

WINTER 2024

MUSICAL NOTES

Official Newsletter of the Santa Cruz Symphony League

Concert Preview: Daphnis & Chloe

Join Maestro Daniel Stewart for a unique opportunity to experience the January concerts on a deeper level with stories behind the music and up close performances by soloists in an intimate setting. Featured music will include Mahler's Adagio from Symphony No.10, Jean Ahn's Ja-Jang Ja-Jang for Gayageum & Orchestra, and Ravel's Daphnis et Chloe 2nd Suite.

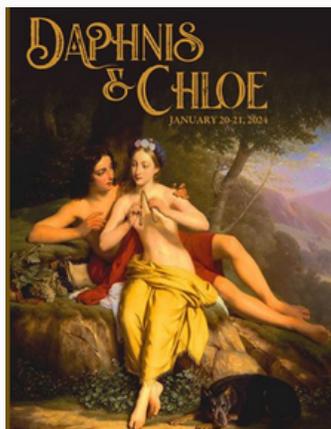
DATE: Fri, Jan 19

TIME: 11:30am - 2:00pm

PLACE: Margaritaville, 231 Esplanade, Capitola

TICKETS: \$40/per person. Includes lunch, dessert & a glass of wine.

RSVP: Contact Sheila Vaughn at (831) 332-1695. Order online at: SantaCruzSymphonyLeague.org



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Wings of Glory Gala Planned

We're set for a swinging great time at the Wings of Glory Gala! Celebrate an era of high fashion, lively music, and glamorous movie stars. Gussy up in your favorite vintage style, and dance the night away with your sweetie while listening to the velvety tunes of the Swingin' Blue Stars and John Michael Sinatra Band. Exciting silent and live auction items, a gourmet buffet dinner, and open bar will be included. Space is limited and tickets are selling fast. Reserve your seat today!

DATE: Saturday, February 10

TIME: 5:30pm - 9:30pm

PLACE: Veteran's Memorial Hall
846 Front Street, Santa Cruz

TICKETS: \$ 200 per person
\$ 1600 table of 8

RSVP: Contacting Cheryl Hammond at
(831) 475-9482 or buy online at:
www.SantaCruzSymphonyLeague.org

Member Spotlight



Cheryl Hammond wears many hats for the Symphony League. She previously served as President 2020-2022, and Vice President of Education and Previews for 5 years. Since 2012, she has been an active member of our Board of Directors as Past President, Parliamentarian, Historian, and Property Manager.

Retired from careers in consumer and commercial credit, sales management, and education counseling, Cheryl is a master with organizing and fine tuning details for our financials and events.

When she's not busy juggling her many duties with the Symphony League, you'll find her managing the succulent gardens of her complex and sharing her skills on the Board of Directors for her HOA. Cheryl also volunteers at The Daisy Store in Capitola to raise money for Family Services Agency, which provides counseling, suicide prevention, and supportive services throughout Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties.

Cheryl played trumpet in marching band and French horn in orchestra, having picked up the brass instruments from her Minnesota grandfather who was a music teacher, and also had a Polka band. It's no wonder Cheryl is so masterful at orchestrating so many tasks with such grace and precision!





Orchestra Refreshments

Musicians and guest performers travel from far and wide to perform with the Santa Cruz Symphony. During their time here, they spend countless hours preparing to perfect the performances for our concerts. They often have little time to eat between their commitments to the various rehearsals and preconcert events they attend. Show your appreciation to them by supporting Feed the Orchestra, which provides refreshments to musicians and guest performers during concert rehearsals!

How can you help?

- Mail a check for "Feed the Orchestra" to:
*Santa Cruz Symphony League
c/o Mark & Roy Chambers-Bray
157 Willow
Felton, CA 95018*
- Sign-up to volunteer to provide refreshments or serve refreshments. Smiling faces and helping hands are always welcome! Contact Dan & Vickie Rutan at (831) 475-4939 for details.



