who have given exceptional service to

the Guild. Criteria include longevity of service, variety of service performed in large and small capacities, and promotion of the Guild in the community.

Upcoming events for the Guild include completing all of the housekeeping projects for a new organization and our September 28<sup>th</sup> Fall Membership Luncheon to be held at the El Pinto Restaurant. We are excited and optimistic regarding the future of music in New Mexico. Best Wishes from the Land of Enchantment.

**Big Spring Symphony Orchestra**  
Submitted by Suzanne Markwell



**Dallas Symphony Orchestra League**  
By Sharon Knowles

In spite of the record breaking heat, The Dallas Symphony Orchestra League (DSOL) volunteers are all fired up by the upcoming fall season.

President Marena Gault kicked off the season with a Boardpalozza Orientation at her home on August 31 and also hosted "Let's Get Sociable" for the Executive Board Members of all groups (DSOL, Innovators and Elan) and their spouses to get to know each other on September 07.

The DSOL has an international line up of world renowned artists to appear at the 2011-2012 Parties of Note.

1. September 20, 2011 Party of Note featuring Simone Lamsma is a Dutch treat! Dutch violinist Simone Lamsma has been described by conductor Jaap van Zweden as one of the leading violinists in the world. She is rapidly establishing herself as a much sought after soloist and recitalist performing with leading orchestras and conductors worldwide.
2. October 18, 2011 is a "Knight" to remember at Central 214 which is the premier party of the season offering a chic dining experience at one of Dallas' popular fine restaurants with wine, hors d'oeuvres and a three-course dinner by acclaimed celebrity Executive Chef Blythe Beck. The evening will honor pianist and international sensation, Sir Joaquin Achucarro and the DSO's own Victor Marshall. Since Sir Achucarro's debut at age 13 as winner of the

**Brazosport Symphony League**  
by Cynthia Lancaster



Our Second Annual Jazz and Jambalaya on the River was quite successful with highlights of Trolley rides through historic

Freeport, music by Jazz Sunday, a silent auction, Jambalaya and desserts prepared by League members.

The League is planning an upscale resale Second Fiddle Sale for November 5th,

In October, the 7th Membership Coffee will be held in the Art Gallery at The Center for the Arts and Science. It is open to public. A Gala Reception will be held at Grape Taste for all Symphony Season Subscribers at the Patron and above level. We are also planning educational outreach programs to local schools.

Last call for cookbooks for the popular *Notable Cuisine* cookbook. An inventory reduction is in progress.

Liverpool International Competition, he has worked in 59 countries and played with 206 of the world's finest orchestras.

3. January 8, 2012, Up Close and Classical presents Gary Levinson and Victor Marshall with the Up Close and Classical chefs preparing the dinner.
4. February 1, 2012 will be a magical evening at the W Hotel with Pianist David Fray as the guest of honor. Mr. Fray, who began piano at age 4, has amassed a great following and many accolades in his 26 years as a musician, including receiving the "Victoires de la Musique" in 2010 and the Best New Artist of the Year in 2008 from the BBC Music Magazine.
5. April 25, 2012 will be a masterful evening with both DSO concertmasters Alexander Kerr and Nathan Olson with Victor Marshall in one of Dallas' top 100 homes. Wine and a delicious dinner will be served by the Up Close and Classical committee

For information regarding any of the Parties of Note, please contact JoyLynn Reed at [partiesofnote2011@gmail.com](mailto:partiesofnote2011@gmail.com)

### ***Savor the Symphony***

Plans are also underway for Savor the Symphony, one of Dallas' premier black-tie fundraising galas, to be held on Saturday, March 24, 2012 at The Adolphus Hotel. Savor is a dynamic celebration of the arts and community that brings business and community leaders from all around the Metroplex together.

### ***The Élan Circle of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra League***

The Élan Circle will host the Deck the Hall children's concert on Saturday, December 10 at the Meyerson Symphony Center. The Dallas Symphony Orchestra will play a selection of holiday favorites; before the concert, families will be able to enjoy lobby entertainment including arts and crafts, photos with Santa, and performances by local student musicians. All proceeds will go to the Education and Community Engagement Programs of the DSO.

### **Women's Symphony League of Austin**

by Susan Douglas

The Woman's Symphony League of Austin is pleased to announce the following 2011 Jewel Ball events:

#### **THE 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SOIRÉE DANSANTE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011**

This year's event will be a fabulous celebration for our thirty-six 2011 Belles & Beaux, Austin-area 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students, and Southern Rock! Plans are underway to transform the Austin Music Hall into an event not soon to be forgotten as Austin cover band LC Rocks will be taking the stage and rockin' the house! Between the fabulous food and desserts, cool event T-shirts, flipbooks and surprise contests, guests are in for a one-of-a-kind night to remember!

