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"Music expresses that which cannot be said and on
which it is impossible to be silent."

Victor Hugo

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Monday Evening, May 1, 2006, at 7:00
Isaac Stern Auditorium

**THE GREATER WESTCHESTER YOUTH ORCHESTRAS
ASSOCIATION**

Presents



THE 2006 GWYOA SPRING CONCERT
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

THE WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY STRINGS ORCHESTRA
Bernard Klinger, *Conductor*

THE WESTCHESTER JUNIOR STRINGS ORCHESTRA
Jacqueline Stern, *Conductor*

THE WESTCHESTER YOUTH SYMPHONY
Vincent Lioni and Victor Lioni, *Conductors*

**THE WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY
STRINGS ORCHESTRA**

RICHARD WAGNER *Tannhauser*
arr. by Sandra Dackow Entrance and March of the Guests

arr. RICHARD MEYER *Suzukiyaki*

W. A. MOZART *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*
arr. by Merle Isaac Movement I

J. S. BACH *Brandenburg Concerto No. 4*
arr. by Mark Jasinski Movement III

GIROLAMO *Toccata*
FRESCOBALDI
arr. by James Higgins

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THE WESTCHESTER JUNIOR STRINGS ORCHESTRA

ERNST VON DOHNANYI Serenade, Op. 10
arr. by Lucas Drew First Movement – Allegro

HEINRICH BIBER *Battalia*
Sonata
Die Liederliche Gesellschaft von Allerley Humor
Presto
Der Mars
Presto
Aria
Die Schlacht
Lamento der Verwundten Musquetirer
CATERINA LONGHI and BRAN SHIM, solos

MICHAEL DILTHEY Music from the Opera *Spa*
On a Night Like This
Come Take This Day
Keep Your Light On

FELIX MENDELSSOHN Octet, Op. 20
Fourth Movement – Presto

Intermission

THE WESTCHESTER YOUTH SYMPHONY

VINCENZO BELLINI Overture to the Opera *Norma*

CHARLES GOUNOD *March of a Marionette*

JOHANNES BRAHMS *Hungarian Dances* No. 5 and No. 6

BEDŘICH SMETANA Three Dances from *The Bartered Bride*
Polka
Furiant
Dance of the Comedians

ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK Symphony No.8
Allegretto grazioso
Allegro ma non troppo

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA *The Stars and Stripes Forever* March



THE WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY STRINGS ORCHESTRA

Bernard Klinger,
Conductor

Karen Moy and Sandra Caulfield,
Coordinators

VIOLIN I

Alexandra Caulfield
Natania Greenspan
Jesse Guterman
Sabrina Hilfer
Ronald Kao *
Jenny Kim
Samantha Lee
Yanni Metaxas
Hannah Moy
Gautam Narasimhan
Charlotte Nugent
Noa Lin Sager
Rachel Tsao *
Noah Weisbart
Alicia Wu
Grace Yoon
Antonia Young

VIOLIN II

Chelsea Baccay
Ana Barrett
Sarah Campell
Alana Engelbrecht
Amy Fivis
Joanna Giordano
Kaitlyn Grogan
Andrew Kim
Sylvia Lustig
Justin Mei
Roya Moussapour
Michael Park
Rebecca Rose **
Meena Sinha **
Hallie Voulgaris
Alison Yih
Katherine Jiae Yom
Bryan Yu

VIOLIN III

Alan Gao
Millie Ho
Phillip Liu
Henri Roque ***
Megha Swamy

VIOLA

Katherine Allen **
Anton Boutkov **
Patricia Kealey
Elsia Langdon

CELLO

George Dilthey
Claude Buffington-Gilbert
Ruth Gourevitch
Kira Lee Helberg
Issei Herr
Nathan Kim
Jacob Kirschenbaum **

Aaron Kreielsheimer
Eric Kwong
Mariantonia Longhi **
Rebecca Lowy
Kyra Nolte
Alex Pisano
Raphael Saphra
Hyunjung Yoon

