Portland Chamber Music Newsletter - Spring 2020





As we rehearsed this past weekend, we couldn't help but notice that the days are getting longer and that there has been sun in the Portland sky ... spring is in the air!

This season started off with a particularly passionate concert at the Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education. We performed in January to a packed audience who deeply appreciated our program of music featuring composers from the holocaust - some who perished in ghettos and concentration camps and some who miraculously survived. This event was generously sponsored by Bincha's Fund of OJMCHE with support from the Institute for Judaic Studies. We were so grateful and honored to have had a chance to bring this music to life and to be a part of the remembrance of the holocaust. If you were unable to attend, we will be repeating the program in its entirety in Astoria this coming May. (details below)

This Spring, our program for our **free neighborhood concerts** will include works by Margaret Dring, Puccini (a fan favorite!), Dvorak, and others. We will be performing this Saturday in the Vernon neighborhood at the Leaven Community Center. In April we will be performing in Forest Grove and in a new location in the Woodstock neighborhood, All Saints Episcopal Church. We hope you will be able to join us at one of our spring concerts.

In March we will be returning to the **Larch Corrections Center**. Our performance there last year was awe-inspiring and brought a deeper perspective to our mission to bring music to underserved communities. We have been preparing a special concert with the men in mind - another unique opportunity to witness the power of music and the human spirit! Later in the season in May we will be performing for the women at the **Coffee Creek Correctional Facility**, where we hope to have another great musical experience for all.

We are so appreciative of our audiences and love performing for you. We could not bring music to so many, especially those in prison, without your support. Thank you to all that have already donated to our prison fundraiser. If you have not had a chance yet, it's not too late! You can donate here.

We look forward to seeing you soon. Thank you once again for your support.

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Saturday, March 7 at 7 pm

Vernon Neighborhood Concert

Leaven Community Center

5431 NE 20th Avenue

Saturday, April 4 at 7 pm Forest Grove Neighborhood Concert

Forest Grove United Methodist Church 1726 Cedar Street, Forest Grove

Saturday, April 25 at 7 pm

Woodstock Neighborhood Concert

All Saints Episcopal Church 4033 SE Woodstock Blvd, Portland

Saturday, May 9 at 7 pm
Bright Voices of the Darkest Hour:
Music and the Holocaust
Grace Episcopal Church
1545 Franklin Avenue, Astoria

March 29 Larch Corrections Center Inmate Performance

May 24
Coffee Creek Correctional Facility
Inmate Performance

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Michael Liu, piano Lynda Hess, flute Jennifer Crockett, clarinet Regina Sadowski, violin Jonathan Cheskin, cello Jonah Thomas, cello Anya Kalina, soprano Deborah Gitlitz, narrator

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