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OUR STORY

DEVELOPING EXCELLENCE IN EVERY STUDENT

Founded in 1977, **Oklahoma Youth Orchestras (OKYO)** provides advanced orchestral education and performance opportunities for talented young musicians. It strengthens already existing school instrumental music programs, and supplements instrumental music programs that do not include orchestra.

It provides the opportunity for young musicians from many different schools to work together to challenge their performance skills under the direction of respected conductors and music educators.

Today, that focus has grown and helped produce many talented musicians, conductors, performers, instructors, and teachers worldwide.

Oklahoma Youth Orchestras is a non-profit organization that receives financial support from a combination of sources, including membership dues, concert admission, grants, special projects, and donations.

Oklahoma Youth Orchestras serves over 350 Oklahoma students and their families with 12 ensembles and programs:

- Oklahoma Youth Orchestra (OYO)
- Oklahoma Youth Philharmonic (OYP)
- Oklahoma Youth Winds (OYW)
- Percussion Ensemble
- Chamber Orchestra
- Sinfonia
- Festival Strings Edmond
- Festival Strings Norman
- Festival Strings Oklahoma City
- Festival Winds
- Studio Rockestra
- Summer Symphony Strings Camp



OUR MISSION

Through quality instrumental music education programs for students and accessible cultural offerings for the community, Oklahoma Youth Orchestras provides opportunities for artistic excellence to central and western Oklahoma.

Learn more about **OKYO**, its ensembles, or how you can become involved at okyomusic.org



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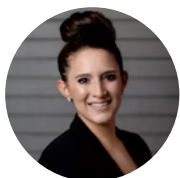
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The Summer Symphony Strings Camp (SSSC)

is a weekday commuter day camp that takes place in the heart of downtown OKC at John Rex Elementary School

Who can attend? SSSC is open to students in grades 5 through 8 (in the 2022-2023 school year) who have been playing for at least one year and can read music. NO audition is required!

What do we do each day? Students participate in orchestra rehearsals and have special coaching time with each section, all led by some of the metro area's best music educators. In addition, we take advantage of our unique downtown location and participate in daily "Arts Experience" field trips.

What makes SSSC different from other string camps? Our camp is a more comprehensive arts camp, giving students the opportunity to experience many styles of music and other art forms in our community. In 2022, campers enjoyed

recital hour performances by award winning fiddle player, Kyle Dillingham, and Stringsmen OKC, a string quartet specializing in modern and popular music. Daily field trips took them around downtown, including a guided tour of the OKC Museum of Art, the Civic Center Music Hall, and Paycom Arena. Interactive experiences also included a workshop by RACE Dance Collective, where students were introduced to Hip-Hop Dance.

Under the direction of Camp Artistic Director and 2014 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year, Peter Markes, the week concludes on Friday with a Camp Closing Ceremonies Concert for friends and family.

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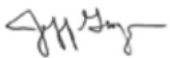
Thank you all for supporting OKYO and helping us to grow into the incredible organization we are today.....45 years old!

Our student musicians and conductors have begun this season with more great energy and passion than I can remember. We've been through so much! The Artistic Staff is proud to bring you a wonderful year of challenging programming, which will include works that are inspired by other art forms like dance, literature, visual art, ballet and opera.

This year's OYO ensemble is made up of nearly 100 of the finest student musicians in Oklahoma — and will perform at the historic and prestigious Carnegie Hall in June of 2023. **A FIRST for the OKYO organization.**

I am so proud of the commitment to excellence that is shown week in, week out from our students, families, and staff. Thank you again for supporting all of our young musicians.

Enjoy the concert!



Jeff Grogan
Artistic Director



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NOTABLE AWARDS & HONORS

Throughout its 45 year history, OKYO has been recognized as an outstanding leader in arts education and opportunities for young musicians. Ensembles have performed in China, Scandinavia, New Zealand, and throughout Europe. Honors include performances at The Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, the League of American Orchestras National Conference in Dallas, the reopening of Civic Center Music Hall in Oklahoma City, and numerous performances at the annual Oklahoma Music Educators Conference in Tulsa. Recent accomplishments include:

2018:

OKYO received a Governor's Arts Award in special recognition of contribution to arts education

2021:

OKYO received the ONE Award in Arts and Humanities from the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits

2022:

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022 - 4:00PM

Performing Arts Theatre - Oklahoma City Community College
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023 - 2:30PM

Performing Arts Theatre - Oklahoma City Community College
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With performances by Festival Strings and OYO

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023 - 6:30PM

Performing Arts Theatre - Oklahoma City Community College
7777 S. May Avenue, Oklahoma City

With performances by Festival Winds, OYW and OYP

SPRING CONCERT SEASON FINALE SERIES

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023 - 4:00PM

Performing Arts Theatre - Oklahoma City Community College
7777 S. May Avenue, Oklahoma City

With performances by Studio Rockestra, Sinfonia, and OYO

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023 - 4:00PM

Performing Arts Theatre - Oklahoma City Community College
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With performances by Festival Winds, Festival Strings,
Chamber Orchestra, OYW, and OYP

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023

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events on our [Rehearsal and Performance Calendar](#).

Our Spring 2023 *Play It Forward*™ Campaign is underway!

Each spring, Oklahoma Youth Orchestras launches a fundraising campaign geared toward furthering the benefits in which all of the students we serve are afforded.

In addition to providing musical instruction and experiences, we are developing the next generation of civic and arts leaders by empowering each student to use their knowledge, skills, and dedication to make the world a better place.

