March 15, 2017

Dear CYS members and CYS Parents!

Congratulations to all on a wonderful concert at St. George's Episcopal Church! Bravo!

Thank you to all of the CYS members, parents and grandparents who helped to move the percussion equipment and the music stands to St. George's and back!

We continue this amazing CYS 2016-2017 season with our Monday, May 8 Concert featuring Symphonie fantastique by Berlioz and Kaili Wang performing the Sibelius Violin Concerto (first movement). Make sure to check all of the rehearsal and concert schedule information with your parents and your school music directors now, so that any needed schedule adjustments can be made now. Make sure to make arrangements now for any lessons or classes that will need to be re-scheduled on Monday, May 8 to allow for the 5:30 PM Call-Time in Ingram Hall.

Our CYS 2016-2017 season will conclude with Maestro Giancarlo Guerrero conducting the CYS/NSO Side-By-Side Concert on Wednesday, May 17!!! This is a tremendous opportunity for CYS members to work with Maestro Guerrero on the most challenging repertoire that we have ever performed! I know that you will all practice very, very, very hard and devote the extra preparation time needed for spectacular performances of these musical masterpieces!!!

Listen to these recordings carefully as part of your preparation for our next rehearsal:
(Have your music in front of you while you listen and a pencil in your hand. Mark in tempo variations and stylistic details! Listen carefully for phrasing and note-endings! Practice counting your bars of rests and being able to make your entrances with accuracy! Mark in cues of other instrumental entrances that will help you to make your entrances. Learn the piece as a whole- not just your part! Use your metronome to write in tempo markings.)

Berlioz- Symphonie fantastique
Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCuKq6Dgc6I
To purchase: Amazon.com https://www.amazon.com/Berlioz-Symphonie-Fantastique-Liszt-Pr%3A%2C9ludes/dp/B003TYIMWM/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1489634841&sr=1-1-mp3-albums-bar-strip-0&keywords=berlioz+solti
Sibelius Violin Concerto, Mvt. 1  
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YsbrRAgy1b4  
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITTbY1n3Iz8  
Perlman (no video- but great recording!)  
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sw2fLeQYmQQ  

To purchase: Amazon.com  

Important CYS dates!  
(The full CYS schedule can be found on-line at: https://blair.vanderbilt.edu/precollege-adult/NYOP.php. This was the same schedule that was handed out in your music folder at the first rehearsal in January.)

Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23- NSO Section Rehearsals (The schedule has been emailed out.)

Sunday, May 7- Dress Rehearsal- (On-Stage Call-Time 5:30 PM) 5:45-8:45 PM  
Monday, May 8- Pre-Concert Rehearsal  (On-Stage Call-Time 5:30 PM) 5:45- 7:00 PM  
Monday, May 8- CYS Concert and Senior Awards Presentation

CYS/NSO Side-By-Side Rehearsals and Concert- Maestro Giancarlo Guerrero, conductor  
ALL SIDE-BY-SIDE REHEARSALS ARE REQUIRED FOR PARTICPATION IN THE SIDE-BY-SIDE CONCERT  
(Students participating in the Side-by-Side concert will be notified by April 21.)

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**Attendance Policy Reminder**
A performance of the highest quality is only possible when all members are present to rehearse. The absence of any member reduces the quality of the next performance. **CYS members are expected to be at all rehearsals to prepare our concert to the highest level. CYS members with more than 3 absences are placed on leave-of absence until the next semester.** Email in all absences by 5 pm to Dr. Nies (Carol.Nies@Vanderbilt.edu).

**2017 Nashville Summer Orchestral Institute- May 29- June 2**
Apply now ([https://blair.vanderbilt.edu/precollege-adult/NYOP.php](https://blair.vanderbilt.edu/precollege-adult/NYOP.php)) to reserve a 2017 NSOI position. Priority deadline is April 17. You may apply after the priority deadline, but all positions are usually filled. CYS members may apply without an on-line audition for admission, as you have already auditioned for the CYS.

**2017 Nashville Summer Orchestral Institute- Concerto Competition**
Sunday, May 15 ([https://blair.vanderbilt.edu/precollege-adult/NYOP.php](https://blair.vanderbilt.edu/precollege-adult/NYOP.php))

**CYS T-shirt order forms- Deadline this Monday, 3/20**
If you will be out-of town you may email in an order to Ms. Winkowski (Robin.Winkowski@mnps.org). If you are traveling, do not worry about scanning the form- simply send the needed information in an email. (An extra order form is attached in case you have lost yours.)

**CYS Tuition**
Make sure to turn in CYS tuition fees to Mr. Langmesser by this Monday. (Mail to Tom Langmesser, 2400 Blakemore Ave, Nashville, TN 37209 or drop your tuition off at the Blair Main Office.)

Please email or call if you have any questions!
Practice hard! Practice smart! Enjoy!

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