**2011 Jewel Ball Fashion Show**

**"ON THE VERANDA"**

**Friday, October 14, 2011 at Palmer Events Center**

Show off your southern style as you stroll through the plantation gardens, shop in the gazebos and sip on a mint julep, while making your way to the veranda for an amazing fashion show/luncheon experience!

**2011 Symphony Jewel Ball**

***Moonlight & Magnolias***

**Saturday, October 15, 2011**

The WSL of Austin is proud to present the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Jewel Ball- *Moonlight & Magnolias*. This will be an evening of Old South charm and grace, of friends and family, of Moonlight & Magnolias.

Cocktails and Auction begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Presentation at 7:00 p.m. and a wonderful dinner at 8:00 p.m. But that's just the beginning! Try your luck at the Riverboat Casino, dance the night away to the music of Suede, outbid someone on a fabulous auction item, and enjoy a beautiful evening of family and friends.

Austin honors its most dedicated volunteers and contributors by presenting their children and grandchildren as members of the Royal Court to reign over the festivities of the evening. TASO Associations from across the state are invited to honor symphony patrons in their communities by having a young lady and gentleman from their area be presented in the Visiting Jewel Court. While the college student participants make new friends from around the state, their parents have an opportunity to meet other symphony patrons in Texas who share their love of music.

**2011 Visiting Jewel Court**

Topaz of Amarillo

Duchess Kaitlyn Nicole Urbanczyk  
Escorted by Mr. William Brandon Smith

Sapphire of Beaumont

Duchess Jessica Morgan Ellis  
Escorted by Mr. Matthew Francis Lighty

Tanzanite of El Paso

Duchess Ciara Allison Reza  
Escorted by Mr. Richard Aaron Barraza

Amethyst of Lubbock

Duchess Hannah Alexander Walker  
Escorted by Mr. Kirk Parks Moss

Ruby of Odessa

Duchess Victoria Marie Arellano  
Escorted by Mr. Samuel Augustus Smith

Emerald of San Antonio

Duchess Ellen Grace Caldwell  
Escorted by Mr. Casey Reese Monroe

Peridot of Waco

Duchess Madison Rae Taylor  
Escorted by Mr. Taylor Nathaniel Musgrave



**The 2011 Jewel Court:**

Princesses Mary Frances Barksdale, Sara Margaret Hyten, Kallie McLaurin Harrington, Diamond Catherine Elizabeth Boyd Chlebowski, Princesses Anna Celeste Widner, Andrea Naomi Ingram, and Sara Alexandra Waugh.

**San Angelo Symphony Guild**  
by Candis Hicks

The San Angelo Symphony has three fundraisers planned for this year.

***Dinners by Design***

Frolic At Clear Creek Ranch  
Saturday, October 22

Put on your jeans and boots and enjoy Chuckwagon grub, live country music and field games in a pastoral setting.

Dragons, Drums and Delights  
Friday, January 20, 2012

Ring in the Year of the Dragon with live music, dancing and Pacific Rim Delights.

Springtime in Paris  
Friday, March 9, 2012

Stroll down a boulevard of French paintings, enjoy a wonderful French inspired dinner and be serenaded by violinist Brandie Phillips.

In addition to our "Dinners by Design," our Symphony Guild Gala is Saturday night, January 28<sup>th</sup>, and is entitled "A Royal Affair" with a British theme carried throughout including our Belles introduced in the fashion of Royalty followed by an elegant dinner and dance.

**Waco Symphony Council**  
by Betsy Reeder

The Waco Symphony Council has had a very busy summer planning special activities to celebrate 50 years of the Waco Symphony Orchestra this season!

The celebratory 50th Anniversary kick-off was held June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a concert downtown

at Indian Spring Park along the beautiful Brazos River. People brought their lawn chairs and picnic baskets and enjoyed a wonderful outdoor concert which culminated with a spectacular fireworks show.



Our major Council fundraiser this year will be the "Painted Strings". We were thrilled to have 23 local artists volunteer their talents to paint various stringed instruments to be auctioned off in November. Our

first Preview Party will be held in September at a local art gallery where our members can "preview" the Painted Strings, meet the artists and hear a presentation from Maestro Heyde about the first concert of the year with guest artist Joshua Bell.



For the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary we are also having a "Belle & Brass" reunion in the spring on the presentation weekend. The luncheon will include a fashion show featuring members and the teens. Several Council Volunteers have been working hard to locate and invite over 2000 Belle & Brass alums from the past to help us celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Waco Symphony Council is looking forward to a thrilling anniversary year.

**Odessa Symphony Guild**  
by Sharman Adkins

The Odessa Symphony Guild is proud to begin our new season and another great year supporting the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale. We are extremely excited to be a part of this concert season,

“Prelude: The Progression Continues”, as the MOSC transitions into the magnificent \$81 million Wagner-Nöel Performing Arts Center! With the new facility slated to open in November, we are anxious for the season to get underway.