These enhanced life skill building opportunities are only possible through the generous donations from individuals, foundations, trusts, and corporations alike.

The Board of Directors and Advisory Council of Oklahoma Youth Orchestras, along with The Ad Astra Foundation have pledged a \$15,000 community match and have challenged themselves to raise an additional \$15,000 for this most worthy purpose.

PLAY IT FORWARD

You can help outstanding students make amazing music for the 2023-24 season with a tax deductible gift today.

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Dear Friends of Oklahoma Youth Orchestras,

Welcome to OKYO's 45th season! As Chair of the Board of Directors, I am excited to see our Artistic Director Jeffrey Grogan leading the students on an incredible journey through music, and our Executive Director Kris Markes leading and managing our business affairs! They make an amazing team, and we are very fortunate to have them. We are blessed with many talented local music educators and an excellent support staff that work with your children each week.

Our Board of Directors are leaders in our community who volunteer their time and talents to support the staff, students, and families of OKYO. One of our jobs is helping to raise funds for OKYO to support our programs and special events. This year, we look forward to the upcoming Carnegie Hall / New York trip for our students, and collaboration across art forms that will expand our students' creative experiences.

My wife and I became familiar with the OKYO several years ago, when my daughter Rachel joined as a bassoonist. We got to experience the joys of seeing Rachel flourish as a musician and a person, with the in-depth experience that OKYO provides. She also experienced first-hand the powerful and positive impact performing music in different settings and cultures has on students during an OKYO performing tour in Europe. Rachel continues to play music and serve her community, now as the Executive Director of the Canton (Ohio) Symphony. She, like many of our OKYO alumni, has a philosophy of "Playing It Forward" – using their gifts and talents to lift others up. Rachel will be the first to tell you that her success as a musician and a professional has been greatly impacted by her time with the Oklahoma Youth Orchestras.

It has been my pleasure to serve the OKYO Board in various capacities since the fall of 2015, and during this season I am very pleased to be working with Joe Rodano as Chair Elect. We need those who are willing to contribute their time and talent at OKYO, and I encourage you to introduce yourself to me, Joe, or any of our board members to see how you can get involved in this great work!

If this is your first time at an OKYO concert, you are in for a treat – the dedication of our students and the expertise of our Artistic Staff are evident in the outstanding music our students perform together! I encourage you to get more involved with this great organization – whether by attending more concerts, volunteering, or giving a gift to the *Play It Forward*™ campaign.

From all of us at OKYO, welcome and enjoy the music!

Sincerely,



Paul Hagemeyer
Chair, Board of Directors





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Welcome to our 45th Season! We are so excited to welcome our students and families to a fantastic season full of incredible music and wonderful opportunities for our musicians! Beginning with rehearsals this fall, our students have been focused on teamwork, musicianship, creativity, and leadership, all under the direction of our outstanding conducting faculty.

This season, OKYO has grown to more than 350 students strong and we are grateful to so many who have made this possible. We are thrilled to be able to relaunch some of our traditions, including the OYO Side By Side Rehearsal with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, Student Leadership Council sponsored events and activities, and the Composer in Residence program, and to continue our partnership with Oklahoma City Community College where we are able to present our performances in a state of the art concert hall.

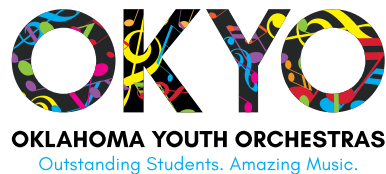
As Oklahoma's largest youth orchestra program, OKYO relies on the ongoing support and generosity of our many community partners. A special thank you to all who make our work possible through individual gifts, corporate sponsorships, and foundation support.

Whether you are a student, parent, community member, or volunteer, we thank you for making OKYO what it is today. For forty-five seasons, OKYO has been providing quality instrumental music education for outstanding students through excellence in performance, and this season, the tradition continues!

With gratitude,



Kris Markes
Executive Director



FOR AINSLEY LAFFERTY

Our dearest Ainsley Roo,
It is a deep joy to be your biggest cheerleaders and fans.
You live your life to bring glory to God and to shine His light to all who know you. "Let your light so shine before men, that they might see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:16

We love the OYO Harpist!

Love, your Mama, Avery, Tenley, Nana and Papa



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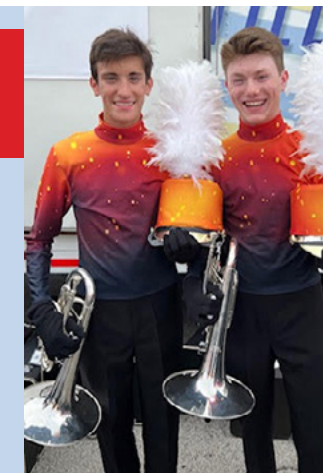
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Well Done!



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**SEASON FINALE SOLOIST
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CHRISTINA GE
Cellist & Member of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestra Ensemble

As this year's winner of the Annual Concerto Competition for The Louise Francella Waldorf Prize for Excellence in Solo Performance, Christina will perform as a soloist in the OYO Ensemble during the Spring Concert Series I and will receive a scholarship prize.

CHRISTINA GE, 17, started studying cello at age eight with Dr. Meredith Blecha-Wells of Oklahoma State University. Christina made her solo debut with South Kansas Symphony Orchestra in 2022 after winning the South Kansas Symphony Concerto Competition.