THANK YOU Orchestra Refreshment Donors

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 - Roger Knacke
 - Sophie Polyhronakis
 - Susan Dormanen



Remarkable Rowland Rebele

We join countless organizations and residents in expressing our sorrow at the passing of Rowland ("Reb") Rebele on Saturday, November 25. He was a philanthropic fixture who tirelessly and passionately supported many organizations in his local community, including the Santa Cruz Symphony. Not only did he provide key financial support, but Reb also gave his time, guidance, and insight to advocate for cultural and artistic priorities that made many lives richer and fuller.



A public memorial service will be held on **Saturday, February 17 at 1:00pm** at the **Cabrillo College Crocker Theater**. We hope you can join us to help honor this remarkable man and celebrate the long lasting legacy he built.

Mark Your Calendar

The Symphony League always has something new & exciting planned! Mark your calendar and join us at an upcoming event:

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| JAN 19, 2024 | Concert Preview: Daphnis & Chloe |
| FEB 10, 2024 | Wings of Glory Gala |
| MAR 22, 2024 | Concert Preview: Festivals |
| MAY 3, 2024 | Concert Preview: Bach B Minor Mass |
| JUN 1 & 2, 2024 | Home & Garden Tour |

Purchase tickets at: SantaCruzSymphonyLeague.org

Concert Dates

Daphnis & Chloe

JAN 20 & 21

Mahler: Adagio from Symphony No. 10

Jean Ahn: Ja-Jang for Gayageum

Ravel: Daphnis et Chloe 2nd Suite

Festivals

MAR 23 & 24

Jose Granero: Matsuri Overture

Schumann: Cello Concerto

Stravinsky: Petrushka

Bach: B Minor Mass

MAY 4 & 5

Popular concerts sell out, so secure your seats early.

Ways to order tickets:

ONLINE:

www.SantaCruzTickets.com

BOX OFFICE:

307 Church Street

Santa Cruz 95060

CALL:

(831) 420-5260



New Year, New Members

Happy New Year! 2024 ushered in a great group of new members to the League. Join us in welcoming:

Holly Brown
Cecily Cahill
Mark Dybdahl
Bob Edmund
Joyce Franzman
Julia Fuerst
Clare Hidalgo
Polly Hughes
Kent & Marie Imai
Mary Kelly
Renee Kellythorne
Gerry Mandel
Karen & Jorge Manriquez
Carol Turley

Centennial Celebration

Long time League member
George Cook
celebrated his 100th birthday
in December! Best wishes for
health & happiness in
the years to come.

A Membership Committee meeting will be held via Zoom on **January 15 at 10:00am - 11:30am**. If you would like to participate, contact Dan Rutan at (831) 475-4939 or rutandan@comcast.net for details and Zoom link.

Dan is also glad to provide League information to a prospective member, if you know someone who would be interested in joining the League. Send Dan their contact information and he'll be happy to call or send a brochure.



Until We Meet Again

We wish to send our deepest condolences to the families of longtime League members Sheila Hall, Roland Rebele, and Rufino Madrigal (husband of Sophie Polyhronakis) on the passing of their loved ones. Our lives were made better for having known them as friends and fellow members of the League.

Composer Spotlight



A native of Korea, composer Jean Ahn began her music studies in piano and composition at an early age. Her creative output includes works ranging from solo instruments and chamber music to full orchestra, as well as choral, dance, and electroacoustic music. She received First Prize at the Renée Fisher Competition and the Sejong Korean Music Competition. She has also received awards from the the Korean National Music Composers Association, the De Lorenzo Prize in Music Composition, and the Isadora Duncan Award for Saltdoll. She was a Finalist for the Toulmin Prize (League of Orchestra Commissioning Competition) in 2019 and 2020, and was a Finalist for the American Prize.

Her research into Korean folk songs, "Folksong Revisited", has been presented at the College Music Society Symposium, the National Association of Singers Convention, and the Symposium for New Music in São Paulo, Brazil. With her folk song collection, she introduces Korean songs and techniques to professional performers in the US. She has also studied electronic music at the Center for New Music And Technology, composing pieces for koto and electronics that exaggerate gestures from Asian traditional music. Her focus is on extending the limits of the performer while preserving the authenticity of the acoustic instrument.

She is the director of Ensemble ARI and is a lecturer at UC Berkeley. She is also the music director for CHIM studio, teaching music to special needs students.