



Welcome Conductor Feldman!

The Westchester Youth Symphony has had only five conductors since its inception. Harry Alshin sowed the seeds for a Westchester-based youth orchestra in 1955. Dale Lewis was the next conductor, followed by Victor Lionti, who took over the baton in 1970 and maintained it for 25 years.

His son, Vincent Lionti, followed in his father's footsteps and in 1996 began passionately guiding the Westchester Youth Symphony for the next 24 years.

Tragically, Vincent passed away on April 3, 2020 from a COVID-19 related illness.

Following the incomprehensible loss of Vincent, the GWYOA board of directors appointed Kathleen Coletta Feldman to the position of interim conductor for the COVID challenged 2020-2021 season.

Conductor Feldman's dedicated enthusiasm during the difficult season, combined with her boundless energy, knowledge, expertise, and rapport with her musicians surpassed the board's expectations.

On November 3, 2021 the board appointed her permanent conductor.





Presents

Winter Concert

Sunday, December 12, 2021 White Plains High School

The Westchester Elementary Strings

BERNARD R. KLINGER, Conductor

1:00 pm

The Westchester Junior Strings

JACQUELINE STERN, Conductor

2:00 pm

The Westchester Youth Symphony

KATHLEEN COLETTA FELDMAN, Conductor

3:15 pm





The Westchester Elementary Strings

BELA BARTOCK

arr. by Walter Cummings

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL arr. by Tim McCarrick

NERIDAH OOSTENBROEK

JOHANN STRAUSS JR. and JOSEF STRAUSS arr. by Robert D. McCashin

JACQUES OFFENBACH arr. by Steven Frackenpohl

Echoes of Bartok

Allegro Vivo, from Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 5

Hoedown Showdown

Pizzicato Polka

Infernal Galop, from Orpheus in the Underworld, Act 2



BERNARD R. KLINGER, Conductor

Bernard Klinger is a graduate of Hartt College of Music where he received bachelors degrees in Music Education and Viola Performance. He has a masters degree in Music Education from Columbia University Teachers College. Mr. Klinger taught strings and orchestra at Holland Hill School in Fairfield, Connecticut

for 5 years. Before that, he taught strings and orchestra in the Chappaqua and White Plains School Districts for 33 years. He was principal violist in the Ridgefield, Connecticut, Symphony, and currently plays viola in the Greenwich Symphony. He is a Past President of the Westchester County School Music Association. Mr. Klinger has conducted the GWYOA Elementary Strings since 1997.

The Westchester Elementary Strings

Violin I

Jane Zhao

Viviana Chung *
Kyle Hung **
Neve Aikman
Zachary Behr
Mona Frank
Jake Inoue
Mandy Ke
Luke Liu
Brayden Lu
Maya Nilsen-Baumwoll
Minyoung Suk
Yuusuke Tseng
Sophia Wang
Jessica Xu

Violin II

Frances Chidley ^ May Confalone ^^ Mina Auletta Felix Brass Lily Golub Annalise Hertlein Henry Jaeger Eva Lammer Miri Lebwohl Serine Lee Annabelle Lin Elizabeth Macdonald Clara Nilsen-Baumwoll Saoirse O'Brien **Emily Pizzuti** Evan Siu Joseph Tantsyura Shengrui Wang Mira Williams-Ameen

Viola

Stephanie Vargas ^ Alexander Makarov ^ Mia Barnett Johann Fueting

Matthew Pascutti ^

Cello

Ainslea Hong ^^
Zeki Eren
Lian Guo
William Hannibal
Felix Hong
Hudson Hwang
Ethan Ioffe
Hazel Kwon
Luke Padovano
Annabelle Park
Erin Park
Michael Wu
Iris Yang

Bass

Jack Ellrodt

^{*} Concertmaster

^{**} Assistant Concertmaster

[^] Principal/Co Principal

^{^^} Assistant Principal



The Westchester Junior Strings

JOHANN STAMITZ

Mannheim Sinfonia in A

Allegro assai

BENJAMIN BRITTEN

Simple Symphony

Sentimental Sarabande Frolicsome Finale

SCOTT JOPLIN arr. James Pekol

Solace

"A Mexican Serenade"

BELA BARTOK

Dances of Transylvania

Dudasok (Bagpipers) Medvetanz (Bear Dance) Finale

JOHN RUTTER

Suite for Strings

A-Roving



JACQUELINE STERN, Conductor

Jacqueline Stern has conducted Junior Strings since 1996, before which she was the founding conductor of Elementary Strings. She is Director of Instrumental Music at the Green Meadow Waldorf School, where she conducts the orchestras, teaches 'cello and music history and coaches chamber music. Ms Stern is an active orchestral and chamber music performer with many groups

in the tri-state area including the trio Terzetta, Stamford Symphony and the Encore Chamber Players. She has played Baroque cello with the Artek Ensemble, Orchestra of the 18th Century, and New York Baroque. She has been an artist-fellow with the Bach Aria Festival and a full scholarship student at the Britten-Pears School for Advanced Musical Studies in England. Ms Stern has conducted, coached and been clinician at various music festivals in the metropolitan area. She holds a Bachelor of Music from Ithaca College and Master of Music from Manhattan School of Music, where she was a Helena Rubinstein Foundation Scholar. She has been a participant in the Music Educators' Workshop at the Resnick Education Center of Carnegie Hall since 2016 and a Conducting Fellow at the Pacific Northwest Conducting Institute and the Queens College Conducting Workshop.

