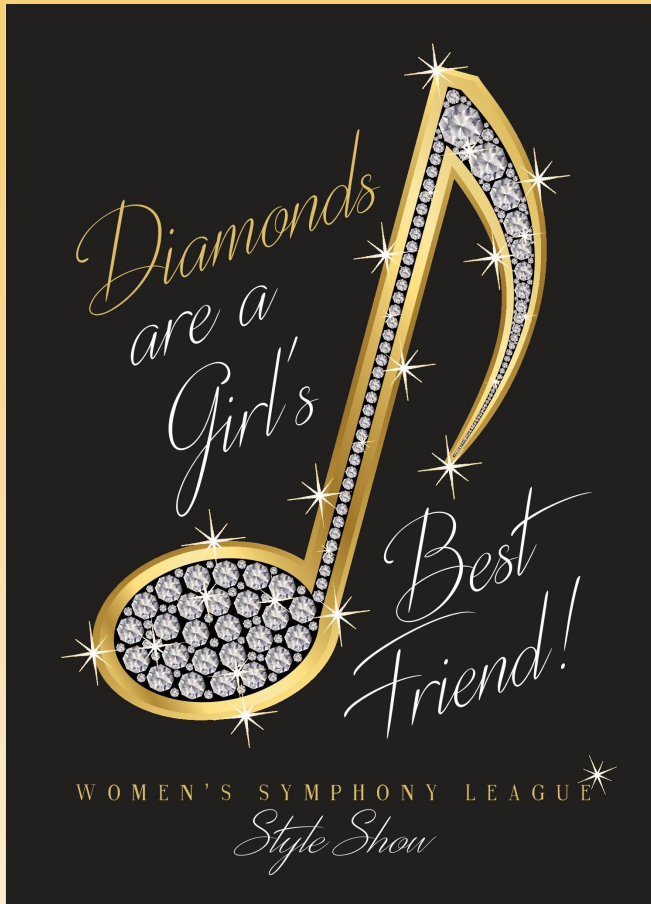


August-September 2015

WSL Notes

SAVE THE DATE



FALL LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015
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WOMEN'S
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*Celebrating
60 Magnificent
Years of Music*

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Dear Ladies,

Sixty years! How many organizations last 60 years much less 60 magnificent years? The Women's Symphony League of Tyler has done just that. Sixty years of enriching our community by supporting music and music education in our community. Our talented and dedicated members have made this happen while making many lifelong friendships along the way. I am honored to serve as your president as we mark this milestone in our history. I encourage each of you to participate as much as possible in our upcoming activities and continue the tradition of camaraderie of working together towards a common goal...Keeping the Music alive in Tyler!

- ◇ We all know....**Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend** so join us on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 for a sparkling Style Show and Luncheon. The event is at the Green Acres Crosswalk Conference Center. Kelly Michaels and Angie Russell have a wonderful event planned along with Mary V's.
- ◇ Come to our **General Meetings** at some of the loveliest homes in Tyler. Enjoy lively conversation, music and of course wonderful food provided by our very own committee of "Cooks in the Kitchen".
- ◇ Our league of Diamonds comes together in January for **Diamonds at Play!** Games Day at Willow Brook Country Club and Bunko Night at The Potpourri House. Invite your friends to play mahjongg, bridge and bunko and enjoy a lovely meal and fun play!
- ◇ A must attend event is this year's WSL Ball- **BLUE** at Harvey Convention Center. Amy Lively and Kamala Scammahorn are preparing a special event for you to celebrate our 60 years! Plan to attend March 4th as we honor and celebrate members of our Junior Symphony League and their families.

I want each of you to know that we do make a difference with you as members. We are enriching our community by supporting the ETSO. Not only do we support them financially, we also support the ETSO with our presence at the concerts and events. We are so fortunate to be able to make such a valuable impact in our community. As we celebrate our year of Diamonds, my hope is you will enjoy being part of our prestigious organization that is so rich in tradition. Together, let's keep the music alive and continuing to reach Magnificent Milestones!