She recently placed first in the Ladies Music Club Scholarship Competition High School Senior Division. In 2020, she placed first at the Oklahoma City Orchestra League Buttram Competition (Grades 9-12) and was the second place cello division winner of the 2022 OKCPhil Young Musician Competition.

She has performed in masterclasses by Hans Jensen, Ka-Wai Yu, Christine Lamprea, and Wesley Baldwin. She has also participated in the Oklahoma All-State for three years (2020 1st chair, 2021 3rd Chair, 2022 2nd chair), the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute Orchestra for four years, the North Central Honor Orchestra for six years, and has served as the Assistant Principal Cellist of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestra for four years.

She is currently the president of the OKYO Student Leadership Council and the founder and president of Edmond North High School's Orchestra Club. Christina will attend the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences at Northwestern University this fall.

Oklahoma Youth Orchestras congratulates its outstanding student for her artistic accomplishment and looks forward to watching her bright future!

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- Ludwig Göransson/arr. Robert Longfield. *The Mandalorian*
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OKLAHOMA YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Mr. Jeffrey Grogan, Conductor

- Leonard Bernstein *Overture to Candide*
 Jaylin Vinson *Scissor-Tailed*
Oklahoma Premiere
 Edward Elgar Cello Concerto in E Minor, Op. 85
 IV: Allegro/Moderato/Allegro, ma non troppo
Christina Ge, Cello Soloist
Concerto Competition Winner of The Louise Francelia Waldorf Prize
for Excellence in Solo Performance
 Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky March Slav, Op. 31

COMPOSER'S REVIEW
SCISSOR-TAILED



JAYLIN VINSON
Composer and Violinist

As a native Oklahoman, I have always been moved by the beauty and resilience of my home state. Oklahoma's rich Native American heritage, vast open plains, and developing urban communities have continuously inspired the creation of music that captures the essence of this special place.

Scissor-Tailed is a perfect symbol of the spirit of Oklahoma, named after the state bird of Oklahoma. The scissor-tailed flycatcher is known for its graceful flight and striking appearance. This piece is an open letter, paying tribute to the state's rich history and cultural traditions.

The piece begins with a slow and lyrical section, which showcases the beauty and sense of community that is integral to life in Oklahoma. The strings provide an ethereal texture, evoking the state's open spaces and natural beauty. This section features an original melody inspired by Creek folk music, honoring the Native American heritage of Oklahoma.

The second section of the piece is faster and more energetic, reflecting the hustle and bustle of Oklahoma's growing urban communities. This section serves as a metaphor for Oklahoma's history as an agricultural community transitioning to an urbanized landscape.

Scissor-Tailed is a homage to Oklahoma's history, culture, and growth. It is a testament to my deep connection to my home state. With the final notes, one could be left with a sense of pride and connection to this special place, and a renewed appreciation for the beauty of the scissor-tailed flycatcher and all it represents.

JAYLIN VINSON, born and raised in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is a composer and violinist whose music is deeply rooted in the vibrant and diverse musical traditions of Black and African musical expression. Vinson draws inspiration from a wide range of sources, including gospel, hip-hop, and other idioms from the African diaspora. He weaves these influences together in a seamless tapestry of sound, creating compositions that are both dynamic and deeply expressive.

Vinson's music has been widely performed around the United States, with upcoming performances at prominent venues such as the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture and The Kennedy Center. He has collaborated with various organizations, including Brevard Music Center, Columbia Civic Orchestra, Heifetz International Music Institute, and the US Navy Band. Vinson has received recognition from Brevard Music Center as a Fromm Foundation Fellow, as well as winning awards from the International Tribeca New Music Ensemble and the Texas New Music Ensemble Student Composition Competition.

Currently, Vinson is pursuing a BM in composition from the Shepherd School of Music at Rice University in Houston, Texas.



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John Philip Sousa/arr. Jay Bocook *The Thunderer*
 James Swearingen *The Falling Rain*
 Anthony Susi *Tornado Alley*

OKLAHOMA YOUTH WINDS

Dr. Matthew Mailman, Conductor
 Ms. Sarah Neely, Associate Conductor

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 Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate *Seminole Snake Dance*
Oklahoma Premiere
 Brian Balmages *Primal Dances*
Dillan Francis, Conductor

FESTIVAL STRINGS

Ms. Kristin Geist, Festival Strings OKC Conductor
 Ms. Sarah Grote, Festival Strings Edmond Conductor
 Mr. Mark Osborn, Festival Strings Norman conductor

Richard Meyer *Night Shift*
 arr. Carrie Lane Gruselle *The Crawdad Song*
 Bruce Chase *Ragtime Fiddles*

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Ms. Kristin Geist, Conductor
 Mr. Dustin Borjas, Young Strings Coach

Kathryn Griesinger *Ignite*
 Antonio Gallegos *India*
OKYO Composer-In-Residence
 Alan Lee Silva *Colors of Home*

OKLAHOMA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

Dr. Charlene Dell, Conductor

Johannes Brahms *Academic Festival Overture*
 Ben Model *One Week*, a silent movie with Buster Keato

Video recordings of these performances will be made available to all OKYO families in the coming weeks at no charge.



JEROD IMPICHCHAACHAAHA' TATE
Chickasaw Classical Composer and Pianist
Featuring the Oklahoma Premiere of
Seminole Snake Dance

JEROD IMPICHCHAACHAAHA' TATE, is a classical composer, citizen of the Chickasaw Nation in Oklahoma and is dedicated to the development of American Indian classical composition. His Washington Post review states that "Tate is rare as an American Indian composer of classical music. Rarer still is his ability to effectively infuse classical music with American Indian nationalism."