We have a large group of new belles and beaux this year, and we welcomed them to the organization with our New Member Brunch on August 20. This was a great time to “get acquainted” and help the new members learn about the guild. On Sunday, August 21, all Members and students met to attend the Belle/Beau Membership Orientation; this meeting formally kicks off our new year.

One of the highlights of our year is always the Odessa Symphony Guild Gala Ball which will be held Saturday, February 25, 2012, at the Odessa Country Club. All Belles and Beaux will be recognized at the Ball while the seniors will be formally presented to the community and recognized for their participation in the Odessa Symphony Guild. This elegant evening promises to be a fun family event.

We are honored to be able to support the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale and anticipate an amazing year!

[www.odessasg.org](http://www.odessasg.org)

### **Plano Symphony Orchestra Guild**

Submitted by Denise Pollis

### ***Plano Symphony Orchestra's Guild “Yard Art” Event***

On Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, the Guild honored 134 new subscribers and current members at our annual membership reception, which is always held prior to the first concert. In keeping with the [theme for our 29<sup>th</sup>](#)

season, “*That’s Entertainment,*” all table centerpieces were glistening silver and black buildings on a sunset background. The delicious food prepared by our Guild members was definitely New York fare.



Concert Services Co-Chairs, Mirna and Bob Lynch

Guild Board and committee chairs reached out to our special guests to answer any questions and encourage everyone to become members of our all-volunteer organization.



Cookbook Committee Co-Chair, Kim Ross

The nine different Guild committees and three PSOA Board committees were represented and displayed beautiful posters with many pictures from last season’s events. New subscribers learned what each committee does for our symphony, and how by joining, they can become part of the fun and friendship of the Plano Symphony family. Eighty-seven new committee members signed-up by the end of the evening!



Gladys Chan, Chair, and new subscribers discussing the Collin County Young Artist Competition (CCYAC) Committee

Our President, Denise Pollis, graciously welcomed everyone and thanked our sponsor for this event, Yard Art Patio and Fireplace. Beautiful home and patio décor items were donated by Yard Art and the Plano Symphony, which were given away as door prizes to nine lucky winners. Yard Art is a very comfortable venue for our annual party, and we appreciate the support of this premier Plano business. The Plano Symphony staff and Guild are always proud to welcome our new subscribers and introduce new clientele at this fantastic location.



Executive Director, Debbie Watson, addresses our guests

Guests enjoy the venue, food, decorations and getting to know each other



Gloria Herrera, one of three 2011 CCYAC Grand Prize Winners, entertaining

## San Angelo Symphony Guild by Candis Hicks

Things are really busy in San Angelo awaiting our season concert opener October 1<sup>st</sup>. We have had a busy summer of meetings planning our upcoming Audience Appreciation Party, Sorantin contest, Art to Music project and our gala "A Royal Affair" slated for January 28<sup>th</sup>. Summer has been full of committee meetings, back to school swim party for our Belles, officer election for our ambassadors, a very successful 4<sup>th</sup> of July pops concert and acquainting new board members as well as new guild members with our organization. A new member ice cream mixer was held in June and a very informative new member orientation this past Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>. We are very proud of approximately thirty new members that have joined our organization this Spring. The guild and symphony will participate together with a table display with PowerPoint at our upcoming community day at Sunset Mall. I am looking forward to seeing the TASO board and reps in Dallas on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September.

**TASO Conference**  
**May 3-6, 2012**  
**Lubbock**  
**Save the Date!**

Conference co-chairs Jan Bradley and Bobbe Crawford are hard at work getting ready for a TASO invasion! Watch for exciting details coming up!



Jan Bradley



Bobbe Crawford

**What Member Organizations are Doing**  
**Calendars from Member Organizations**

**Abilene Philharmonic**

Sept. 24	Magnificent Beethoven Soyeon Lee, Piano
Oct. 29	Cathedrals of Sound Lynn Eustis, Soprano
Dec. 3	Christmas Pops
Jan. 28	Celebrations Rachel Barton Pine, Violin
Feb. 25	A Gershwin Evening
Apr. 12	A Cabaret Night (Special Benefit Concert)
Apr. 21	New World Greg Hustis, Horn
May 5	Broadway a la Carte II

[www.abilenephilharmonic.org](http://www.abilenephilharmonic.org)