BASS

Harrison Dilthey
Danny Weinfeld

* Co-Concertmaster
** Co-Principal
*** Principal

THE WESTCHESTER JUNIOR STRINGS ORCHESTRA



Jacqueline Stern,
Conductor

Keiko Spade and Michael Dilthey,
Coordinators

VIOLIN I

Josh Bucheister
Kimberly Chen
Shane Cornyn
Samuel Dilthey
Rose Gabrillo
Abigail Jablansky
Ruben Grullon
Noah Hammer
Tammy Kwark
Timothy Kwark
Gavin Langdon
Caterina Longhi *
Katrina Lu
Ain Maehara
Joseph Mei
Elise Pelka
Sarah Song
Leo Torrente
David Tsai
Mark Tsao
Elliot Tusk
Edward Rosen-Wallberg

VIOLIN II

Kyra Babakian
Erin Candee
Evan Chen
Grace Choi
Claire Conway
Clare Eichinger
Eva Goodman
Milena Ho
Angie Kao
Noel Kim **
Devon Klemmer
Jacob Lowy
Julia Mattison
Ari Messenger
Sara Pantel
Sam Powell
Alannah Smith
Louis Sobel
Jenna Stewart
Sarah Visnov

CELLO

Sean Bailey
Alex Bennett
Jeffrey Cheng
Charles Conway
Louis Conway
Alvaro Galan
Federica Goldberg
Marcus Hausler
Elbert Heng **
Eve Herold
Robin Luongo
Elizabeth Mattison
Logan Miley
Cassandra Ring
Gabriel Spade
Frances Yih

BASS

Bran Shim **
Austin Sichling
Laura Watiker
Hilary Wilson

VIOLA

Meg Collins
Sylvie Creekmore
Juan Galan
Cyrus Lai
Shaun-Chi Lee

Lizzy Peake
Robert Pile
Cerianne Robertson **
Zack Struver
Sarah Watiker

* Concertmaster
** Section Principal

THE WESTCHESTER YOUTH SYMPHONY

Vincent Lioni and Victor Lioni,
Conductors

Nina Wilson and Karen Correll,
Coordinators



VIOLIN

Jed Bernstein
Claire Burke
Tiffany Chen
Michelle Cheng
Michael Choi
Courtney Clark
Sander Correll
Xinyi Duan
Jeffrey Epstein
Katherine Harwood
Helen Hess
Minerva Ho
Srikanth Iyer

Myla Kato-Duvally
Joseph Kim
Yesul Kim
Seth Kreielsheimer
Akash Kumar
Anisha Kumar
Matteo Longhi
Madeline Lopeman
Ajalín Macfadden
Kyla Magun
Zachary Miley
Momo Miyazaki

Irie Monte
Katharine Olla
Anyá Palkowski
Sophia Rehm
Melanie Riordan
Jaime Roque
Amanda Sieradzki
Ted Smith
Natalie Wiegand
Meredith Wilson
Andrew Wu
Elisha Yoon

VIOLA

Allison Ambrosio
Emily Chapman
Michele Chinitz
Kevin Christie
Max Dilthey
Maraya Gonzalez
Johanna Katz
Sarah Kuras
Elizabeth Martini
Alexander Stadnyk
Emma Stein

CELLO

Stephen Benedict
Zoi Calomiris
Laura Capucilli
Gregory Caswell
Katie Christiansen
Lawrence DiBello
Alex Dinh
Kate Farley
Seth Green
Anna Gunther

Gemma Horowitz
Su Yeon Koo
Mason Lee
Evan Morehouse
Declan Oller
Amy Rapp
Eloise Rotenberg
Mikael Spade
Jesseca Turner
Minette Yao

BASS

Natasha Burbridge
Dylan Cashman
Jeremy Leonard
Jen Steinbeck

FLUTE

Stephanie Gruber
Joanne Liu
Sarah Parker
Marion Pope
Miriam Saphra
Michelle Sibio
Ariel Spade
Grace Stadnyk
Lindsay Van Thoen