Tate is Guest Composer/Conductor/Pianist for San Francisco Symphony Currents program Thunder Song: American Indian Musical Cultures and was recently Guest Composer for Metropolitan Museum of Art's Balcony Bar program Home with ETHEL and Friends, featuring his commissioned work Pisachi (Reveal) for String Quartet.

Recent commissions include Shell Shaker: A Chickasaw Opera for Mount Holyoke Symphony Orchestra, Ghost of the White Deer, Concerto for Bassoon and Orchestra for Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Hózhó (Navajo Strong) and Ithánali (I Know) for White Snake Opera Company. His music was recently featured on the HBO series Westworld.

His commissioned works have been performed by the National Symphony Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony and Chorus, Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Minnesota Orchestra, Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Oklahoma City Philharmonic, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, South Dakota Symphony Orchestra, Colorado Ballet, Canterbury Voices, Dale Warland Singers, Santa Fe Desert Chorale and Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival.

Tate has held Composer-in-Residence positions for Music Alive, a national residency program of the League of American Orchestras and New Music USA, the Joyce Foundation/American Composers Forum, Oklahoma City's NewView Summer Academy, Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation and Grand Canyon Music Festival Native American Composer Apprentice Project. Tate was the founding composition instructor for the Chickasaw Summer Arts Academy and has taught composition to American Indian high school students in Minneapolis, the Hopi, Navajo and Lummi reservations and Native students in Toronto.

Mr. Tate is a three-time commissioned recipient from the American Composers Forum, a Chamber Music America's Classical Commissioning Program recipient, a Cleveland Institute of Music Alumni Achievement Award recipient, a governor-appointed Creativity Ambassador for the State of Oklahoma and an Emmy Award winner for his work on the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority documentary, The Science of Composing.

In addition to his work based upon his Chickasaw culture, Tate has worked with the music and language of multiple tribes, such as: Choctaw, Navajo, Cherokee, Ojibway, Creek, Pechanga, Comanche, Lakota, Hopi, Tlingit, Lenape, Tongva, Shawnee, Caddo, Ute, Aleut, Shoshone, Cree, Paiute and Salish/Kootenai.

Among available recorded works are Iholba' (The Vision) for Solo Flute, Orchestra and Chorus and Tracing Mississippi, Concerto for Flute and Orchestra, recorded by the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, on the Grammy Award winning label Azica Records.

Tate earned his Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from Northwestern University, where he studied with Dr. Donald Isaak, and his Master of Music in Piano Performance and Composition from The Cleveland Institute of Music, where he studied with Elizabeth Pastor and Dr. Donald Erb. He has performed as First Keyboard on the Broadway national tours of Les Misérables and Miss Saigon and been a guest pianist and accompanist for the Colorado Ballet, Hartford Ballet and numerous ballet and dance companies.

Mr. Tate's middle name, Impichchaachaaha', means "his high corncrib" and is his inherited traditional Chickasaw house name. A corncrib is a small hut used for the storage of corn and other vegetables. In traditional Chickasaw culture, the corncrib was built high off the ground on stilts to keep its contents safe from foraging animals.



ANTONIO GALLEGOS
Composition Major and
2022-2023 Composer-In-Residence Winner
India

ANTONIO GALLEGOS is a sophomore composition major at Oklahoma City University, He has studied under the guidance of renowned composers Dr. Edward Knight and Dr. Jamie Whitmarsh. Antonio has won 3rd place at the ICA's 2023 Young Artist Composition Competition. He has also been accepted into the Longy School of Music summer composition workshop.

Antonio has been appointed Composer-In-Residence with both the Oklahoma Youth Orchestras Chamber Orchestra ensemble and the El Sistema Alegria Orchestra.

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- Oklahoma Youth Orchestra
- Oklahoma Youth Winds
- Oklahoma Youth Philharmonic
- Chamber Orchestra
- Sinfonia

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Videos are due by May 30 at 5PM

Additional Ensembles

No Audition Required

- Festival Strings Edmond
- Festival Strings OKC
- Festival Strings Norman
- Festival Winds
- Studio Rockestra

Audition requirements and info about Membership Dues and Special Scholarships are available at www.okyomusic.org/join. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to us!

About OKYO

Oklahoma Youth Orchestras provides a fun, dynamic, and supportive music education community where young people are inspired to pursue their passion for music. Our goal is to provide an excellent music education experience, while also fostering creativity, teamwork, and leadership.

Weekly rehearsals are on Monday nights, September through May, led by outstanding music educators with regular performance opportunities taking place throughout the season. OKYO also offers an annual commuter day camp, Summer Symphony Strings Camp, open to students in grades 5 through 8 who have been playing for at least one year and can read music.

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Oklahoma Youth Orchestra (OYO)

Oklahoma Youth Orchestra (OYO), the flagship orchestra of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestras organization, is comprised of the most advanced high school musicians who perform standard repertoire, as well as music from contemporary composers.

OYO routinely performs with professional guest soloists, with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, as well as premieres new works.



Jeffrey Grogan

Artistic Director,
Oklahoma Youth Orchestras
& Conductor,
Oklahoma Youth Orchestra

"The students of OYO learn to really give it their all in rehearsal. They bring their best preparation and focus so we can dig deep together and make the magic happen. It is a privilege to work with these incredible young musicians and I am so proud of them."

