

The EBYO Cadenza

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear EBYO families and friends,

We have come to the end of another rewarding season, with a group that has recovered in size from the pandemic years. I have loved watching student after student checking in at rehearsal and going into the rehearsal room to make beautiful music with each other.

I'd like to thank our staff - Dr. Bill and Miss Judy - for the smooth running of EBYO, and our board - Iysha, James, Vera, Joe, Roberta, Deepa (Meghna's mother), Anita (Timothy's mother) and Sandy (William and Matthew's mother) - for their support of our mission to provide a high quality musical experience for our students. Also notable are Hitomi (Ami's mother) for her fabulous flyers, Kris Crowell (Haley and Libby's mother) for setting up an attendance-taking rotation, and the many parents who took turns checking in students week after week.

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We have submitted three grants this year, one of which has been awarded and two we are awaiting word on. Our See's fundraising brought in almost \$1400.00, and our tuition and ticket sales also contributed to a strong bottom line.

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But the main topic of this letter is a recognition of Miss Judy, a tireless worker who has put her heart and soul into EBYO over the past 18 years. She keeps a detailed spreadsheet that includes information on every student, such as school, instrument, parent email addresses, status of forms that need to be handed in, and much more. This has become ever more time-consuming as our numbers have increased, but it facilitates everything from contacting families to identifying numbers for grants. Two of her great gifts to EBYO have been the organizing of our See's fundraisers and our donations to the Alameda County Community Food Bank, both of which she is responsible for initiating and carrying out almost single handedly. She also puts together our newsletters and concert programs. Miss Judy will be retiring in June, but true to her dedication to EBYO, she will be helping whoever takes over as long as is needed. We salute you, Miss Judy!

Carol Morgan, Chair
EBYO Board of Directors

PEARLS FROM THE PODIUM FROM DR. BILL HARRINGTON

For our final Spring EBYO Concert on May 21, EBYO orchestras are focusing entirely on music of Russian composers. First, let me say emphatically that I am not in any way standing with Putin in his invasion and “special military” occupation against Ukraine. Yet, as Classical musicians, we owe a great deal of debt to the culture of Russia for giving us such a rich heritage of great composers for the Western symphony orchestra. Russian composers such as Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich, Rimsky-Korsakov, Borodin, Mussorgsky, and Glière have all been performed by previous EBYO orchestras including the first three at this Spring Concert. I am calling this concert “From Russia with Love” (the name of an Ian Fleming James Bond novel and movie) but with the understanding that the cultures of Ukraine and Russian are historically both intertwined and conflicting. Tchaikovsky’s grandfather was born in Ukraine, but Tchaikovsky himself has been adopted as the greatest Russian composer by Russian nationalists and is considered ‘Russian’ today in the United States.

I think both orchestras already sound fantastic in the music they are working on. The Concert Orchestra will be playing young orchestra arrangements of themes from Tchaikovsky’s Symphony #5, his powerful *1812 Overture*, and his romantic ballet, *Romeo and Juliet*. The EBYO Symphony Orchestra will open their portion of the program with Shostakovich’s exciting *Festive Overture*, conducted by our CSUEB Associate Conductor Irene Cheng. Then the Symphony will perform the *Andante marziale* from Tchaikovsky’s Symphony #2, “*The Little Russian*”, a popular nickname given to Ukrainian people by Russians and possibly Tchaikovsky’s tribute to his own grandfather. The Symphony Orchestra will conclude the concert with Rimsky-Korsakov’s brilliant and virtuosic *Capriccio Espagnole*, a Russian’s homage to sunny Spain! This music features cadenzas by some of our own brilliant musicians!

Finally, I want to encourage each orchestra member to consider attending one of the many wonderful summer music camps in Northern California. EBYO invited representatives of Cazadero, the Jenny Lin Foundation, La Honda, Hayward Odd Fellows Lodge, and my own Sequoia Chamber Music Workshop to make presentations to our orchestras about summer opportunities to make and share music together. I hope that each EBYO family will consider enrolling their young musician in one of these fine summer music programs!

Slava Ukraini!
Dr. Bill

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GRADUATING SENIORS!


EBYO congratulates the graduating students of the Class of 2022. We wish you a successful future, with all your dreams coming true.


 **JESSE BARRIENTOS** - Has played flute with EBYO for one year. He is attending UC Merced and will major in English and minor in Chicano Studies. He plans to continue with music during college.


 **ZACHARY BASHKIN** - Has played trumpet with EBYO for one year. He is attending UC Berkeley and will major in Physics and minor or double major in Chemistry or Math. He plans to continue music in an orchestra or jazz ensemble during college.