**Amarillo Symphony Guild**

September 16	Lunch and Listening
September 16-17	Concert "Piano Virtuoso" James Rauscher, guest artist
October 14	Lunch and Listening
October 14-15	Concert "Guitar Brilliance" Jason Vieaux, guest artist
November 3-6	Christmas Roundup
November 18	Lunch and Listening
November 18-19	Concert, "Get Back! Music Of the Beatles"
December 1-2	KinderKonzerts
December 9-11	"Nutcracker" Lone Star Ballet
January 20	Lunch and Listening
January 20-21	Concert "Great Romantics" Nancy Ambrose King, Oboe
January 29	Young Performer's Competition WTAMU Fine Arts Complex
February 25	Symphony Ball
February 17	Lunch and Listening
February 17-18	Concert "Bold & Brassy" Koichiro Yamamoto, Trombone
March 9-10	Concert "Starry, Starry Night of Strings," Chee Yun Kim, Violin
April 19	Membership Meeting
April 27	Lunch and Listening
April 27-28	Concert "Bravura! Carmina Burana" With Amarillo Master Chorale

[www.amarillosymphony.org](http://www.amarillosymphony.org)

**Women's Symphony League of  
Austin**

Sept. 4	Soiree "Southern Rock" Austin Music Hall
Sept. 9-10	ASO Concert Joshua Bell, Violin Long Center
Oct. 14-15	ASO Concert, Holst's "The Planets" Long Center
Oct. 15	Jewel Ball "Moonlight and Magnolias" – Palmer Events Center
Oct. 21	Pops Concert "Tiempo Libre" Long Center
Nov. 18-19	ASO Concert Anton Nel, Piano Long Center
Dec. 6	Handel's "Messiah" Riverbend Centre
Dec. 30	Firecracker Conductor Contest @ POPS, Palmer Events Center
Dec. 30-31	Pops Concert, Music of John Williams
Jan. 13-14	ASO Concert Emanuel Ax, Piano Long Center
Feb. 4 or 11	Children's Valentine Fundraiser
Feb. 20	POPS Concert, Natalie Cole Long Center
Mar. 2-3	ASO Concert Denyce Graves, Mezzo-Soprano Long Center
Mar. 9	Ray Benson, Asleep at the Wheel Long Center
Mar. 30-31	ASO Concert Bion Tsang, Cello Long Center
Apr. 26	Texas Young Composers Concerts Long Center
Apr. 21/28	Showhouse/Spring Fundraiser
May 4-5	ASO Concert Conspirare Symphonic Choir Long Center
June 1-2	ASO Concert Jon Nakamatsu, Piano Long Center
June 8-9	POPS Concert The Texas Tenors Palmer Events Center

[www.austinsymphony.org](http://www.austinsymphony.org)

## Symphony League of Beaumont

### The Symphony of Southeast Texas

Sept. 24	Master Series I Concert Back to the Future "Golden Triangle Dellights" Philippe Bianconi, Piano
Oct. 29	Master Series II Concert "Czech out The World!" Jennifer Isadore, Flute
Jan 21	Symphony Pops Concert "The Sounds of New Orleans: A Tribute to Louis Armstrong Byron Stripling, Trumpet
Mar. 3	Master Series II Concert Amadeus 2.0 Symphony of Southeast Texas Chorus
Apr. 14	Master Series IV Clash of the Titans! <a href="http://www.sost.org">www.sost.org</a>

## Brazosport Symphony League

Oct. 8	Pops Concert - <i>Ellis Island: The Dream of America</i> Collaboration with The Brazosport College Jazz Singers and Center Stages
Nov. 12	Subscription I - <i>The Mysterious Balkans</i> . Concert Dedicated to the Gerstaker Family
Dec. 10	Holiday Concert - <i>Christmas with Santa</i> . Collaboration with Rasco Middle School and Clute Intermediate School Choirs
Feb. 18	Community Concert – <i>But seriously...Humor in Music</i> Brazosport Symphony League Educational Outreach Program to local schools
Mar. 24	Subscription II - <i>An Evening of Recognition</i> . Young Artist Competition Winner
May 5	Subscription III - <i>The Glory of Tchaikovsky</i> <a href="http://www.bcfas.org">http://www.bcfas.org</a>

## FASO-Brazos Valley

September 13	Opening Reception "An Italian Evening with Emily Pulley" Dinner and Performance
October 9	Concert, "The 30th Celebration"
November 3	"Dressed to a Tea" Fashion show and afternoon tea
November 6	Concert, "Elijah" with the Brazos Valley Chorale and the Texas A&M Century Singers
December 11	Holiday Brass and Organ Spectacular featuring BVSO Brass Ensemble and Organ with James Faith, organist
January 23	Children's Concert "Peter and the Wolf" and Franco Bettati, piano, winner of the Youth Concerto Competition
February 19	Concert, "From Waltz to Tango" Guest Artist Federico Mondelci, Saxophone
February (TBA)	Youth Concerto Competition
March 25	Concert, "the Americas and Beyond" Guest Artist, Chad Ibison, guitar, winner of the TAMU International Guitar Symposium & Competition
April 22	Concert, "The Grand Finale" Guest Artist, Lulu Chang, piano, winner of the 2010 Juanita Miller Concerto Competition
May 5	Derby Day <a href="mailto:office@bvso.org">office@bvso.org</a> (979) 696-6100

