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From the Podium



Maestro Scaglione in performance with PYO during the 73rd Annual Festival Concert.

Dear Friends:

With the days of summer and auditions now behind us, the PYO's 74th Season has begun. Students have resumed the rhythm of balancing academic pursuits with all their artistic, athletic, musical, and social engagements. Before long, our flagship ensemble will kick-off the season at the Kimmel Center with a performance of the music of Beethoven, Mussorgsky, and Ravel. The 2013-2014 season will delight you and create a stir and an excitement build-up to our 75th Anniversary Year in 2014-2015.

As in Noteworthy editions, past, I want to reiterate and impress that our students and faculty are who make the PYO organization one of the nation's premier youth orchestras and classical music education programs.

Witness and testimonials are what weave the elaborate tapestry of history within organizations standing tall and firm for 75 years. We are always pleased to hear from our alumni, to greet them as audience members, and to offer them opportunities to mentor our current students. Alumni are the cornerstone of the PYO organization and it brings us great pride to share their accomplishments.

We also congratulate our new and returning students: you are among a very select group of gifted musicians. All at the PYO organization are looking forward to working with you and with your families as we prepare you for great orchestral performances and for all opportunities that you pursue.

Without the time, commitment, talent, and generosity of our volunteers and parents, our organization would not be as efficient, respected, and able to impact the students we serve: your dedication is paramount to the organization's success.

Friends and donors: thank you for your unwavering support of one of the nation's oldest and highly regarded youth orchestral programs. As many nonprofit organizations struggle, ours is kept vital and forward-moving by your generosity. You sustain the vision and facilitate our being able to provide access to the same unrivaled preparation to under-served families. Our organization, its members, and supporters understand that music categorically transforms all who interpret it and heals, enlivens, and strengthens communities.

Welcome and thank you for maintaining the PYO legacy.

Sincerely,

Louis Scaglione, President & Music Director
Philadelphia Youth Orchestra

2013/2014 Season at a Glance



PRYSM members in concert at Centennial Hall of The Haverford School.

Post these dates on your calendars, NOW!

The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra organization is pleased to announce its 74th Annual Season. All dates and repertoire are now listed on [our website](#).

Be sure to save the dates and prepare to be amazed! Also, this season, PYO's Annual Gala will be held on March 21, 2014 at [The Union League of Philadelphia](#). With overwhelming response to our last year's showcase, every student in the PYO organization (**all five ensembles**) will return to perform at our fundraiser gala. Details will be sent in the coming months, but do note the date. As in years past, we are delighted to have the [Studio Incamminati](#) supporting our event with an art show and auction to benefit the PYO.

The repertoire is robust and exhilarating. We look forward to seeing you at many of these events. Also, be on the look-out for our package promotions. As the concert dates approach, check our website for group and subscription tickets. These concerts make for fantastic and enriching family outings and a way to introduce new audiences to our very talented young artists. Do come out in support of these dedicated, young musicians.

PYO Board of Trustees Updates

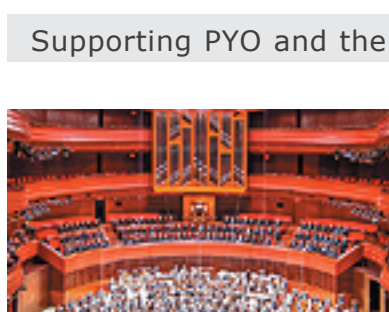


Mr. & Mrs. Blackstone, with guests, pictured at the 2012 PYO Gala.

The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra is pleased to welcome Mr. Gary Frank (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, LCG, Ltd.) to our esteemed Board of Trustees. In addition to managing his own firm, Mr. Frank currently sits on the Board of the Philly POPS where he serves as vice-chairman. We welcome Mr. Frank, his commitment to the arts and culture of our City, and for his dedication to empowering and educating our youth.

As terms expire and professional circumstances prevent ongoing participation on our Board, we wish to publicly thank Mr. Andrew Abruzzese and Mr. Michael Blackstone for their service and support of our organization. Their commitment, dedication, and many contributions to our leadership is to be commended. Mr. Abruzzese and Mr. Blackstone will be missed and fondly remembered for all they did to forward the mission of the PYO. We thank them, both, for their leadership.

Supporting PYO and the New Parent Alliance



PYO performing in Verizon Hall to a large crowd of family, friends, and supporters.

Call it "effortless fundraising!" Do you know that in addition to your steady support of the PYO via appeals, concert ticket purchases, gala attendance, YOU can help raise additional funds at no cost to you?

Our Development Director, Maria Newman, will be on hand at the Parent Meetings to discuss opportunities through Onecause.com, Barnes and Noble and other programs and these efforts can be parent-driven and require little to no time on your part.

Interested in helping guide the Alliance? Contact Maria Newman at mlnewman@pyos.org or 215.545.0502

Save The Date!



The newly renovated Lincoln Hall of The Union League of Philadelphia will host the upcoming PYO Gala showcase concert.

Friday, March 21, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
2014 PYO Gala Dinner and Concert

Philadelphia Youth Orchestra

Philadelphia Young Artists Orchestra

PRYSM

Bravo Brass

Tune Up Philly

The Union League of Philadelphia

140 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Advanced reservations required

To request an invitation: 215.545.0502

Call our office to discuss sponsorship opportunities.

Help us make this a banner year!

Upcoming Concerts

PYO

Sunday, November 17, 2013
3:00 p.m.

Kimmel Center, Verizon Hall
Philadelphia, PA

[More information >>>](#)

Bravo Brass

Saturday, November 7, 2013
7:30 p.m.

Saint Mark's Church
Philadelphia, PA

[More information >>>](#)

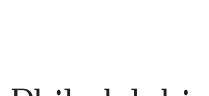
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Tuesday December 17, 2013
8:00 p.m.

Saint Mark's Church
Philadelphia, PA

[More information >>>](#)

Complete performance schedules for Philadelphia Youth Orchestra, Philadelphia Young Artists Orchestra, Bravo Brass, PRYSM and Tune Up Philly may be viewed at www.pyos.org.



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