 **BRIANNA BROOKS** - Has played flute with EBYO for 2 years. She is attending University of Nebraska-Lincoln and will major in Forensic Science (Crime Scene Investigation). She will likely continue music while in college.

 **WILLIAM HALSTED** - Has played violin with EBYO for four years. He is attending Arizona State University and will major in English/Music. He will then attend Concord Law School for a law degree.

 **JULIAN URIBE** - Has played violin with EBYO for two years. He is attending CSUEB and will major in Political Science/Music.

 **EDWARD YUAN** - Has played trumpet with EBYO for one year. He is attending UC Davis and will major in Physics. He plans on continuing in music education or as a jazz performer.

 **MARILYN YUAN** - Has played contrabass with EBYO for two years. She is attending Pepperdine University and has not yet declared a major but plans to minor in Music.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUDITION INFORMATION: Auditions for 2023-2024 EBYO Orchestras will be held by video audition only. All EBYO students who are planning on returning next Fall need to submit an online audition application and either: 1. Submit a video audition by email or 2. Schedule a Zoom online interview with Dr. Harrington. If you would like to move up in your section (for example, Violin II to Violin I) or be promoted to the Symphony Orchestra from Concert Orchestra, you will need to submit a video audition no later than May 31, 2023. If you are happy with your seating in your present orchestra assignment and plan on returning next Fall, Dr. Harrington would still like to schedule a Zoom Interview. Please indicate on the online audition application whether you would like to submit a video audition by May 31 or schedule a Zoom Interview. You can find audition materials and instructions at ebyo.org/application-info. **All video auditions and Zoom Interviews will be concluded by May 31, 2023.** Final audition results will be sent by email no later than 7/4/22.

SPECIAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS: EBYO is very pleased to congratulate the following students in the Symphony Orchestra who were selected by audition to be members of one of the CASMEC All-State Honor Ensembles.

- Haley Crowell, viola- High School All-State Choir**
- Aaron Hsi, violin- High School All-State Orchestra**
- Janice Ko, flute- High School All-State Concert Band**
- Sihan Oscar Zhang, oboe- Jr. High All-State Concert Band**

Congratulations to the following EBYO members who performed at Carnegie Hall with honors or school groups!

- Brianna Brooks, flute**
- Irene Cheng, vocal**
- Haley Crowell, vocal**
- Aaron Hsi, violin**
- Raymond Johns, euphonium**

SEE'S CANDIES FUNDRAISER: Thank you to all the EBYO students and supporters who participated and helped us to have success in our See's Candies fundraisers for the 2022-2023 season through pre-sale flyers and See's Yum-Raising. Our profit for 2022-2023 was almost \$1400.00.

SUMMER MUSIC CAMPS: Please see the Links section on our website for further info and weblinks to the following summer music camp programs.

Hayward Odd Fellows Summer Youth Chamber Music Project: Free. 2 weeks of rehearsals July 24, 26, 28, 31, August 2, 4 for rehearsals, 7-9 PM. Concert is August 5, 2 PM. Location: Odd Fellows Hall, 950 B Street, Hayward, CA.

Jenny Lin Summer Youth Music Program: Free. Dates: Monday, June 12 – Saturday, July 15, 2023 Rehearsals on Monday, Wednesday, and some Thursday evenings from 6:45 – 9:00 p.m. Rehearsal Location: Creekside Middle School, Castro Valley. Mandatory Concert: Saturday, July 15, 2023, 6:30 p.m. – Chabot College, Hayward

La Honda Music Camp: Away camp in the Santa Cruz Mountains July 15-July 22. Music classes daily, plus opportunities for activities like canoeing, ping-pong, archery, swimming, etc. Two half scholarships awarded to EBYO students.

Sequoia Chamber Music Workshop: Session I: June 18-June 24, Session II: June 25-July 1, 2023. Campers perform in four different chamber groups on the campus of Cal Poly Humboldt in the redwoods. A \$300 per session scholarship is offered to all EBYO members who attend. Our own Dr. Bill is the director of this music camp.

Cazadero Music Camp: EBYO orchestra members are offered a \$100 discount off summer camp fees for the 2023 summer season. They offer several age-based camp sessions for musicians entering the 5th - 12th grades. June 19 to August 5. To receive the discount, please contact them by phone or email.

TINY TICKETS (BART): EBYO is collecting BART "tiny tickets" as a fundraiser. If you have a BART ticket that has a small amount remaining on it, please consider donating it to EBYO. You can mail it to EBYO, PO Box 3970, Hayward, CA 94540. Thank you!

♪♪ **SPRING CONCERT** ♪♪

**May 21, 2023, 4 pm, MOREAU CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, TEVES THEATER.
SAVE THE DATE!**

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