

Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York

Sunday, November 5, 2023

The design above is Nassau Principal Orchestra member Abigail Ho's winning design from the 2023-2024 MYO Design Contest.

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York

Adelphi University Performing Arts Center Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 3 PM



NASSAU STRING ORCHESTRA

Michelina Sobolewski, Music Director

Overture to A MidsummerFelix Mendelssohn Night's Dream arr. Carrie Lane Gruselle

Waltz.....Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky from The Sleeping Beauty arr. Leland Forsblad

Forest Incantations......Alan Lee Silva

Nadia Sayed, Violin

NASSAU CONCERT ORCHESTRA

Peggy Ho, Music Director

Hopak, from Sorochinsky Fair.....Modest Mussorgsky orch. Anatol Lyadov ed. Clark McAlister

English Folk Songs Suite.....Ralph Vaughan Williams I. March "Seventeen arr. Gordon Jacob come Sunday"

New England Holiday.....Robert Washburn

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York

Adelphi University Performing Arts Center Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 7 PM



NASSAU SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Catherine Birke, Music Director

Athalie, Op. 74.....Felix Mendelssohn 4a. Kriegsmarsch der Priester

Melody......Myroslav Skoryk

Toast of the TownQuinn Mason

NASSAU PRINCIPAL ORCHESTRA

Scott Stickley, Music Director

Rosamunde Overture, D. 644Franz Schubert from Die Zauberharfe

Flute Concerto, Op. 283.....Carl Reinecke I. Allegro molto moderato Meredith Daly, Flute Winner of the 2022-2023 MYO Concerto and Vocal Competition

A Hero's Song, Op. 111.....Antonín Dvořák

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About the Soloist



Meredith Daly



Meredith Daly

Winner of the 2022-2023 MYO Concerto and Vocal Competition

Meredith Daly (Nassau Principal Orchestra) is a senior at Herricks High School and currently studies flute with Judith Mendenhall. Meredith began studying flute in 3rd grade with the elementary school band. She immediately fell in love with playing the flute, and her passion for music has continued to grow through participation with school and extracurricular music programs. Meredith has been a member of MYO since 2019 and is currently Principal Flute with the Nassau Principal Orchestra. Meredith was a winner of the MYO 2022-2023 Concerto and Vocal Competition and the New York Flute Club 2022 Young Musicians Contest. She is a Long Island Scholar-Artist Merit Award recipient and has received many awards for musicianship and dedication to music. Meredith performed with the NYSSMA 2022 All-State Symphonic Band and was recently selected to perform with the NYSSMA 2023 All-State Symphony Orchestra. Meredith is a member of the Herricks High School Honors Wind Ensemble and has performed as Principal Flute with MYO, Long Island Youth Orchestra, Nassau-Suffolk Performing Arts, and Children's Orchestra Society. She has performed in masterclasses with world-renowned flutists and has participated at summer music programs most recently including the Young Artists Orchestra at Boston University Tanglewood Institute, Orford Music Academy, and Oyster Bay Music Festival. Meredith is a member of Herricks High School Tri-M Music Honor Society, Peer Partners, and Justice League. Meredith is grateful for this opportunity to share her love of music and hopes to bring joy to others through music.

About the Music Directors



Catherine Birke



Catherine Birke

Catherine Birke (Nassau Symphony Orchestra) is an energetic and passionate conductor, violinist, and educator. She is the Music Director of the Music Advancement Program (MAP) at The Juilliard School and the Director of Orchestras at Herricks High School. At Herricks, she conducts over 200 students in four thriving orchestras and her ensembles consistently earn the highest rating of "Gold with Distinction" at the NYSSMA Major Evaluation Festival. Under her direction, the Herricks HS Chamber Orchestra won 1st Place in the American String Teachers' Association (ASTA) 2018 National Orchestra Festival. Her small chamber ensembles consistently earn high honors as well, including annual participation in the Lincoln Center Chamber Music Society's (CMS) Young Musicians Program (YMP) competition, where three ensembles coached by Ms. Birke were selected for the regional semi-final and two ensembles were selected as finalists in 2022. For six years, Ms. Birke served as the Director of Strings at the New York State Summer School of the Arts (NYSSSA) School of Orchestral Studies, an intensive residential summer program for advanced high school musicians co-sponsored by the Philadelphia Orchestra. She is an adjunct Music Education faculty member at Hofstra University. A sought-after guest conductor and an accomplished violinist, Birke performs regularly as the Concertmaster of the South Shore Symphony and Long Island Lyric Opera, and has served as both an orchestra chairperson and a Vice-President on the Executive Board of NMEA. Ms. Birke holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Temple University (where she studied with Co-concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra, William DePasquale), a Master of Music degree from the University of the Arts, and an Advanced Certificate in Music Theory from Berklee College of Music.

About the Music Directors



Peggy Ho



Peggy Ho

Peggy Ho (Nassau Concert Orchestra) began her musical training on clarinet, piano, and violin in grade school. She holds a Bachelor of Music in education and clarinet performance from Ithaca College, a Master of Arts in music history from LI University, a Master of Arts in conducting from Hofstra University, and Doctorate in music education from Teachers College, Columbia University. Her clarinet teachers include Naomi Drucker, Richard Faria, and Ayako Oshima Neidich. Having traveled extensively throughout the world, Dr. Ho has performed as principal clarinetist with the North American Elite Youth Orchestra, the Long Island Youth Orchestra, and performed with the Rome Music Festival. She has guest conducted regional and district orchestras throughout New York. Her interest in the expansion of the performance education programs to include portfolio and project based assessment have led her to share her thoughts as presenter at various music conferences, including the Winter NYSSMA Conference, Balanced Curriculum Mind Conference, and NYSBDA Symposium. Dr. Ho is a featured educator in NYSSMA's DVD Music Views and has been published in School Music News. She is currently the Director of Bands at the Wheatley School in East Williston, NY.