The Westchester Junior Strings

Violin I

Reese Wang * Katie Hung ** Natalie Baccay Olivia Bercun Alex Bond James Ding Sara Driver Aleah Inoue Selina Li April Middleton **Justine Pascutti** Gaby Rubinfine **Daniel Song** Amir Thalappillil Alyssum Wong Ava Wu Thomas Xin

Violin II

Ariana Chung ^
Koh Ando
Ari Bellman
Miranda Cabrera
Owen Chen
Penelope Conway
Wade Han
Elliott Levine
Shawn Lin
Avi Medar

Violin II (continued)

Brian Song Jiayang Su Serina Tomioka Aadhya Vijil Aditi Vijil Melissa Wang Karen Yang

Viola

Jordan Pak ^
Jason Cai
Verity Chao
Lilian Chen
Daniel Cho
Abigail Choi
Terence Flanagan
Leila Ibrahim
Kelly Krupa
Matthew Lebowitz
Navin Vasudev
Alice Wu
Carol Yang

Cello

Saskia Aikman ^ Zoey Acker Camilla Browand Em Camillo Lauren Capurso

Cello (continued)

Aimi Castillo
Oliver Ellsworth
Scarlett Hartzman
Grant Hwang
Trisha Iyer
Conner Kim
Joshua Lee
Hannah Loges
Richa Patil
Evangeline Santos
Aadi Sethi
Theodore Stern
Noah Tsau
Andrew Xu
Zoe Yau

Bass

Jason Ling ^ Rani Benslimane Wyatt Ellrodt Zion Park Jake Siegel

^{*} Concertmaster

^{**} Assistant Concertmaster

[^] Section Principal



The Westchester Youth Symphony

JEAN SIBELIUS

Karelia Overture, Op. 10

SERGEI PROKOFIEV

Lieutenant Kijé Suite, Op. 60

II. Romance

III. The Wedding

IV. Troika

W.C. HANDY arr. Mike Lewis

St. Louis Blues

FRANZ SCHUBERT

Symphony 9 in C Major, D. 944 "The Great"

I. Andante-Allegro ma non troppo-Piu moto



KATHLEEN COLETTA FELDMAN, Conductor

Kathleen Feldman holds degrees in violin performance from Purchase College (SUNY) and music education from Manhattanville College (MAT), as well as a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Boston University. She is a music teacher with the Chappaqua Central School District, where she has taught strings district-wide since 2005.

She is currently the orchestra director at Horace Greeley High School and teaches courses in music history and theory. She performs regularly with local orchestras and has served as guest conductor for The Chappaqua Orchestra's summer pops concerts. A Past-President of the Westchester County School Music Association, she is currently an advisor to the Board of Directors. Prior to her work with the GWYOA, she was orchestra director for the Westchester Putnam Youth Symphony, Senior and Junior divisions.

The Westchester Youth Symphony

Violin I

Fanglin Yuan *
Angela Berg
Ritika Brahmadesam
James Conway
Amelia Chung
Harry Griff
Ira Guruprasad
Manolis Huerta-Stylianou
Elizabeth Kim
Jo-Lynn Kok

Violin I (continued)

Rose Margolies Remi Mellinghoff Alex Powell Camille Stewart Julia Sun Mark Tarazi Jake Tetenman Tyra Williams Reinesse Wong

Violin II

Aniketh Arvind
Ollie Baccay
Jonathan Bai
David Bond
Olivia Chen
Maria Eberhardt
Sophia Huang
Advait Huggahalli
Keith Mon
Keilah Om
Srivatsen Srinivasan
Naveen Tomlinson
Palmer Wentworth
Rachel Zhang

* Concertmaster



C. VICTOR LIONTI, Conductor Emeritus

C. Victor Lionti was Musical Director and Conductor of the Westchester Youth Symphony for 27 years from 1970 until 1997. 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. A graduate of the Eastman School of Music and the Catholic University of America, Mr. Lionti has performed with the Rochester Philharmonic, the Hartford Symphony, the US Marine Band in Washington, DC, and as principal violist with the Greenwich Symphony. Mr. Lionti was Music Director of the Aaron Copland Music and Arts program in Westchester County. He presently serves as coordinator and Associate Conductor for the GWYOA Youth Symphony.



