

Symphony Notes

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Message from the President

Hello Guild Members,

Along with November including Thanksgiving Day and our opportunity to share our gratitude with others, it will be special month for music!

The annual Children's Concert held at the Bank of the Ozarks Arena in Hot Springs, under the leadership of Guild board member Martha Smither, will be on November 9. Martha and Bev Thompson work together, recruiting volunteers to assist with seating over 3,000 area students. The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra's performance will be enthusiastically embraced by the students, accompanying teachers, volunteers and audience members.

November 19th is opening night for the ASO's return to the Robinson Center Music Hall. Whether you attend the Saturday evening performance or the following day's Sunday afternoon concert, be prepared to marvel at the renovations. Part of the program will include Respighi's Pines of Rome.

December 4th at 3pm, your Guild welcomes the ASO to our Woodlands Auditorium for their Christmas concert. Tickets have already sold quickly, but as of this writing, some are still available.

"Music is the divine way to tell beautiful, poetic things to the heart." ~Pablo Casals.

Best wishes.

Sugarn R. Bathie

The Arkansas Symphony Presents "Christmas in the Village" Sunday, December 4, 2016 Tickets are almost gone!



Get yourself in the Christmas holiday spirit by joining us for the annual appearance in the Village of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra conducted by Maestro Phillip Mann. This year The Village Chorale will again join the orchestra on stage. In addition the Orchestra always brings along a guest soloist or two to help put us in the festive mood. As always you can count on this program to include seasonal favorites and plenty of exquisite music to welcome the season.

Reserved seat tickets for this event are \$25. We are very grateful for a donor who has covered the cost increases this year so that we can stay at the same ticket price as last year. Tickets are on sale through the HSV POA. To purchase tickets online, click here. You may also purchase tickets in person at the POA ticket office in the Ouachita Building at the Ponce de Leon Center. The office is open weekdays from 9 AM—2 PM.

ASO Photo by Kelly Hicks.

Volunteers Needed for the Annual Children's Concert on November 9



We are fast approaching another musical experience at the Bank of the Ozarks Arena in Hot Springs, when the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra (ASO) performs the Children's Concert for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th graders from various area schools. The performance is scheduled for Wednesday Novem-

ber 9 at 10:00 AM. The theme for the concert is *American Odyssey*, which highlights uniquely American musical styles including patriotic marches, ragtime, and Hispanic flavors.

Many, many of you have volunteered in the past and hopefully many of you who have not participated will be able to do so this year and enjoy the experience. Our role is to direct the students and teachers in safely entering and exiting the Arena on the morning of the event.

We need 40-50 volunteers to help direct the children and teachers to their correct spot in the Arena. The Concert starts promptly at 10:00 AM, therefore volunteers should be at the Arena by 8:45 AM to allow time to get your instructions. This will also allow you to familiarize yourself with the layout of the Arena.

If you would like to volunteer to help at this event and have not already been contacted, please contact Bev Thompson at 922-0036 or bgolfd@sbcglobal.net.

Would You Like to Ride a Bus to the Sunday ASO Pops Concerts?

The time is near for the start of another ASO Pops Series and we will be back in the Robinson Center!!! We've had some inquiries about

the possibility of Sunday afternoon bus service to the Pops concerts, similar to what we do for the Masterworks. The cost is \$165 for the season or \$30 per concert. We would need at least 20 riders for the service to be viable.

If you would be interested in this, please send an e-mail to or phone Priscilla O'Malley at prisomalley@yahoo.com, 501-915-0195 or Molly Crawshaw at mscrawshaw@yahoo.com, 501-922-0622. Please respond no later than November 10.

A Night in Monte Carlo January 13, 2017

HS/HSV Symphony Guild presents



The Guild has brought to you elegant events such as the Symphony Soiree, but this year, elegance is being presented with a dinner, casino, and auction as you would only experience in Monte Carlo! This will be a joyful, memorable and elegant event!

The evening begins when the bar opens at 5:30 PM. Dinner is being catered by Chef Johnna – tenderloin with all the trimmings. Festivities will include a live auction and fun casino games

played on professional tables with a prize for the big winner.

Glamour will come to play and the winners will be the local schools and students as the Guild supports their music education.

Jackets (black tie optional) are recommended for gentlemen.

Tickets are on sale to members and their guests only through October 31. Beginning November 1, they will be available to the general public. The tickets are \$50 each and are available online by clicking here or by visiting the POA ticket office in the Ouachita Building at the Ponce de Leon Center.

Dinner seating is at tables of 8. If you purchase fewer than 8 tickets and would like to sit with another party in particular, please contact either Nancy Jorgensen (984-2266) or Suzanne Kuch (915-8016) or send us an email at info@symphonyguild.org.

