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MYS  
**Quarter Notes**

## Save the Date!

### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season Concert Schedule

**MYS Fall Concert**  
**Sunday, November 13, 6:30pm**  
Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis  
Featuring pianist Nachito Herrera  
with the MYS Symphony Orchestra

**MYS Winter Concert**  
**Sunday, February 12, 6:30pm**  
Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis  
Featuring the 2011-12 Symphony Solo  
Competition Winner

**MYS Spring Concert**  
**Sunday, April 22, 2:00pm**  
Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis



## A Message from Co-Artistic Directors Manny and Claudette Laureano

Another year gone and another year for the record books. Congratulations to all the MYS orchestras for a terrific season. Each orchestra started on an upward climb last September and continued to reach new heights by the final concert. I will never forget the moment when we were all back stage waiting for Pat Kelly's downbeat to the Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 5. We were expecting an average to slow tempo but when we all heard the first few notes we shot glances at each other and said, "No way!" It was really one of the highlights of our 23 year tenure at MYS.

We are so proud of all of you, not just because of your musical skills, talent, and accomplishments, but because of the fine young people that you are. We speak for the entire administration, board, and faculty of MYS when we say that it has been an honor and a thrill to know you and to have the opportunity to work with you. Continue to live your dreams and set high standards for yourself. Goals are not always achieved on the first try but often after much blood, sweat, and tears. Always remember when you are aiming high that good is not enough when you dream of being great.

To our seniors, good luck in your future endeavors and always remember that we are just a phone call or email away! To everyone, have a wonderful summer, play hard, practice(!), relax, spend time with those you love, and we will look forward to seeing you again in the autumn.

With warm affection,  
Claudette and Manny Laureano



## MYS News and Information

### What Happens After Auditions?

#### Orchestra Placement

Notifications of orchestra placement will be sent by mail and will be post-marked by Friday, June 24. If you have not received your placement by Tuesday, June 28, please call the MYS office.

#### Accepting/Declining Your Orchestra Placement

Once you have received your placement, you will be directed to “accept” or “decline” your placement online at the MYS website. **The deadline for confirming your placement is Friday, July 1.**

#### Tuition Deposit

A non-refundable **\$100 tuition deposit** per student is due when you accept your orchestra placement. The deposit is required to reserve your spot in the orchestra and counts towards your tuition.

### Welcome New Volunteer Coordinator Maria Melichar!

A graduate from the University of Minnesota with a Masters degree in nursing Maria is currently working as a nurse practitioner in cardiology. Prior volunteer experiences include building puppets and assisting in puppetry performances, as well as assisting and organizing fundraising banquets for several local non-profit organizations.

During the 2010-2011 MYS season, Maria volunteered backstage at concerts, chaperoned, and assisted with the MYS year-end picnic and play-in. Volunteering is an excellent way to stay involved in your child’s activities, make new friends and contribute to a wonderful organization! If you are interested in volunteering with the Minnesota Youth Symphonies, including assisting at rehearsals, chaperoning retreats, concert supervising, or helping with mailings and other fun tasks, contact Maria at [mlhmelichar@aol.com](mailto:mlhmelichar@aol.com) or call 612-865-9965 or 952-657-2323.



## MYS Student and Alumni News



The 2010-11 MYS Mary West Memorial String Scholarship was awarded to **Melissa Deal** (violin, Symphony) at the May 1, 2011 Spring Concert. With the \$500 scholarship award, Melissa will be able to attend an intensive music camp this summer for the first time.

“The generous support that Minnesota Youth Symphonies has given me in the years that I have participated, financially and musically, will help me as a developing student and for the rest of my life. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity. I hope that one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals, as this scholarship will help me achieve mine.” —Melissa Deal

The Mary West Memorial String Scholarship is an annual award given to a deserving student. The scholarship award may be used for private violin, viola, cello or bass instruction, music camps, or other pursuits that will give the student a continuing education in music. Funds for this scholarship are administered through the Mary West Memorial String Scholarship Fund.

Congratulations to the following MYS students who were awarded a Young Musicians Scholarship Fund grant.

**Emily Bristol, viola, Repertory**

**Seiji Cataldo, violin, Symphony**

**Melissa Deal, violin, Symphony**

**Kayla Espindola, french horn, Symphony**

**Mark Hatlestad, viola, Symphony**

**Hallie Houser, flute, Symphony**

**Hannah Lutz, french horn, Symphony**

**Joonil Oh, violin, Symphony**

**Stephen Taylor, violin, Repertory**

**Julia Vicic, violin, Repertory**

**William Vicic, violin, Symphony**

*This year the Young Musicians Scholarship Fund awarded \$2400 to scholarship applicants.*

**Natalie Alper-Leroux** (viola, Symphony) was selected to participate in the Perlman Music Program held for six weeks at Shelter Island Heights in New York.

**Emily Anderson** (violin, Alum 2005-09) was accepted into the Heifetz International Music Institute held at Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.

**John Belk** (cello, Symphony) was the 2011 Senior Division Winner for the MN Sinfonia Young Artist Competition. John will receive the Clair Givens Violins prize of \$500 and will perform with the Sinfonia during the 2011 Youth Outreach Concert.