AUDITIONED ENSEMBLES

VIOLIN I

Edward Kang †
Laura Pollack †
Stephan Zhang †
Stephen Gunn
Liusiena Herashchenkova
Kynlee Cook
Sophia Stoops
Mary Hufnagel
Jiho Yoon
Sherman Tan
Brayden Tran
Patrick Thai
Greyson Alexander
Elizabeth Hufnagel
Alice Hsu
Maxwell Xie
Jacob Meng

VIOLIN II

Miranda Thai †
Alex Kim **
Abby Tai
Briana England
Eon Lim
Esha Venkataraman
Sarah Fu
Grace Slovak
Kyle Hutson
Aaron Pan
Cassidy Ferguson
Charles Brockus
Yao Khowong
Sakura McCool
Kyle Chen
Kinley Collum

FLUTE

Jordan Fletcher *
Austin Braun **
Penelope Cline
Adrian Pan
Miranda Huang
Jimmy Escobar
Nicole Xiang
Raul Barrios-Lopez
Emma Bax

CELLO

Sophia Deng *
Christina Ge **
Tucker McSpadden
Michelle Huang
Julia Ungvari
Aiden Kim
Bella Tai
Jonah Fletcher
Jenna Jiang
Ely Gonzalez
Olivia Wang
Andrew Zheng
Conner Braun
Riley Robinson
Adrian Clements
Maya Joseph
Brownie Brimage

BASS

Xavier Vongphakdy *
Jacob Robinson **
Tyler Dees
Dacey Tietz
Drew Mognin
Jason Samuels

FLUTE

Stephanie Cromer
Olivia Friedemann
Michelle Shay

OBOE

Keaton Anderson
Sarah Bird
Jordan Carter

CLARINET

Braxen Butler
Alex Vo
Kelsey Waters

BASSOON

Jennie Higdon
Joshua Lennertz
Reagan Tollefson

HORN

Memphis Cook
Tristan Christy
Wyatt McNickle
Michael Pulliam
Holt Swanson
Kim Torres

TRUMPET

Jacob Bruce
Christopher Pringle
Kate Raines

TROMBONE

David Gilbreath
Norah Hager
Zach Raclaw

TUBA

Everett Shinn

HARP

Ainsley Lafferty

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY CONDUCTING ASSISTANTS

Samuel Brady
Joshua Tobias
Rueff Frazao

† Concertmaster

* Principal

** Co-principal

String students are placed based on auditions, but not in order front to back. Strengths and experience are strategically placed throughout the section for balance and uniformity. All other students are listed alphabetically.



Oklahoma Youth Philharmonic (OYP)

Oklahoma Youth Philharmonic (OYP), is a full orchestra ensemble consisting of mostly high school students in string, wind, brass, and percussion sections. Repertoire includes many standard masterworks, expertly arranged educational compositions, as well as many original compositions, contemporary works, and popular music straight from the movies.

In 2018, OYP performed as an Honor Ensemble at the Oklahoma Music Educators Association annual in-service. OYP has also participated in an exchange program with the Youth Symphonies of Kansas City.

To better serve student needs, OYP begins each season as a strings-only orchestra. This allows woodwinds and brass students to finish their busy marching band seasons and allows OYP to focus on string technique and ensemble.



Dr. Charlene Dell
Conductor,
Oklahoma Youth
Philharmonic

“OYP members have learned to become independent musicians, making our rehearsal time much more productive. Their ability to listen and adjust their playing to match their colleagues has helped OYP improve each week.”

VIOLIN I

Collin Anderson**
Avie Bales
Eden Bales*
Lila Bales
Madeline Braun
Elise Buyten
Arlo DeOme
Ava Tu
Kelvin Xie
Joy Yang

VIOLIN II

Bella Black
Serena Cai**
Luke DeHart
Silas Emrich
Juliana Hong**
Sophia Juarez-McDonald
Evan McLeary
Korbyn Swafford
Sherlyn Tan
Aaron Wang
Alice Wei
Emmy Xiang

VIOLA

Charles Metcalf
Lara Reams
Taksh Vaghela*

CELLO

Annie Compton
Markus Flatt
Chloe Hackler
Derah-lynn Horton
Hannah Ingels
Elizabeth Johnson
Lucy Kershen
Jacquelynn Locher*
Elizabeth Rathgeb-Brown

