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From the Podium



Maestro Scaglione addresses guests and supporters at the PYO 73rd Annual Gala.

Dear Friends:

The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra organization has been enjoying a wonderful spring. PYO performed "Icarus At the Edge of Time" as part of PIFA and the Philadelphia Science Festival in Verizon Hall at The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, and received [rave reviews](#); Tune Up Philly concluded its tour of Free Library Branches in North Philadelphia; PRYSM held an Open House for prospective students for next season; and PYAO and Bravo Brass students continued to impress their conductors as they prepare for upcoming performances.

All of our students are hardworking and accomplished, but I'd like to recognize 15 students from the PYO for their recent honor of being selected to perform in this year's All-Eastern Orchestra! More details are on the [PYO website](#) about these gifted and talented young musicians:

Dagny Barone, violin, Pennsburg, PA
Sylvia Biscoveanu, violin, Morrisville, PA
Joseph Burke, viola, Kendall Park, NJ
Christopher Cute, double bass, Philadelphia, PA
Sara Dornblaser, french horn, Fallsington, PA
Chason Goldfinger, viola, Malvern, PA
Jason Hermann, violin, Bryn Mawr, PA - Concertmaster
Andrea Jin, viola, Fort Washington, PA
Grace Lee, violin, Moorestown, NJ
June Lee, violin, Wallingford, PA
Edward Pyun, cello, Kennett Square, PA
Mike Sha, violin, Paoli, PA
Allan Wang, violin, Medford, NJ
Weijia Wang, violin, Philadelphia, PA

With many great concerts yet to perform this year, the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra's Season is far from over. You can read more about our upcoming Festival Concerts, below. But as our 73rd Annual Season draws to a close, I encourage you to contribute to our annual fund. Your generosity allows the PYO organization to provide classical music education to more than 400 students from the Tri-State region. If you are interested in becoming a donor, please call me at 215-545-0502.

I hope to see you at one of our upcoming Festival Concerts as we conclude PYO's 73rd Annual Season!

Sincerely,

[Louis Scaglione](#), President & Music Director
Philadelphia Youth Orchestra

2013 Festival Concerts



Students in PYAO perform at the 2013 PYO Organization Gala.

The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra's tradition for 73 years is to conclude each season with a special festival concert, which showcases the accomplishments and growth of the orchestra throughout the year. As our organization has expanded to include four additional ensembles, most has its own festival concert at the conclusion of each season, broadening our offering to the Tri-State region. We hope you will join us for one of our remaining Festival Concerts!

Bravo Brass

10th Annual Festival Concert
Saturday, June 1st – 7:30 p.m.
Saint Mark's Church, Philadelphia
"Music of the Masters"

Featuring music by Bach, Bizet, Bruckner, and other notable composers.

Philadelphia Youth Orchestra

73rd Annual Festival Concert
Sunday, June 2nd – 7:30 p.m.
Verizon Hall, The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts with [The Mendelssohn Club of Philadelphia](#), and soloists, [Michelle Johnson](#), soprano, and [Chrystal E. Williams](#), mezzo soprano.
Gustav Mahler: Symphony No. 2 – "Resurrection"

2013/2014 Season Auditions



Students in PRYSM perform in February 2013. The 2013/2014 Season for the PYO organization begins in September 2013.

If you or a classical music student between the ages of 6–21 years old is interested in joining the PYO organization, please visit the PYO website for complete details about auditioning for one of our ensembles for the 2013/2014 Season. The students in the PYO organization credit their involvement in the organization with bolstering their overall development and assisting them gain entrance to the university or conservatory of their choice. Auditions will be held this June for PYO, PYAO, Bravo Brass and PRYSM, and rehearsals begin in September.

Auditions can be scheduled on the PYO website, or by calling 215 545 0502.

Attention All Alumni!



Maestro Louis Scaglione with Alumnus and Composer, Sheridan Seyfried and soloist, Zachary Bond, after the premiere of his Bass Trombone Concerto in 2008.

The PYO has already inaugurated a small Alumni Committee to identify and help connect former students. Please take a moment to reconnect with the office via email or phone to update your records. Our Director of Development is compiling the database of all former alums to ensure that you are kept abreast of networking opportunities and events that will reunite you with your symphonic-training alma mater. Please email Maria Newman at mnewman@pyos.org or call the office at 215 545 0502, ext 4 to speak with her. We are very interested in compiling testimonials that we can use in our marketing materials and count on your support, too, as volunteers, sponsors, and donors of The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra. Stay tuned to an upcoming mailing personalized just for you!

Calling All Parents!



PYO & PYAO Parents Lori & Jim Goldfinger at the PYO 73rd Annual Gala in March 2013.

For the 2013/2014 Season, we are inviting you to participate in a parent association for your ensembles. You are the foremost ambassadors of our program and you are first-hand witnesses of the impact that the program has on your sons and daughters. There are myriad ways that you can facilitate small to medium fundraising projects in support of our mission. Please contact our Director of Development, Maria Newman, at 215 545 0502 to share your ideas and to discuss PYO Parent Association Committee opportunities. A more formal discussion will be held at our fall orientation days, but parents interested in taking a lead, should call Ms. Newman, as soon as possible.

Upcoming Concerts

Tune Up Philly

Thursday, May 30, 2013
4:00 p.m.

Kirkbride Center, CHOP
Philadelphia, Pa.

[More information >](#)

Bravo Brass

Saturday, June 1, 2013
7:30 p.m.

Saint Mark's Church
Philadelphia, Pa.

[More information >](#)

PYO

Saturday, June 2, 2013
7:30 p.m.

Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts
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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