Regards,

Linda Rowe

WSL President 2015-2016

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything."

- Plato -

Endowment Corner

WOMEN'S SYMPHONY LEAGUE ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION

The following individuals have made contributions to the WSL Endowment Foundation subsequent to the last newsletter printing.

GENERAL ENDOWMENT DONATIONS

Sandy Baugh
Barbara Elfarr
Tad and Margo Hillin
Mitzi Tyner

IN MEMORY OF

Vernon Faulconer
Father-in-law of Renee Faulconer
Cindy and Randy Kidwell

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ALL ENDOWMENT FUND donations are greatly appreciated and will assist WSL in fulfilling its dual mission of supporting the East Texas Symphony Orchestra and encouraging music education in our community. Donations are appreciated and acknowledged promptly. Thank you, **Joyce Hudnall , Endowment Chair**

Sips for Scholarship

Don't forget to bring your spare change to our general meetings . We have started the tradition of passing the big coffee cup to collect money for our scholarships. That small cup has helped add to our goal of supporting our local future musicians. Every little bit helps!! Last year, we raised enough money passing our cup at meetings to fund an entire scholarship!

You can also mail any donation to the scholarship fund to the following address:

WSL Treasurer
PO Box 6823
Tyler, Texas 75711

Social Media Spotlight

Like Women's Symphony League of Tyler on Facebook to stay up to date on important announcements and upcoming events. We will also be posting fun trivia, photos and more. There will even be opportunities to win symphony tickets!



Help spread the word by sharing our page with your friends.

Do you have information you'd like to see on the WSL Facebook page? Contact Julie Dawson, Social Media Coordinator at julie_kidwell@hotmail.com



WSL of Tyler Member Named to National Volunteer Council

Cindy Kidwell has recently been elected to the national Volunteer Council of the League of American Orchestras. She is one of three nominees selected from across America to join 17 other volunteers on the Council. The purpose of the Volunteer Council is to support orchestra volunteers nationwide.

Cindy has been a member of the Women's Symphony League for 39 years, serving WSL in numerous capacities including President in 1997 and again in 2014, Co-Ball Chairman, Vice President of the Junior Symphony League, Nominating Chairman and Advisor to the President. She has represented WSL on the East Texas Symphony Orchestra Executive and Full Boards as well as the Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras.

An active community volunteer, Cindy has volunteered in numerous capacities for the Texas Rose Festival and is a member of the Wedding Guild at Marvin United Methodist Church, Daughters of the American Revolution, Criterion Study Club and Rosebud Garden Club.

Cindy and her husband, Randy, enjoy spending



time with their children and grandchildren: Julie and Trent Dawson, Drew and Tilly of Tyler; and Courtney and Ryan Kidwell, Austyn, Connor and Hudson of Dallas.

Cindy commented, "It is an honor to serve on the Volunteer Council and in many ways promote the good work accomplished by our Women's Symphony League members here in Tyler. I so look forward to the great opportunities this role will afford me to encourage others and to promote the exchange and sharing of ideas among volunteers across the country."

East Texas Youth Orchestra

ETYO has exciting plans for the 2015-2016 season. Stay tuned for more information!



Make Plans to Attend A Winter Fundraiser!!

Games Day & Luncheon Bunko Evening & Dinner

Tuesday, January 19, 2016
10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
The Potpourri House

Thursday, January 21, 2016
5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
Willow Brook Country Club



JSL

The Junior Symphony League welcomes 53 new junior JSL members and 52 returning seniors! We are looking forward to a wonderful and exciting 2015-2016 season!

It has been a busy summer with senior JSL members having their portraits made for the Ball program, and junior JSL members ordering their concert attire and presentation gowns. Our first meeting for the fall will be *for students only* at 10:30 am on Saturday, September 26th at the Cowan Center for training for the ETSO concert that evening. More details will be sent to the parents.



Also be sure to mark your calendars for the JSL Monster Bowl fundraiser that will be held on Sunday, October 25th at Green Acres Bowl.