## Clear Lake Area Symphony Society

Sept. 16	Fall "Pops" Concert
Oct. 14	Concert Rossini: "Seige of Corinth" Overture, Mendelssohn: "Beautiful Melusine" Overture, Schumann: "Konzertstück for 4 Horns," Schumann: "Concerto" Marcello Zigarán, Cello
Dec. 2-3	Christmas "Pops" Guests, Gloria Dei Festival Choir
Feb. 3	Concert Chabrier: "Joyeuse Marche," Tchaikowsky: "Francesca da Rimini," Goldmark: "Rustic Wedding" Symphony

Mar. 9 Concert  
 Berlioz: "King Lear" Overture  
 Winners - Youth Concerto  
 Competition

Apr. 20 Final Season Concert  
 Gade: "Echoes of Ossian," Grofe:  
 "Grand Canyon Suite," Overture,  
 Litolff: "Piano Concerto  
 Symphonique No. 4"  
 Matthew Cash, Piano

May 5 "7<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Chefs  
 of the Bay Area"  
 Houston Hilton NASA Clear Lake  
[www.clearlakesymphony.org](http://www.clearlakesymphony.org)

### Conroe Symphony League

Oct. 3 "An Opening Night Celebration"  
 Dec. 5 "Celebrating the Holidays"  
 Feb. 13 "The Romance of the Symphony"  
 Apr. 16 "Celebrating Spring"  
 June 25 "A Patriotic Celebration"  
[www.conroesymphony.org](http://www.conroesymphony.org)

### Symphony Guild of Corpus Christi

Oct. 8 Subscription Concert 1  
 Sirena Huang, Violin

Nov. 12 Subscription Concert 2  
 Pepe Romero, Guitar

Dec. 10 Subscription Concert 3  
 Poperazzi, Vocal Trio

Feb. 18 Subscription Concert 4  
 The Best of Broadway

Mar. 10 Subscription Concert 5  
 Jose Feghali, Piano

Apr. 14 Subscription Concert 6  
 Stephen Hough, Piano  
[www.ccsymphony.org](http://www.ccsymphony.org)

### Dallas Symphony Orchestra League

Aug. 20-21 Johnny Matthis with the DSO  
 Aug. 25 Steve Martin & the Steep Canyon  
 Rangers

Aug. 31 Jackie Evancho with the DSO  
 Sept. 2-4 Hamlich plays Hamlich  
 Sept. 8-11 Brahms Piano Concerto III  
 Prokofiev Symphony IV  
 Emanuel Ax, piano  
 Jaap van Zweden, Conductor

Sept. 13 Patti LuPone  
 Sept. 22-23 Mendelssohn Violin Concerto  
 Mendelssohn String Sym. 10

Sept. 24-25 Mendelssohn Symphony No. 1  
 Simone Lamsma, Violin  
 Mendelssohn Piano Concerto 1  
 String Symphony, Symphony No. 1  
 Alessio Bax, Piano

Sept. 29-30 Mendelssohn Symphony No. 4  
 DSO Chorus

Oct. 1-2 Mendelssohn Violin Concerto  
 Ruy Blas Overture  
 Soovim Kim, Violin  
 JF Osorio, Piano

Oct. 4 Jose Purcel, Solo Performance  
 Oct. 6-9 Barber, *Tocatta Festiva*  
 Rouse, Concerto for String  
 Orchestra

Dvorak Symphony No. 9  
 Mary Preston, Organ  
 Marin Alsop, Conductor  
 kd Lang

Oct. 11 Amy Grant with the DSO  
 Oct. 14-16 *Ravel le Tombeau de Couperin*  
 Oct. 20-22 Chopin Piano Concert No. 1  
 Stravinsky *Petrushka*  
 J. Achucarro, Piano  
 Hanna Lintu, Conductor

Oct. 27-29 Katalovsky ColasBreugnon O.  
 Beethoven Piano Concert 3  
 Rimsky-Korsakov *Scheherazade*  
 Markus Pawlik  
 Carlos Rizzi, Conductor

Oct. 30 Monsters of Film Music  
 (Family Concert)

Oct. 31 Herbie Hancock  
 Nov. 4-5 Cirque Musica  
 Nov. 10-13 Mendelssohn *Midsummer Night's  
 Dream*, Mozart Flute Concert 2  
 Smetana *The Moldau*  
 Janacek *Tantas Bulba*  
 Sir James Galway, Flute  
 Kakub Hrusa, Conductor

Nov. 17-20 Weber Overture *Der Freischutz*  
 Hindemith *Mathis de Maler*  
 Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto 2  
 Lise de la Salle, Piano  
 Paul Phillips, Conductor

Dec. 6 Feliz Navidad  
 Dec. 10 Deck the Halls (Family Concert)  
 Dec. 12-13 Michael W. Smith Christmas  
 Dec. 23 A Canadian Brass Christmas  
 Dec. 26-27 Mannheim Steamroller Christmas  
 Dec. 31 From Moscow to Vienna!