BASS

Pax Hayman
Patrick Markes
Henry Stoops*

FLUTE

Grace Goodin
Jacob Rubin*
Victoria Torres

OBOE

Ryan Black*

CLARINET

Kenidy Hutchins
Grayson Jenkins*

BASSOON

Aubrey Ketch*
Joseph Quick

HORN

Grady Gilbert
Zoe McDowell*
Sarah Peters
Damien Shelton

TRUMPET

Gabrielle McCullough
Emilio Osorto
Devin Ulmer

TROMBONE

Mac Hust
Jack Slayton*

TUBA

Andy Chan*

† Concertmaster

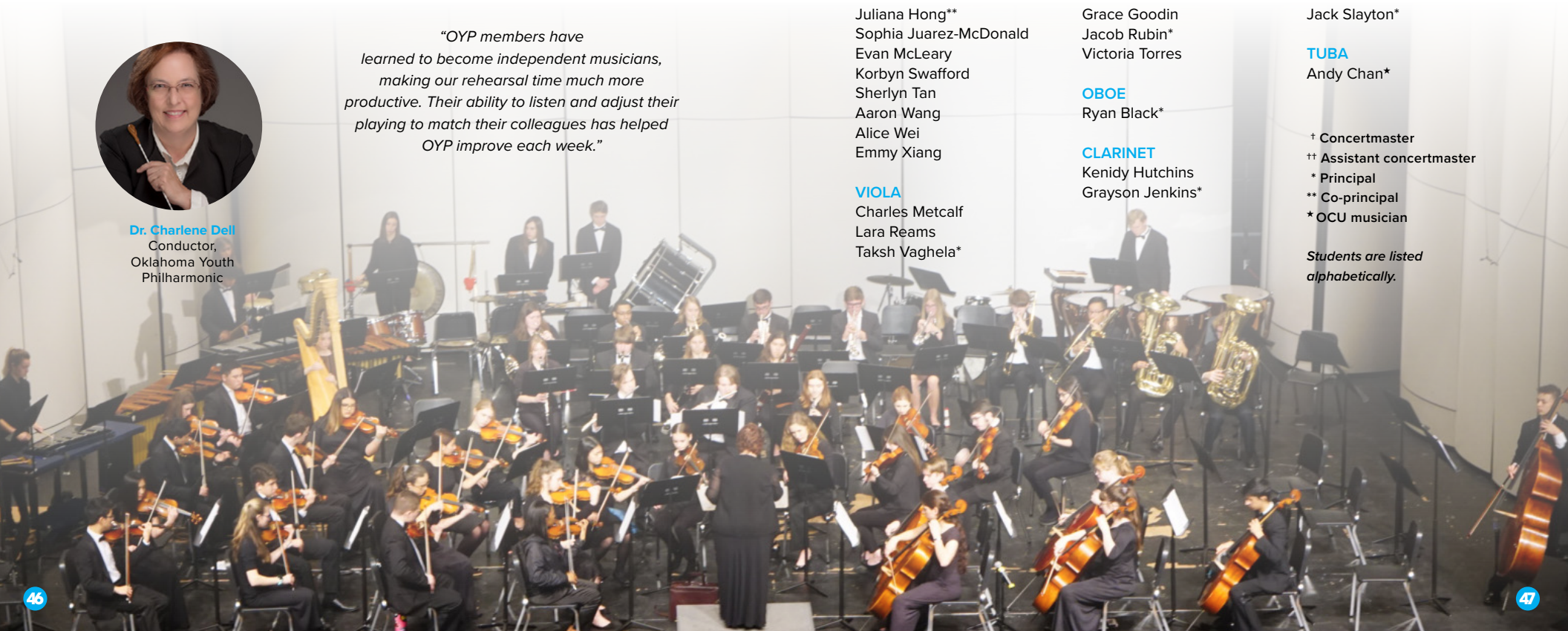
‡ Assistant concertmaster

* Principal

** Co-principal

* OCU musician

Students are listed alphabetically.



Oklahoma Youth Winds (OYW)

Founded in 2004, Oklahoma Youth Winds (OYW) is made up of talented high school wind and percussion students. This challenging honor wind ensemble provides experience in musical preparation and performance that students can take to their own high school band programs and exposes students to literature that they may not play in their school programs.

OYW has been invited to perform as an Honor Ensemble at the Oklahoma Music Educators Association annual in-service three times since 2013.



Dr. Matthew Mailman
Conductor,
Oklahoma Youth Winds

"How do we spell OYW?"

O is for "OPPORTUNITY" where students have a great setting to interact musically with other students from all over the OKC Metro and to learn about music from experts in the field.

Y is for "WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?" Our setting is familiar but different than what most students experience in their school music programs. We cover different repertoire and provide musical training from some of the finest music teachers in the state.

W is for "WOULD YOU FIT IN?" The answer is YES! Not only are all of our students friendly, but also everyone joins at their own musical skill levels and everyone is able to grow and have fun. Our diversity of personnel is one of the things that sets us apart!"



Sarah Neely
Associate Conductor,
Oklahoma Youth Winds

FLUTE

Abby Carmichael
Abby Ha
Lacy Hare
Alison Horowitz*
Madisyn Lemke
Gracie Lux
Ishaa Mehta
Liz Swindell

OBOE

Ayson Thelin*

CLARINET

Elaina Ballje*
Graham Barnett
Gabby Molina
Maren McIntyre
Jade Raper

BASS CLARINET

Antonio Gallegos*

BASSOON

Siley Bouchard
Emma Lansford*

ALTO SAX

Norah McIntyre*
Balint Pham

HORN

Laurie Cromer
Brennon Nave
Amy Renwick*
Adelyn White

TRUMPET

Bradley De Longe
Andrew Knisely*
Nathan Lam
Henry Livingood
Jackson Merchant
Zachary White

EUPHONIUM

Drake Desmond*

TROMBONE

Trey Cole*
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Chloe Walker*

TUBA

Dalton Burge*
Andy Chan*

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY CONDUCTING ASSISTANT

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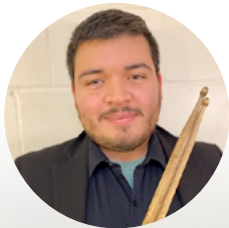
Percussion Ensemble

Percussionists in OKYO generally play in up to three full ensembles: OYO, OYP, and OYW; as well as independently as the OKYO Percussion Ensemble.

Percussion Coordinator Ashleigh Holmes, coordinates personnel and instrumentation. The Percussion Ensemble is led artistically by James Segovia, Jr.