"A symphony must be like the world. It must contain everything."
-Gustav Mahler

Membership Roster Additions

A big welcome to our newest members:

Kristin Anthony	Rosy Guzman	Shmeil Ouin	Heather Wilson
Jackie Barnett	M.E. Harbold	Amy Patterson	Amy Wilt
Rebecca Berkley	Penny Harrison	Brittany Poster	Jeradee Zips
Sheila Berry	Laura Haygood	LeAnne Priest	
Kathryn Brewer	Sarah Holmes	Kelly Reed	
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Lexie Clark	Christi Khalaf	Kari Riepe	
Valerie Coates	Sarah Labat	Jodie Rohrbach	
Mary Davis	Julie Ann Maberry	Susan Gilbert Rossman	
Michelle Dial	Kelly Manziel	Greta Simpson	
Carol Foley	Anne Martinez	Michelle Smith	
Wendy Frizzell	Traci Meyer	Rebekah Terry	
Katie Gibson	Stephanie Mowery	Aneysa Thedford	

Mandatory New Member Orientation

New active members are required to attend the orientation meeting held ***Tuesday, September 15 at 6:30 p.m.*** at the home of Linda Rowe, 1415 Royal Oak Drive



JOIN US!

An exciting new era is about to dawn for the East Texas Symphony Orchestra and you won't want to miss a note. The 2015/16 opening night concert on September 26, will debut our new ETSO acoustical shell. Acoustics, Aes-

thetics, and Versatility! The shell will enhance on stage communication between musicians, increase the projection of sound into the hall, bring a warm visual environment through the beauty of the cherry wood finish and evenness of lighting, and allow for unique flexibility through our ability to reconfigure the space to accommodate ensembles of varying sizes.

The diverse programming of the 2015/2016 Subscription Series offers something for everyone: from a major choral work, to a night at the movies, to a performance by the in-demand trio Time for Three.

Season tickets for all five concerts start at \$39. You may also choose any three concerts and create your own series, starting at \$27. Subscription Series concerts are performed at the UT Tyler Cowan Center. You may order subscriptions through the Cowan Center Box Office, 903-566-7424, or visit www.ETSO.org to learn more.



Here is a look at the 2015/2016 Season:

Opening Night: Shell Dedication
September 26, 2015

Join Richard Lee and the ETSO as they step into a new era of music making with the dedication of the new orchestra shell at the UT Tyler Cowan Center. For this special opening night concert, enjoy three masterworks certain to showcase the new

acoustics. Internationally acclaimed pianist Lucille Chung performs Prokofiev's rousing Piano Concerto No. 1. Desmond Hoebig, former principal cello of the Cleveland, Houston, and Cincinnati symphonies, is featured in Schumann's beautiful Cello Concerto. The concert concludes with Saint-Saëns epic Symphony No. 3, the Organ Symphony. Come hear the ETSO as you've never heard them before!

City Lights: A Multi-Media Experience **November 14, 2015**

Experience the movies as never before as the East Texas Symphony Orchestra presents one of Charlie Chaplin's best films, *City Lights*, with live orchestra! This classic has it all: comedy, pratfalls, drama, social commentary and pathos...not to mention Chaplin's remarkable physical gifts. Add to this the challenge of synchronizing the Orchestra's live performance of Chaplin's original score to this classic film, and you are in for a magical and unique evening.

Photo: City Lights ©Roy Export S.A.S.



Knockout Concert **January 30, 2016**

Time for Three is a group that happily defies any traditional genre classification. With an uncommon mix of virtuosity and showmanship, the American trio performs music from Bach and Brahms to bluegrass, folk tunes, and mashups of hits by the



Beatles, Katy Perry, Justin Timberlake and more. They have performed at Carnegie Hall, with numerous orchestras and collaborated with prominent artists from Branford Marsalis to pop singer-songwriter Joshua Radin. Their infectious personalities and dizzying virtuosity are featured on this performance in works from Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* and the music of Bach to renditions of Eleanor Rigby, Danny Boy, the theme from

Schindler's List, and Orange Blossom Special. Time for Three is one of a kind with their crowd thrilling, on the spot improvisations. This could very well be the performance of the season. Don't Miss Out!