Jan. 5-7	Glinka <i>Russian &amp; Ludmilla Overture</i> , Glass – An American Four Seasons, Tchaikovsky Symphony 2 R. McDuffie, Violin Peter Ounkjian, Conductor	Apr. 3 Apr. 5-7	Soloists, DSO Chorus Children’s Chorus of Great Dallas Jaap van Zweden, Conductor The Music of ABBA Masters of Film Music Harry Gregson-Williams
Jan. 13-14	Masters of Film Music: James Newton Harris	Apr. 12-15	Sibelius <i>Rakastava</i> Grieg Piano Concerto, Grieg <i>Lyric Suite</i> , Sibelius Symphony No.7 Andre Watts, Piano
Jan.19-22	Rautavaara <i>Manhattan Trilogy</i> Silebius Violin Concerto Sibelius Symphony No. 5 Caroline Goulding, Violin Pietari Inkinen, Conductor	April 26-29	James Gaffigan, Conductor Bruckner Symphony No. 8 Jaap van Zweden, Conductor
Jan. 26-28	Mozart Clarinet Concerto Schubert Symphony No. 9 Gregory Raden, Clarinet Jaap van Zweden, Conductor	May 3-5	Haydn Symphony 92 Mozart Symphony 40 Tchaikovsky <i>Variations on a Rococo Theme</i>
Feb. 2-5	Wagner <i>Siegfried Idyll</i> Mozart Piano Concerto 20, Wagner <i>Good Friday Spell</i> from <i>Parsifal</i> , Debussy <i>La Mer</i> David Fray, Piano Jaap van Zweden, Conductor	May 11 & 13	Johannes Moser, Cello Jaap van Zweden, Conductor Beethoven <i>Fidelio</i> Soloists, DSO Chorus Jaap van Zweden, Conductor
Feb. 9 & 12	Yesterday Once More: A Musical Tribute to the Carpenters	May 18-20	Masters of Film Music: Michael Giacchino
Feb. 16-19	Adams <i>Short Ride in a Fast Machine</i> , Prokofiev Piano Concerto No. 3 Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6, <i>Pathetique</i> Severin von Eckardstein, Piano Jaap van Zweden, Conductor	May 25-26	Armed Forces Salute with Marvin Hamlisch
Feb. 23-26	Vivaldi <i>The Four Seasons</i> Rossini-Britten <i>Matinee Musicales</i> , Elgar <i>Enigma Variations</i> Shannon Lee, violin Ed Spanjaard, Conductor	June 8-9	Cole Porter Tribute with Michael Feinstein and Marvin Hamlisch <a href="http://www.dallassyphony.com">www.dallassyphony.com</a>
Mar. 1-3	Mozart Symphony No. 38 Berlioz <i>Te Deum</i> Richard Croft, Tenor, DSO Chorus Children’s Chorus of Great Dallas, John Nelson, Conductor	Sept. 23-24	Classical Concert #1 Mozart Symphony #32 Mahler Symphony #1 Saint-Saëns Piano Concerto No. 2 Michael Gurt, Piano Kenneth Raskin, Conductor
Mar. 5	Doc Severinsen and his Big Band	Oct. 21-22	Classical Concert #2 López-Buchardo: <i>Esceñas Argentinas</i> Berlioz: <i>Fantastic Symphony: An Episode in the Life of an Artist</i>
Mar. 6-7	Earth, Wind & Fire with the DSO		Rodrigo: <i>Concierto de Aranjuez</i> Pepe Romero, Guitar David Handel, Conductor
Mar. 15-18	John Luther Adams <i>Dark Waves</i> , Schubert & Strauss Songs, Shostakovich Symphony No. 9 Matthias Goerne, Baritone Jaap van Zweden, Conductor	Nov. 18-19	Classical Concert #3 Berlioz: <i>Roman Carnival</i> Brahms: <i>Symphony No. 2</i> Mozart: <i>Concerto for two Pianos</i> Naughton Sisters, Dual Pianists Lawrence Loh, Conductor
Mar. 23-24	Kool & The Gang	Nov. 26	Treble Clef Ball
Mar. 25	Stories in Music with Jamie Bernstein (Family Concert)		
Mar. 29-31	Bach <i>St. Matthew Passion</i>		

## El Paso Symphony Guild

Jan. 27-28 Classical Concert #4  
 Peck: The Glory and the Grandeur;  
 Concerto for PercussionTrio  
 Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 5  
 Bach: Concerto for Two Violins  
 in d minor  
 Soovin Kim, Violin  
 Ik-Hwan Bae, Violin  
 Michael Butterman, Conductor