PERCUSSIONISTS

- Kate Boothe
- Noe Cruz
- Armen Propes
- Zander Ritchie
- Frank Stanley
- Anjalina Thomas
- Jackson Young



James Segovia, Jr.

Conductor,
Percussion
Ensemble



Ashleigh Holmes

Percussion
Coordinator

“Percussion ensemble gives students the opportunity to work on techniques and repertoire that focuses on building well rounded musicians. We strive to develop musicality through chamber music and explore the skills needed to be a modern percussionist.”

Students are listed alphabetically.





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Chamber Orchestra

Chamber Orchestra is an auditioned string ensemble that rehearses and performs literature utilizing position work, advanced rhythms, keys, bowing techniques, articulations, and expression. Student musicians will demonstrate knowledge and performance of these skills in addition to vibrato, upper position work, and musicality. Individual practice and attendance at rehearsals and concerts is important to the development and success of both the student and the ensemble.



Kristin Geist
 Conductor,
 Chamber Orchestra
 & Conductor,
 Festival Strings OKC

VIOLIN I

Noah Eskridge
 Kelsey Han
 Emily Harl†
 Greyson Morehead
 Tatum Rodriguez
 Hannah Wang

VIOLIN II

Bryan Black*
 Catherine Dunn
 Emily Emrich
 Erik Mays
 Amelia Munoz
 Clara Ripka
 Delynda Roberts
 Presley Standridge
 Celine Tan

VIOLA

Maggie Kershen
 Michael Kouemo*

CELLO

Murphy Barnett
 Zoe Hsu
 Noah Koo*
 Samuel Mosley

BASS

Katie Hsieh

† Concertmaster

* Principal

*Students are listed
 alphabetically.*





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Sinfonia

Sinfonia is a group comprised of developing string players. Musicians focus on learning new literature, tone development, expanding bow techniques, and ensemble playing. On occasion, pieces will utilize multiple key changes and shifting throughout sections.



Courtney Monk
 Conductor,
 Sinfonia
 & Conductor,
 Studio Rockestra

"Students in Sinfonia learn proper rehearsal etiquette and how to make music as an ensemble. Students' skills are challenged with increasingly difficult repertoire and attention to phrasing, bowings, dynamics, and articulations."

VIOLIN

Sam Carter
 Stella Hong
 Sara Humphrey
 Isaac Jones†
 Audrey Lee
 Victor Lightsey
 Jayden Nguyen
 Sarina Phung
 Grayson Stone

VIOLIN II

Laura Clausen
 Violet Conway
 Liliana Goodwyn
 Tiffany Harris
 Timofey Rusakov
 Sabina Stanfield
 Zoe Stuckey
 Lilia VanNoy*
 Anna Wilson
 Allison Wise

VIOLA

Isaac Bishop
 Olivia Ross*

CELLO

Diana Amaya*
 Ethan Ince
 William Kempf
 Vincent Markes
 Cassie Solorzano

BASS

Kayden Manous*

† Concertmaster
 * Principal

Students are listed alphabetically.



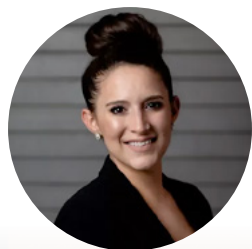


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NON-AUDITIONED ENSEMBLES

Festival Winds

Founded in 2021, Festival Winds is a wind ensemble for emerging woodwind, brass, and percussion students. Festival Winds is designed to challenge and develop younger students with new music and new skills.



[Janey Akagha](#)

Conductor,
Festival Winds

- † Concertmaster
- †† Assistant concertmaster
- * Principal
- ** Co-principal
- * OCU musician

Students are listed alphabetically.

TEACHING ASSISTANT
OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY
 Miguel Zacarias

A special thank you to Oklahoma Youth Winds and Percussion Ensemble students for performing with Festival Winds today:

FLUTE
 Alison Horowitz

CLARINETS
 Graham Barnett
 Maren McIntyre

PERCUSSION
 Kate Boothe
 Anjalina Thomas
 Frank Stanley

* OCU musician

Students are listed alphabetically.

FLUTE
 Adelyn Downing
 Lizzeth Hernandez

OBOE
 Asa Borjas

CLARINET
 Eli Setliff
 Marley Shelton

BASS CLARINET
 Callum Fairclough

BASSOON
 Jonah White

ALTO SAX
 Audrey Adkisson
 Terry Speight

TENOR SAX
 Delaney Smith

BARI SAX
 Joshua Wilson

HORN
 Lucas Brown
 Heloha Tate

TRUMPET
 Jameson Barton
 Charles Henderson
 Jose Herrera
 Cameron Kopp
 Sydney Willoughby
 Elliot Yii

TROMBONE
 Thomas Arvidson
 Aiden Blackburn
 Trey Cole*
 Sam Mabray

TUBA
 Sebastian Denman

PERCUSSION
 Valencia Gonzalez
 Alice Sun



Festival Strings

Festival Strings is a non-auditioned ensemble of late elementary and early middle school string players with one to two years of experience.

Festival Strings ensembles meet in three metro locations — Oklahoma City, Edmond, and Norman — and are designed to challenge students with new music and new skills.



Kristin Geist
Conductor,
Chamber Orchestra
& Conductor,
Festival Strings OKC



Mark Osborn
Conductor,
Festival Strings Norman



Sarah Grote
Conductor,
Festival Strings Edmond

“We have a unique blend of middle school students from across the area, all in one ensemble. Our focus is playing sheet music while preparing for multiple concerts each season. The music is always fun but challenges the younger students to a higher level of preparation in their musical studies.”