CLARINET

Sam Backer
Ben Cruikshank
Stephanie Huang
Dietrich Knauer
Daniel Mark
James Matero
Pamela Weingarden
Sarah Wolf



HARP

Sarah Malin

OBOE

Simon Bae
Megan Dieffenbach
Allie Gardner
Monica Gould
Grace Hart
Kenneth Kato
Abby Rudow
Zachary Sheikh

FRENCH HORN

Isabel Arquelles
Sylvie Francois
Kristy Gardner
Olivia Horvath
Jeremy Low
Melissa Pearlman
James Rosenberg
Anna Sabia
Irene Smail
Max Torrente

TRUMPET

Anna Chithelen
Roger Hartnett
Alexa Lutchen
Alexandra Polubiec
Steven Seidel
Michael Stein
Akina Young

BASSOON

Christina Dioguardi
Courtney Elms
Rachel Herold
Rashon Miller

PERCUSSION

Sam Malin
Sarah Sheikh

TROMBONE

Daniel Baneman
Sara Dover
Scott Moskowitz
Peter Steffensen
Henry Voge

TUBA

Madison Martineau
Soumya Sanyal

THE Conductors

BERNARD KLINGER

BERNARD KLINGER is a graduate of Hartt College of Music with bachelors of music degrees in music education and viola performance. He has a masters degree in music education from Teachers College, Columbia University. Mr. Klinger currently teaches strings and orchestra at Holland Hill School in Fairfield, Connecticut. Previously, he taught strings and orchestra in the Chappaqua, New York schools for 26 years and in the White Plains, New

York schools for seven years. He was principal violist in the Ridgefield Symphony, and currently plays viola in the Greenwich Symphony. A past president of the Westchester County School Music Association (WCSMA), he has also served as elementary festival coordinator, orchestra chairman, elementary orchestra conductor, and advisor to the board. Mr. Klinger has been conducting Elementary Strings since 1997.

JACQUELINE STERN

JACQUELINE STERN has a bachelor of art degree in Music Education from Ithaca College and a masters degree in cello performance from the Manhattan School of Music. She has been working with young musicians as a conductor, cello instructor and chamber music coach. Presently, she conducts the orchestras and teaches cello at the Green Meadow Waldorf School. She performs on cello and Baroque cello with several orchestra and chamber groups in the area. Ms. Stern was the associate director of the Suzuki

Program at Queensborough Community College from 1989-93. She is a performing cellist with the Hudson String Quartet and has worked with groups that include the Stamford Symphony, Artek Ensemble, New York City Opera, Holy Trinity Bach Orchestra, and Washington Bach Consort. Ms. Stern has conducted for GWYOA for 23 years, starting the Elementary Strings in 1983 and then taking over as Junior Strings conductor in 1997.

VINCENT LIONTI

VINCENT LIONTI holds a bachelors degree in music and masters degree in music from the Juilliard School, where he was principal violist of the Juilliard Orchestra and teaching assistant to William Lincer. He has been a member of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra since 1987. From 1983-87 he was a member of the Detroit Symphony and

performed with the New York Philharmonic from 1981-83. Mr. Lioni has performed as principal violist with the Santa Fe Opera and guest principal violist of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. He has also been a member of the Casals Festival Orchestra, Lyric Chamber Ensemble, and Renaissance City Chamber

Ensemble. Mr. Lioni has had a long history with GWYOA, first as a student at age 12, through high school, and now as a conductor. He has led

the Junior Strings and then the Youth Symphony since 1997, taking over baton from his father, Victor Lioni.

VICTOR LIONI

VICTOR LIONI is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and the Catholic University of America. His teaching career has included Hartford High School, White Plains High School, and Kent State University. He was on the faculty of Westchester Community College for 25 years, where he served as music curriculum chairman, and remains as professor emeritus and adjunct professor of music. Mr. Lioni has performed with the Rochester Philharmonic, Hartford

Symphony, U.S. Marine Band in Washington, D.C., and as principal violist with the Greenwich Symphony. He has also been music director of the Aaron Copland Music and Arts Program in Westchester County. Mr. Lioni was musical director and conductor of the Westchester Youth Symphony for 27 years until 1997. He presently serves as coordinator and associate conductor for the GWYOA Youth Symphony.