Musical Magic on the Blue Danube "Recapitulation & Coda"

"The trip of a lifetime", over eighteen months in the planning, lived up to its billing and surpassed the high expectations that enticed fourteen of our local and area music lovers to embark. Between August 24 and September 5, music, scenery, music, history, music, art, music, food, music, splendor, music, and friendships filled the lives of HS/HSV Symphony Guild Members. This trip, promoted by your guild and benefitting the many Music Education projects supported by our guild was a fantastic experience for me, and I know, it was also for each of our traveling companions. The trip arranged so professionally and thoroughly by Sue Smith Vacations was flawless. We were blessed with perfect weather, safe traveling conditions, and the luxury and meticulous accommodations long associated with Tauck Tours.

From Budapest to Prague, aboard a brand new River cruise ship, the MS Joy; we experienced the fabulous sights, sounds, aromas, and atmosphere unique to those who venture on a European river cruise. The history of the cities, the churches, the political changes, the art, and all the aspects of great cultures were brought to life. Extremely talented guides at every stop and aboard the ship brought greater meaning and deeper understanding than could have been imagined. The extreme quality of service provided by this Tauck cruise would certainly be enough to make this trip a huge success. However, the uniqueness and most memorable for many of us, were the great experiences that we enjoyed each day with music. Music is what made this trip so meaningful to those participating.



Experiencing opera at the historic and splendorfilled Budapest Opera House, a piano recital at the Franz Liszt Academy, the Kodály String Quartet performing in the home of its namesake, a piano recital of the music of Bartok, in his home, the Mozart Requiem performed for us privately in Vienna on period instruments accompanying the chorus, an orchestral rehearsal of Mozart's Haffner Symphony in a palace in Vienna as well as chamber music at every venue including aboard our ship was unforgettable. Certainly for each of us from our guild and what was called the "Arkansas Group", there was no bigger highlight than traveling with Philip and Tatiana Mann. We were so proud of them in many ways and they quickly endeared themselves to every guest on the cruise. We were treated to several wonderful piano performances by Tatia-



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na both as soloist and in four-hand selections and equally proud of Maestro Philip for his many musical observations and insights, and most notably for an outstanding lecture presentation on Gustav Mahler. All present were impressed with our talented ASO conductor and Tatiana, and

many asked for schedules to allow them to visit Little Rock to experience the excitement of an orchestral performance under the direction of Philip Mann.

Past President of HS/HSV Symphony Guild

Dallas Getaway—March 27—29, 2017

Sue Smith has put together another great trip benefitting the Guild. This time we are going to Dallas. If you are interested, please contact Sue at 922-4801 to sign up.

DALLAS Getaway

Monday, March 27 - Wednesday, March 29, 2017 BUSH PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY & MUSEUM KINKY BOOTS at the MUSIC HALL...& more!

Join this 3 day fundraising trip for the ${f HSV/HS}$ SYMPHONY GUILD

Includes:

- Motorcoach from Hot Springs Village or Hot Springs
- 2 nights at THE WESTIN GALLERIA DALLAS (with time for shopping)
- Visit GEORGE W. BUSH PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY & MUSEUM
- Orchestra seats for KINKY BOOTS (Tony Award 2013 Best Musical)
- Enjoy Dallas West Village Food Tour
- Breakfast at the Westin on Tuesday
- Dinner at the Music Hall prior to Broadway show
- Travel Protection (optional cancellation insurance \$50)
- Hosted by Sue Smith
- \$50 each donation for scholarships from HSV/HS Symphony Guild

\$725. each (shared room) Single room: Add \$235

Payable by check or credit card option (nonrefundable - name changes ok)



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Questions???

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Bus Service to Sunday ASO Masterworks Concerts

If you have tickets to the Sunday performances of the ASO Masterworks concert series and do not want to drive to Little Rock, we offer bus service from the Village.

To sign up to ride the bus, please contact either Molly Crawshaw at 922-0622 (email mscrawshaw@yahoo.com) or Priscilla O'Malley at 915-0051 (email prisomalley@yahoo.com). You may pay for each trip when you board the bus or you may purchase the entire series of trips in advance.

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If we do <u>not</u> have your email address and you would like a printed copy of the directory, please contact Suzanne Kuch at 501-915-8016. If for privacy reasons, you do not want to be included in the directory or do not want a particular piece of information included in the directory (address or phone number for example), please contact Suzanne Kuch. If you elected not to be included in past directories, we have not included you in the current directory.

Season Event Calendar

The program committee has finalized our season offerings. A list of our season entertainment events is below. For full details, please visit the Event page of our website.

December 4, 2016—ASO Christmas in the Village, Woodlands Auditorium

January 13, 2017—Night in Monte Carlo, Coronado Center, Hot Springs Village

January 29, 2017—Student Showcase, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Hot Springs Village

February 21, 2017—Salute to Gershwin, Dinner and Concert, Christ of the Hills Methodist Church, Hot Springs Village

March 26, 2017—ASO Chamber Orchestra, Garvan Gardens, Hot Springs

April 29, 2017—Senior Prom 2017—Dinner and Dance featuring the Village Big Band, Coronado Center, Hot Springs Village

April 30, 2017—ASO Youth Orchestra in Concert, Woodlands Auditorium.

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