

MIDDLETON community ORCHESTRA

November 2023

Dear Friends,

Happy Holidays! The Middleton Community Orchestra would like to take this moment to thank you for your support and celebrate the success of the past year. At the same time, we are busy planning a very bright future, one that is being shaped by a strong artistic team and the inspiring leadership of our principal conductor, Christopher Ramaekers.

A look back on the past year: A few photos from our 2022-23 season.



Winter 2023 Concert: Young Artists Competition Winners



Spring 2023 Concert: Matthew Onstad, trumpet



Fall 2023 Concert: Thomas Kasdorf, piano



Holiday 2022 Concert: Justin Kroll, tenor and Sachie Ueshima, soprano



Holiday 2022 Concert: Julian Rhee, violin

A look ahead to the rest of the 2023–24 season:



Holiday Concert:
December 20, 2023
Lindsay Flowers, oboe;
David Perry, violin
Hamel Music Center



**Young Artists
Competition
Winners:**
February 21, 2024
Middleton PAC



Early Spring Concert:
April 3, 2024
Eleanor Bartsch, violin; James Waldo,
cello; Oriol Sans, guest conductor
Middleton PAC



Spring Concert:
May 22, 2024
Thomas Kasdorf, piano
Hamel Music Center

Why Your Support Is Important

The MCO is thriving at a very high artistic level as community musicians and professionals seek opportunities to play in the orchestra and collaborate as soloists. We rely on donations to cover the substantial gap between box office revenues and grants, and the cost of producing our five concerts each season. Students have always been admitted free of charge and tickets are a modest \$20.

The largest source of funding for MCO concerts is YOU. We hope that we can rely on your financial support and that you will join us in the concert hall. There's so much talent in our community. We'd love to share our amazing musicians, our Young Artist Competition winners and our phenomenal soloists and conductors with you.

You can see our concert schedule here:

<https://middletoncommunityorchestra.org/season-14-20232024>

Please help us meet rising costs and continue to fulfill our mission of providing great opportunities for local musicians and accessible quality classical music. Thank you in advance for your support.

With appreciation,

Mindy Taranto and Larry Bevic

Co-founders and Clarinetists in MCO



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