FESTIVAL STRINGS EDMOND

VIOLIN

Alice Epperson
Elise Franklin
Numidia Itibrou
Julianne Lovett
Ashley Lu
Chloe McGuire
Matthew Patton
Sarah Rasheed
Simon Ross
NingEn Tay
Ellie Taylor

VIOLA

Moira Jones
Aaron Starbuck
Kylie Williams

CELLO

Karis DeMann
Lillian Foster
Alice Lu
Joseph Maliszewski
Zuzanna Wojtas

FESTIVAL STRINGS OKLAHOMA CITY

VIOLIN

Carys Dunn
Addie Kenworthy
Emmy Kenworthy
Colin Zamorano

CELLO

Sedona McElroy

FESTIVAL STRINGS NORMAN

VIOLIN

Sofia Baca-Minks
Maggie Brown
Maia Camacho Hines
Piper Heyck
Kaelynn Kinnamon
Ethan Tseng
Hannah Tseng

VIOLA

M.J. Andes
Autumn Gouldman
Kaden Phillips
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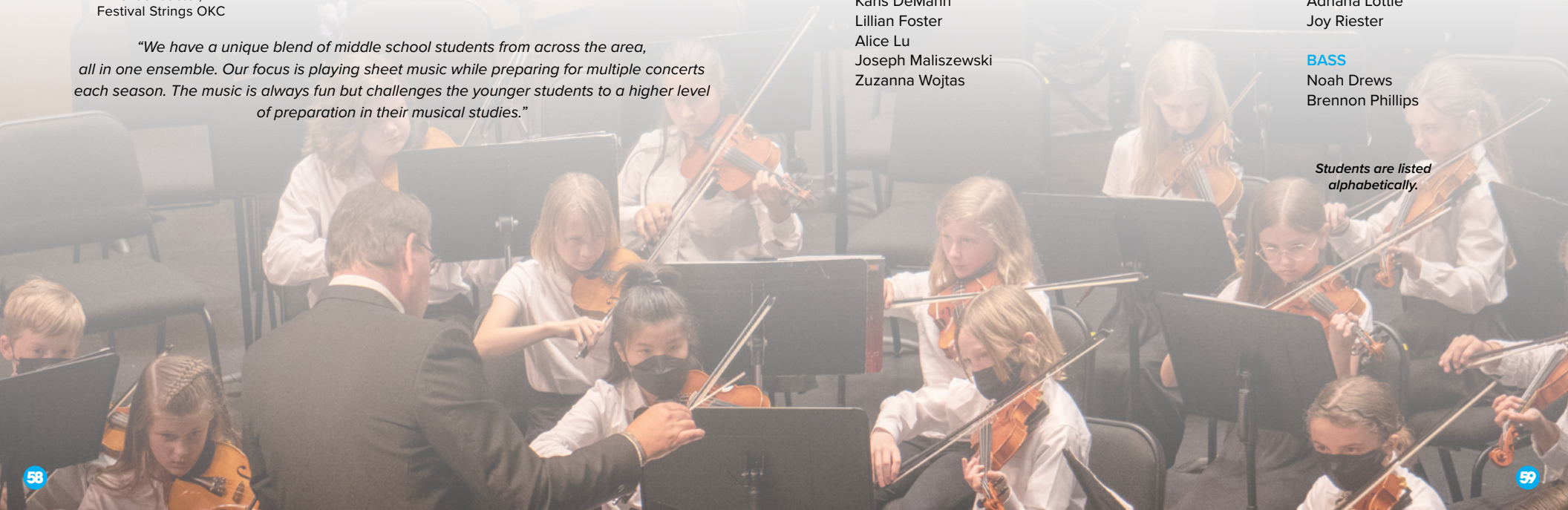
CELLO

Phoebe Bisel
Vivian King
Inara LeBlanc
Adriana Lottie
Joy Riester

BASS

Noah Drews
Brennon Phillips

Students are listed alphabetically.





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NON-AUDITIONED ENSEMBLES

Studio Rockestra

Studio Rockestra is a pop and rock orchestra that explores everything from Katy Perry to Led Zeppelin and famous movie music. The ensemble includes strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion, and guitar students. Studio Rockestra students will explore proper technique, improvisation, amplification and effects, while preparing for fun and unique performances.



Courtney Monk
 Conductor,
 Sinfonia
 & Conductor,
 Studio Rockestra

"Students in Studio Rockestra learn and perform music from film, television, video games, and pop culture. We explore alternative techniques and incorporate electric instruments while striving to expand our musical knowledge and skills."

VIOLIN

Lucy Bradley
 Violet Conway
 Heidi DeKoch
 Evelyn Gardocki
 Rose Jennings
 Helana Nechtow
 Lucy Rosenhamer
 Stella Rosenhamer
 Reese Sanders
 Elena Scaperlanda

CELLO

Boston Carter
 Charlotte Hanna
 Liam Murphy

TROMBONE

Mac Hust

BASS

Michael Berg

TROMBONE

Mac Hust

GUITAR

Max Walter

PIANO

Lauren Wise

Students are listed alphabetically.





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Under the direction of Camp Artistic Director, Peter Markes, the week concludes on Friday with a Camp Closing Ceremonies concert for campers' families.

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Peter Markes
Artistic Director, Summer Symphony Strings Camp

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