Feb. 24-25 Classical Concert #5  
 Adams: The Chairman Dances;  
 Foxtrot for Orchestra  
 Dvořák: Symphony No. 9  
 Sibelius: Violin Concerto, D minor  
 Chee-Yun, Violin  
 Peter Rubardt, Conductor

Apr. 20-21 Classical Concert #6  
 Glinka Overture to Russlan and  
 Ludmila  
 Prokofiev Romeo and Juliet  
 (movements from Suites 1 and 2)  
 Elgar Cello Concerto, op.85, E  
 minor  
 Zuill Bailey, Cello  
 Mariusz Smolij, Conductor  
[www.epso.org](http://www.epso.org)

### Symphony League of Forth Worth

Sept. 16-18 Violin Virtuoso  
 Augustin Hadelich, Violin

Sept. 24 The Planets: An HD Odyssey  
 Holst "The Planets"

Oct. 7-9 Sunlit Symphony  
 Mahler: Symphony #4

Oct. 14-16 Hollywood Classics

Oct. 28-30 Warner Bros. Presents Bugs Bunny  
 at the Symphony

Nov. 4-5 Mozart & Salieri  
 Alexander Ullman, Piano

Nov. 18-20 Rachmaninoff Symphony #2  
 Strauss Horn Concert #2  
 Mark Houghton, Horn

Nov. 25-27 Home for the Holidays

Dec. 5 Handel's "Messiah"  
 Southwestern Seminary Master  
 Chorale

Dec. 21 Christmas with the Von Trapp  
 Family Singers

Jan. 13-15 Beethoven & Brahms  
 Arnaldo Cohen, Piano

Feb. 3-5 Cinderella  
 Ana Victoria Luperi, Clarinet

Mar. 2-4 Schumann Piano Concerto  
 Markus Groh, Piano

Mar. 23-25 The Firebird  
 Alisa Weilerstein, Cello

Apr. 13-15 Budding Violinist  
 Will Hagen, Violin

May 4-6 Cliburn Gold  
 Haochen Zhang, Piano  
[www.fwsymphony.org](http://www.fwsymphony.org)

### Houston Symphony League

September 10 Opening Night Concert and Gala  
 "Ode to Joy"

September 12 B# Brunch with composer Pierre  
 Jalbert

October 13 Detectives Concerts

November 2-3 Detectives Concerts

October 15 Family Concerts

December 3 Family Concerts

November 11 B# Brunch

December 4 Magical Musical Morning

January 6 B# Brunch

January 7 Houston Symphony League  
 Concerto Competition

February 14-15 Explorers Concerts

March 7 Explorers Concerts

April 4 Explorers Concerts

March 8 Springs Membership Tea

March 10 Family Concerts

April 28 Family Concerts

March 23 Symphony Ball

March 30 B# Brunch with Miles Hoffman

April 4 Explorers Concert

April 21 Children's Fashion Show

May 2 President's Luncheon

May 20 Maestro's Wine Dinner

May 31-June 2 Ima Hogg Competition

### Houston Symphony League Bay Area

#### Irving (ENVISIO) Symphony League

The Irving Symphony is changing its name to Envisio in an effort to broaden its regional and demographic appeal. The new name is similar to the Latin word *invisio* which means "to behold." It also incorporates ISO, the abbreviation used for Irving Symphony Orchestra. The symphony is marketed as "Envisio: Symphonic Music You Can See."

Oct. 8 Epic: Into the Orchestra

Nov. 12 JKF Commemoration

Dec. 10 Winter

Feb. 11 Les Fleurs  
Di Wu, Piano  
Mar. 10 An Evening with Jane Monheit  
Apr. 14 An Evening with Cling Eastwood  
[www.irvingsymphony.com](http://www.irvingsymphony.com)

### Marshall Symphony League

Sept. 17 Jeans 'n Classics  
It Came From the Jersey Shore:  
Music of Bon Jovi, Bruce  
Springsteen, and Frankie Valli  
Nov. 14 The Texas String Festival  
Feb. 20 Icy Rene Simpson, Soprano  
Kerone Jackson, Bariton  
[www.marshallsymphony.com](http://www.marshallsymphony.com)

### Mid Texas Symphony Guild

Sept. 11 Heroes  
Oct. 23 Made in America  
Dec. 11 Peace on Earth  
Feb. 18 Appalachian Spring  
Apr. 1 Compare and Contrast  
May 6 The West and the West Side  
[www.mtsymphony.org](http://www.mtsymphony.org)

### Music Guild of New Mexico

[www.newmexicosymphonyguild.org](http://www.newmexicosymphonyguild.org)

### Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale

Sept. 1 Lone Star BBQ  
Sept. 10 Masterworks 1 -  
"Jennings and Brahms"  
Christina Jennings, Flute  
Mid-Cities  
Oct. 1 POPS 1  
Carrie Tillis Sings "Doris Day"  
Oct. 23 Chorale Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Oct. 30 WTW Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Nov. 12 Masterworks 2  
"Fighting for Freedom"  
Eric Baker, Trumpet  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
Nov. 20 PBSQ Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Dec. 3 POPS 2  
Holiday Pops  
Wagner-Noel Hall