About the Music Directors



Michelina Sobolewski



Michelina Sobolewski

Michelina Sobolewski (Nassau String Orchestra) received her Bachelor of Music Education from the Crane School of Music, where she studied Viola with Dr. Peter Bucknell and Dr. Shelly Tramposh. She received her Master's degree from Stony Brook University, and Suzuki certification from the Hartt School of Music under the guidance of Carrie Reuning-Hummel, one of the first Suzuki students in the United States. Mrs. Sobolewski is an active member of the music community, having served as a chairperson for Nassau County Music Educators Association (NMEA), the executive board of the Long Island String Festival (LISFA) and guest conductor for the Suffolk County Music Educators Association (SCMEA). She has performed with the Sound Symphony Orchestra, Crane Alumni Orchestra, and is a pit musician for the Manhasset School District. Mrs. Sobolewski has been a clinician for NYSCAME and Balanced Mind Conferences, presenting workshops on curriculum, mindfulness, and programming. In addition to her passion for music, she is a certified yoga instructor for both children and adults, focusing on how breathing and mindfulness can help to improve performance. Mrs. Sobolewski is currently an elementary orchestra teacher in the Herricks School District. Her orchestras perform regularly at the NYSSMA Major Organization Evaluation Festival, consistently receiving "Gold" and "Gold with Distinction" ratings.

About the Music Directors



Scott Stickley



Scott Stickley

Scott Stickley (Nassau Principal Orchestra) is one of The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York's longest-tenured conductors. Since MYO's inception, Mr. Stickley has seen the organization become one of the largest youth orchestra and choir programs in the country. Highlights of Maestro Stickley's tenure include the Carnegie Hall premiere of Jennifer Higdon's Cold Mountain Suite in May 2023, an audienceacclaimed tour of Italy in July 2022 featuring a performance at the Florence Youth Orchestra Festival; a performance at Jazz at Lincoln Center of the 2019 MYO award winning composition On-Again, Off Again by Juilliard graduate Jack Frerer, 2016 MYO Orchestra performance at the Granada International Festival of Music and Dance; a 2014 Carnegie Hall world premiere of Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo's choral masterwork To the East and To the West; a dynamic 2007 performance at the New York State School Music Association Conference; a first-time MYO performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at David Geffen Hall in 2006; and a 2004 performance of Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Paul Moravec's MYO commission and world premiere, New York Dances. Soloists featured with MYO under his direction include the New York Philharmonic's clarinetist Stanley Drucker, Metropolitan Opera soprano Danielle de Niese, and international piano soloist Gilles Vonsattel. Scott Stickley teaches instrumental music for the Herricks Schools, has served as interim director for the Adelphi University orchestra, and guest conducted the orchestra at the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. Hailing from Oregon, he holds degrees from the University of Oregon and the University of Michigan. He studied conducting at the Tanglewood Music Center and attended conducting seminars with Gustav Meier, Michael Tilson Thomas, and Roger Norrington.

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Viola

Sehaj Ahuja, Searingtown School Ava Kim, North Shore MS Dain Kim, Bethpage JFK MS Glory Lim, H.B. Thompson MS Jason Shnayder, Hicksville HS Isabel Siegel, Long Beach HS *Isabelle Wong, Manhasset MS

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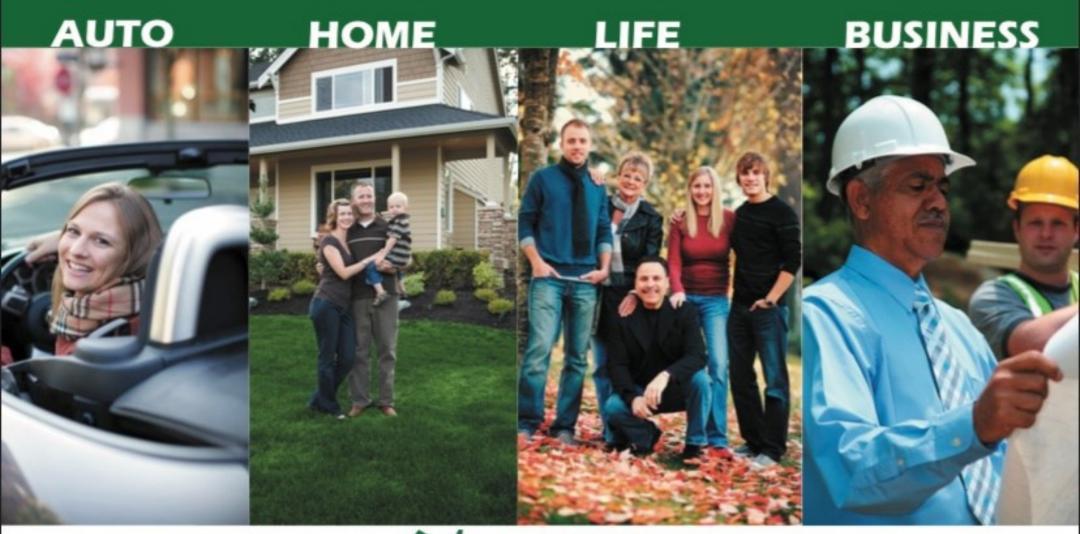


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