MICHAEL DILTHEY AND KAREN SUNDE

MICHAEL DILTHEY, composer, and **KAREN SUNDE**, playwright, have created the opera *Spa*. He is a parent

of four GWYOA musicians. Dr. Dilthey is a music professor at Norwalk Community College.

GREATER WESTCHESTER YOUTH ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION

A string teacher in the Scarsdale public schools, Harry Alshin, sowed the seeds for the GWYOA by organizing and conducting the first countywide orchestra, Junior Strings, in 1955. His vision prepared the young participants for the first Youth Symphony which was established two years later.

Early on GWYOA was sponsored by Westchester County and rehearsed in the basement of the Westchester County Center. They also co-sponsored a summer camp with Westchester County at Croton Point Park. The orchestras currently rehearse at Westchester Community College where Junior Strings and Youth Symphony members earn college credits for their participation.

GWYOA began their Carnegie Hall performances in the 1980s. Their first performance was memorable in that the Youth Symphony performed Dvořák's Symphony No. 9 in E minor, "From the New World" which premiered at Carnegie Hall in 1893. In 2002 the orchestras performed for the first time at Avery Fisher Hall. Other performance venues include Alice Tully Hall, Kennedy Center, SUNY-Purchase, NYSSMA State Conferences, Ellis Island, 1976 Bicentennial Celebration in Philadelphia, and various local hospitals, nursing homes and schools. In April 2006 the Youth Symphony played at the White Plains Performing Arts Center as part of the "Downtown Music at Grace" series.

Guided by its dedicated volunteer board of directors, the organization has a long tradition of providing young musicians with excellent classical music training. For 50 years GWYOA has graduated scores of talented young players, some of whom have gone on to perform with

world famous orchestras, including the New York Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, Jerusalem Symphony, Detroit Symphony, and Baltimore Symphony. GWYOA continues to offer a vibrant and musically exciting experience for all its participants.

THE Orchestras



THE WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY STRINGS ORCHESTRA

The GWYOA Elementary Strings, comprised of 55 to 60 students in grades four through six, provides a unique opportunity for young string players to begin their orchestral training. For many, it is their first opportunity to play with a group of musicians

with similar abilities. The orchestra offers its members the opportunity to advance their skills and participate in an array of concerts at sites ranging from local schools and hospitals to such prestigious venues as Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center.



THE WESTCHESTER JUNIOR STRINGS ORCHESTRA

The first of the GWYOA orchestras, this group consists of 70-75 students in grades seven through nine. Participation in the Junior Strings Orchestra allows young musicians to hone their playing technique, improve

their sight-reading, and further develop ensemble skills, performing in many different venues. They play a wide range of compositions from Baroque to contemporary, and have had works composed for them as well.



THE WESTCHESTER YOUTH SYMPHONY

Considered one of America's foremost youth orchestras, the GWYOA Youth Symphony is a full orchestra, including strings students in grades 10 through 12 and wind, brass, and percussion students in grades nine and above. This ensemble is comprised of more

than 100 gifted musicians who have demonstrated advanced ability and musicality. The Lionti-Lewis Concerto Competition recognizes outstanding members of the orchestra's graduating class each year.

THE GWYOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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RECOGNITION OF EDWIN SIRLIN

The entire GWYOA family would like to extend a special thank you to Edwin Sirlin. Mr. Sirlin is retiring from GWYOA after 15 years of devoted service as parent volunteer, Board Member and Treasurer. He has been a source of boundless energy and has demonstrated unflagging dedication to the artistic and financial success of this organization. We are deeply appreciative of all his efforts through the years and extend to him our best wishes for his continued success in all his current and future endeavors.

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