Dec. 18 LSBQ Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Jan. 7 The Planets: A Multi-Media Show  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
Jan. 21 Masterworks 3  
"Coming to America"  
Kyle Orth, 2011 NYAC Winner,  
Piano  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
Feb. 11 The Vienna Boys Choir  
First Presbyterian Church, Midland  
Feb. 12 WTW Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Feb. 26 PBSQ Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Mar. 3 POPS 3  
Jeans n' Classics:  
"Elton John Tribute"  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
Mar. 25 LSBQ Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Apr. 14 Masterworks 4  
"Something Old, Something New"  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
Apr. 22 Kid's Choir  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
Apr. 29 Chorale Chamber  
Greathouse Recital Hall  
May 12 POPS 4  
The Texas Tenors  
Wagner-Noel Hall  
[www.mosc.org](http://www.mosc.org)

### Plano Symphony Guild

Sept. 24 The Virtuoso Piano  
Norman Krieger, Piano  
Oct. 22 The Music of ABBA: Arrival  
from Sweden  
Nov. 19 Carmina Burana  
Plano Civic Chorus & Younger  
Generation Chorus  
Dec. 18 Home for the Holidays  
Jan. 21 Cirque de la Symphonie  
Feb. 18 The Texas Tenors  
Mar. 24 Porgy & Bess and the Young Artists  
Soloists: Donnie Ray Albert and  
Pamela Dillard  
Apr. 21 Finlandia  
Mariusz Patyra, Violin  
[www.planosymphony.org](http://www.planosymphony.org)

## San Angelo Symphony Guild

Sept. 1      Orchestral Showhouse  
Nov. 5      Happy Birthday, Franz!!!  
Nov. 19     52<sup>nd</sup> Sorantin International Young  
              Artists Competition  
Dec. 3      Christmas Memories Trim the Tree  
Feb. 4      Rodeo Night!  
Mar. 3      Elegance and Beauty  
Apr. 28     Simply Sinatra

[www.sanangelosymphony.org](http://www.sanangelosymphony.org)

Phone: 325-658-5877

Jan. 14      Sublime Melodies: Emperor and  
              Finlandia  
              Robert Trevino, Conductor  
Jan. 19      Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Bunko  
Jan. 24      Games Day at the USO Hollytree  
              Country Club  
Mar. 10.     Spanish Rhythms  
              Steven Jarvi, Conductor  
Apr. 28      The Most Famous Four Notes  
              Viswa Subbaraman, Conductor  
[www.wslyler.org](http://www.wslyler.org)  
[www.etsso.org](http://www.etsso.org)

## Victoria Symphony League

Sept. 17     Cirque de la Symphonie  
Oct. 15     Mark Hughes, Trumpet  
Jan. 21     Michael Martin Murphey

[www.victoriasymphony.com](http://www.victoriasymphony.com)

## Waco Symphony Council

Sept. 27     Concert, Guest Artist Joshua Bell  
Nov. 6      ZooTunes!  
Nov. 8      Concert, Guest Artist Jose Feghali  
Nov. 18     Painted Strings Auction  
Dec. 9      Concert, "Christmas is for Kids . . .  
              of All Ages"  
Jan. 12     Concert, Guest Artist Andre Watts  
Feb. 14     Concert, Guest Artist Chris Botti  
Mar. 24     Golden Anniversary Brunch/Style  
              Show honoring former Belles  
Mar. 24     Concert, Guest Artist James Pitts  
              Presentation of Belles & Brass

[www.wacosymphony.com](http://www.wacosymphony.com)

[www.wacosymphonycouncil.com](http://www.wacosymphonycouncil.com)

## Women's Symphony League of Tyler

### East Texas Symphony Orchestra

Sept. 24     Dances & Fanfares  
              Richard Lee, Conductor  
Sept. 29     "Begin the Beguine" Brunch and  
              Style Show  
Nov. 4      Tchaikovsky's Symphony #4  
              Matthew Savery, Conductor

## Wichita Falls Symphony League

Oct. 26     Annual Ball  
Mar. 15     For a Song Sale



*Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras*

## *Photo Gallery*

TASO Board Dinner  
June 12, 2011  
Ruggeri's Restaurant



Linda Hatchel, Debbie Thornton  
Betsy Reeder



Jan Woodward, Jan St. Hilaire



Candis Hicks, Annette Findley



Larry and Denise Pollis



Heather Moore, Susan Douglas, Suzanne Markwell



Jana Shafer, Deborah Brown,  
Jan Adair Bradley



Jana Shafer, Jan Adair Bradley



Laura Hyde, Helen Shaffer



Joi Smith, Betty Wall