The Westchester Youth Symphony

Viola

Kaavya Girdhar Sophia Intravaia Tevin Kim Lily Lebwohl Zoe Lien Lydia Lung Cordelia Martin Erick Morales Patrick Moran Janiya Morgan Jacob Sellitti Talia Tirschwell Lionel Yu

Cello

Cesar Aguilera Nikita Basok Jad Benslimane Jordan Brown Issac Chong Cyrus Dadina Jack Damon Zachary Geller Luke Inoue Reine Kim Klara Kunz Joshua Levy Joseph Miele Caera O'Brien

Cello (continued)

Andrew Song Rylan Sturm Hazel Tjaden Ben Tran Leon Wang Jordan Zhao

Bass

Marissa Abramson Richik Acharya William Anderson Taylor Bennett Jayden Holmes Eli Kamanja Liam Lobl Ava Snyder

Flute

Ellie Yang ^^ Catilin Rubsamen ^^ Chaeyoung Lee Nina Lyppens

Oboe

Jingyan Zhang ^ Alexander Olener Joe Sdao

Clarinet

Daniel Patchen

Tenor Saxophone

Liam Webb

Bassoon

Leo Pushkin

Trumpet

Maxwel Lee ^
William Fenton
Christina Huerta-Stylianou
Brian Mulvey
Alex Watts
Liam Watts
Liam Webb

French Horn

Victoria Fenton ^ Sofia Carrillo Ethan Hersch Ben Wien

Percussion

Paolo Ciaramitaro

[^] Principal^^ Co Principal

The GWYOA Board of Directors

Margaret Bond, Chairperson Kristine Fenton, Vice-chairperson Paul Pak, Treasure

Paul Pak, Treasurer Barbara Cabrera, Secretary Amy Chan

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Elementary Strings

Bernard Klinger, Conductor Elena Inoue, Co-Liaison Iris Wong, Co-Liaison

Junior Strings

Jacqueline Stern, Conductor Sujatha Thalappillil, Co-Liaison Candy Huang, Co-Liaison Youth Symphony

Kathleen Coletta Feldman, Conductor

C. Victor Lionti,

Conductor Emeritus

Cricket Powell, *Co-Liaison* Laura Chmielewski, *Co-Liaison*

Parent Volunteers

The GWYOA greatly appreciates the invaluable assistance from our parent volunteers.

Elementary Strings

Fiona Aikman
Debra Auletta
Mitra Behr
Colleen Chidley
Yingying Dong
Patricia Ellrodt
Selcuk Eren
Noriko Frank
Nani Fueting
Katrina Golub

Catherine Hannibal Meredith Hertlein Jennifer Lammer

Minji Li

Bona Han

Elementary Strings (continued)

Nina Liu Haelim Lee Emilia Oskotsky Jessica Pizzuti Chiulin Sung Yingxin Xu

Junior Strings

Wahiba Sebbane Benslimane Inkyoung Choi Liz Steger-Hartzman and Marc Hartzman Nataliya Kuzhylina Ailun Yang **Youth Symphony**

Inkyoung Choi Kyung Lee Maggie Levy Kristin Mulvey Chandana Nallan Eleonore Srinivasan Despina Stylianou Haijing Wang Jim Zhao

Winter Concert

Fred Cabrera,

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Liz Yamamoto

Thank you St. Gregory!

For allowing the GWYOA to have a safe and successful 2021-2022 season.

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Hovsepyan, Pasyor The Parish Council Juan Gaytan

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Upcoming Events

Complete information available at gwyoa.org



Sunday, May 8, 2022Alice Tully Hall
Lincoln Center, NYC

Open Auditions for the 2022-2023 Season

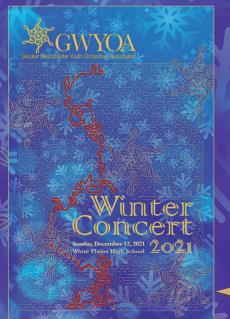
We welcome new musicians and current members moving up to audition to participate in another exciting season of inspiring music! For complete information and to register, please go to **www.gwyoa.org.**

Saturday, May 14, 2022

For non-members interested in joining the GWYOA orchestras

Monday, May 16, 2022

For graduating members of Elementary Strings and Junior Strings who wish to move up to the next orchestra. And for non-members interested in joining the Elementary Strings orchestra.



The Greater Westchester Youth Orchestras Association is a not-for-profit organization providing excellent grounding in cooperation, helping young people to develop self esteem, and promoting harmony in our ethnically diverse community through classical music training. GWYOA consists of three orchestras made up of students in grades four through twelve from Westchester County, and from the surrounding counties in the Tri-State area.

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