Photo: LeAnn Mueller

Musical Fireworks

March 19, 2016

ETSO principal trombone, Efrain Sain, takes center stage for the seldom heard Trombone Concerto by Wagenseil. Then violinist Elissa Lee, sister of ETSO Music Director Richard Lee, joins the Orchestra for Mendelssohn's popular and virtuoso Violin Concerto. The ETSO is joined by brass and wind students from UT Tyler for two orchestral favorites, Bach's *Fantasia in G* and Berlioz' *Rakoczy March*. The evening concludes with Stravinsky's evocative *Firebird Suite*, adapted by the composer from his score for the famed ballet.

Photo: Cylla von Tiedemann



Raise Your Voices **April 30, 2016**



The season concludes with an evening of powerful music for chorus and orchestra. The performance opens with Beethoven's *Choral Fantasy* for piano, chorus and orchestra, featuring 2014 Juanita Miller Competition Grand Prize Winner Patrick Pan at the keyboard. The centerpiece of the evening is Brahms' profound and moving *German Requiem*. Featuring a chorus comprised of some of the area's finest voices, this concert provides a grand finale to the season.

All ETSO subscription series concerts start at 7:30 pm at the UT Tyler Cowan Center. For more information and to listen to musical excerpts, visit www.ETSO.org

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MUSIC

NOON NOTES

On the Friday before each concert from 12:00 to 1:00 pm, Richard Lee and the guest soloist share insights about the music being performed. Noon Notes is free and open to the public. This season Noon Notes has a new home - Center Court at Broadway Square Mall.

OPENING NOTES WITH JIM BROUSSARD

At 6:45 on performance nights, Jim Broussard hosts a pre-concert lecture on works to be played that evening. Opening Notes takes place at the Cowan Center and is free to concert ticket holders.

ETSOA@LIBERTY HALL

Along with the orchestra performances at the Cowan Center, the East Texas Symphony Orchestra Association also presents unique programs at Liberty Hall in Downtown Tyler.

The 2015/2016 Liberty Hall season includes the return of favorite programs and new offerings for the entire family. Tickets for Liberty Hall events are sold through the ETSO offices and online at ETSO.org.

Join us for these special concert events at Liberty Hall:

ETSO Jazz Spectacular

November 21, 2015 – 7:30 pm

with special guest Eric Marienthal, saxophone

Celtic Christmas with Gaelic Storm

December 5, 2015 – 7:30 pm

in collaboration with the City of Tyler

Mostly Mozart

January 24, 2016 – 7:30 pm

a presentation of First Presbyterian Church

Opera Amore

February 12, 2016 – 7:30 pm

In collaboration with Marvin Music Series at Marvin UMC

ETSO Family Concert

February 27, 2016

ETSO Piano Festival

April 1 & 2, 2016 – 7:30 pm

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online through
Twitter, Facebook,
and ETSO.org to
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special video
previews and behind
the scenes
information.



Attention WSL Members

Please review your Membership information and Placement listing in the 2015-2016 Handbook.

Contact the Membership VP, Norma Smith (903.839.8981, 903.245.1757, membership@wslytyler.org) if necessary.

Contact the Placement Chair, Tammy Pollard (903.526.9669, 903.520.9959, placement@wslytyler.org) if necessary.

Mark Your Calendars

Tuesday, September 15, 2015— 6:30 p.m.

New Member Meeting, Home of Linda Rowe

Friday, September 25, 2015—12 noon

Noon Notes, Center Court at Broadway Square Mall

Saturday, September 26, 2015— 7:30 p.m.

ETSO Opening Night, UT Tyler Cowan Center

Tuesday, September 29, 2015—11:00 a.m.

Fall Style Show & General Meeting, GABC Crosswalk Center

Thursday, October 8, 2015— 11:30 a.m.

Executive Board Meeting, Home of Linda Rowe

Thursday, November 12, 2015— 11:30 a.m.

Full Board Meeting, Home of Tammy Pollard

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