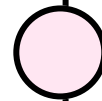
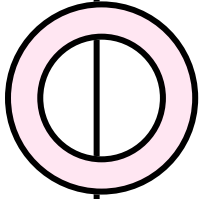
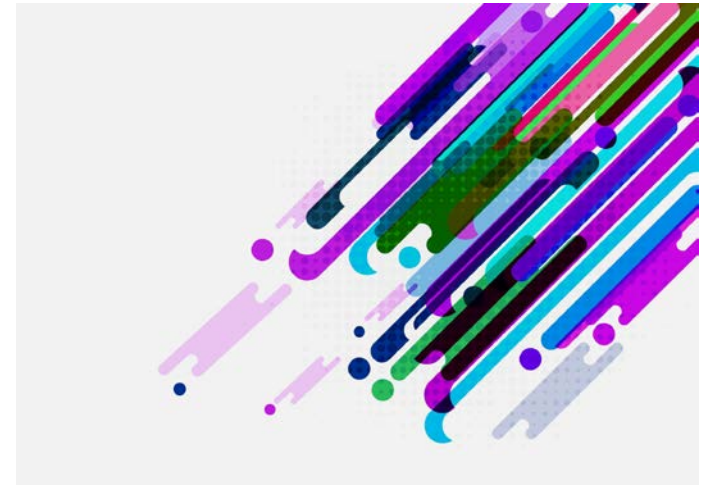




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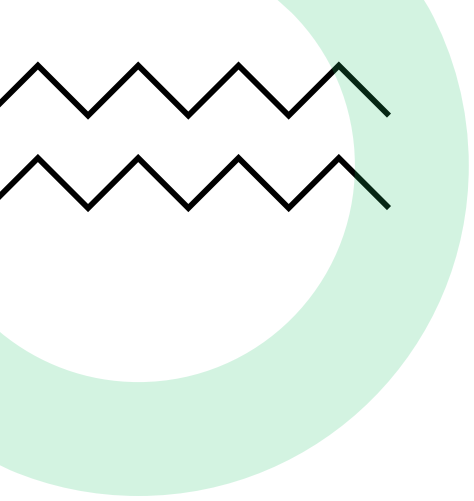




Description of the Project

- The Dallas Symphony Orchestra League Volunteers host an annual luncheon in appreciation of all the musicians and members of the artistic team.





What were the goals or desired outcomes of this project?

- - Show the musicians appreciation on behalf of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra League - Provide League members with an opportunity to interact with the musicians
- Opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of the orchestra
- Fellowship time for orchestra and volunteers after COVID





Need and Success

- The Orchestra Appreciation luncheon was founded in 1986. The League wanted to provide a tangible way of showing the orchestra that they are valued by not only our patrons, but by the entire community.
- Success of the event is measured by the number of musicians who choose to attend the event.



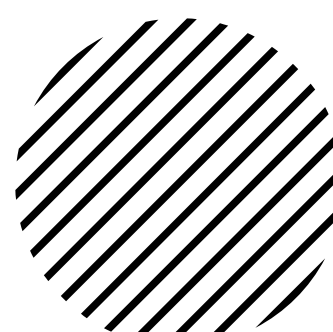


New information and ideas

- In 2021, a luncheon was not possible so League volunteers made goody bags for the musicians which included wine, a Starbucks gift card, gluten free treats, and hand written notes.
- We learned that the musicians appreciated the gifts and we incorporated them in the raffle this year when the event took place in person.
- It's imperative that the volunteers work with the artistic team to determine the best date for the event. We need to find a date when there is a double rehearsal, and a date when the repertoire is not so difficult that an extra activity would be overwhelming for the musicians,



Fresh approach to a former project



This was a fresh approach to a former project. Because there are so many dietary restrictions we no longer do sandwiches and chips. This year we worked with a Mexican restaurant to do fajitas, salads, tacos which could be made vegetarian, gluten free, or dairy free.

The project was done in connection with the following staff; Director of Volunteer Services, Artistic Director, Musician liaison, and the CEO.

We will repeat the project. All of the musicians attended the event and it was an excellent time for fellowship.

The project was founded in order to provide the volunteers with a helpful way to thank and interact with musicians.

The project has been in place over 35 years. It has been deemed successful because the musicians continue to attend. The last 5 years, the CEO of the Orchestra and sometimes the conductor, have also attended.



Expenses/Income

- Expenses
 - Catering - \$2,000
 - Invitations - \$50
 - Raffle prizes - \$500
- Income
 - Catering donation - \$500
 - Raffle prizes - \$500
 - League donations - \$150