**Brandon Duffy** (violin, Symphony) was the 2011 Junior Division Winner for the MN Sinfonia Young Artist Competition. He will perform the Sinfonia during the Holiday Pops concerts next December.

**Andrew Keller** (bass, Symphony) was awarded music and Jacobs School of Music and the Hutton Honors College academic scholarship at Indiana University.

**Christine Kim** (violin, Repertory) received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 2011 Minnesota Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest.

**Rochelle van der Merwe** (oboe, Repertory) was accepted into the Birch Creek Symphony summer program (one of just three oboe spots), and she is also attending the Midwest Oboe Camp at Kenyon College in Ohio this summer.

Symphony students **Mary Alice Hutton** (violin), **Nora Scheller** (violin, Alum), **Natalie Alper-Leroux** (viola), and **Heather Anderson** (cello) of the **Everest Quartet** won the Saint Paul String Quartet Competition's *Audience Prize*. This is an audience voted prize based on the performance in the competition that moved them the most.

Symphony students **Matt Lammers** (violin), **Melissa Deal** (violin), **Mark Hatlestad** (viola), and **John Belk** (cello) of the **Malik Quartet** will perform at the Caramoor Festival in Katonah, New York on June 26. The performance will be recorded and played on NPR's *From The Top*.

# MYS Class of 2011

Since 1972 MYS has been a musical home for thousands of Minnesota's most talented young musicians. Best wishes to this year's senior class as they join the ranks of MYS Alumni—keep in touch!

## MYS Seniors—Farewell and good luck!

**Peter Aldrich**, Symphony, 2008-11  
St. Paul Conservatory, Grinnell College

**Heather Anderson**, Symphony, 2004-11,  
Armstrong High, Eastman School of Music

**Ji Hee (Diana) Back**, Repertory, 2010-11, East Ridge High

**Rachel Bauske**, Repertory, 2008-11,  
St. Anthony Village High

**Carmen Boerboom**, Symphony, 2005-11,  
Chisago Lakes High, University of North Texas

**Ellen Breen**, Repertory, 2010-11, St. Paul Central High

**Michael Brossart**, Symphony, 2009-11,  
Rosemount High, Concordia College Moorhead

**Sophia Butler**, Symphony, 2003-11, Burnsville High

**Kristin Byrne**, Repertory, 2010-11, Eagan High,  
University of Wisconsin, Madison

**Seiji Cataldo**, Symphony, 2002-11,  
Liberty Classical Academy, St. Olaf College

**Suyoung Cha**, Symphony, 2007-11, Hill-Murray

**John Dierberger**, Symphony, 2003-11, Homeschool,  
The Master's College

**Eleanor Freed**, Symphony, 2009-11, Edina High,  
Oberlin Conservatory

**Evan Furniss**, Philharmonic, 2010-11, Woodbury High

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University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

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St. Paul Central High, Oberlin College

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University



**Michaela Helms**, Repertory, 2008-11,  
Minnetonka High, Gustavus Adolphus College

**Hallie Hillemann**, Symphony, 2007-11,  
St. Paul Conservatory, Lawrence University

**Thomas Holton**, Symphony, 2009-11,  
Mounds Park Academy, Franklin & Marshall College

**Annaeka Johnson**, Symphony, 2008-11,  
Technical High, Lawrence University

**Cody Jones**, Repertory, 2010-11, Roseville High

**Andrew Keller**, Symphony, 2009-11, Wayzata High,  
Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University

**Caitlin Kelliher**, Symphony, 2010-11, Southwest High,  
Columbia University

**Jackson Kidder**, Repertory, 2010-11,  
St. Paul Central High, DePaul University

**Joel Kilgore**, Repertory, 2010-11, Centennial High

**Peter Kim**, Symphony, 2005-11, Edina High

**Reese Kling**, Symphony, 2009-11,  
Watertown-Mayer High, Bethel College

**Matthew Lammers**, Symphony, 2010-11,  
Eden Prairie High

**Jamie Lammers**, Repertory, 2010-11, Champlin Park High

**Hannah Lutz**, Symphony, 2007-11,  
St. Paul Academy, University of Chicago

**Hannah MacLeod**, Symphony, 2003-11,  
Southwest High, Interlochen Arts Academy

**Louis Marget**, Symphony, 2005-11,  
Crosswinds Arts & Science

**Alicia McCann**, Symphony, 2008-11, Anoka Senior,  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

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**Emma McCartney**, Symphony, 2010-11,  
St. Paul Central High, DePaul University

**Nick Meryhew**, Symphony, 2009-11, Woodbury High  
Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University

**Graham Morris**, Symphony, 2006-11, Highland Park High,  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

**Keehun Nam**, Repertory, 2010-11, Eden Prairie High, University  
of Minnesota, Music Education

**Michael Obert**, Symphony, 2007-11, Irondale High

**Mary Park**, Symphony, 2006-11, Irondale High

**Matthew Pfeifer**, Symphony, 2009-11, Champlin Park High

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St. Olaf College

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**Mitchel Stahlmann**, Symphony, 2010-11, Cooper High

**Adam Steeber**, Repertory, 2010-11, Wayzata High

**Nathan Stoerzinger**, Symphony, 2008-11, Eagan High,  
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks

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St. Paul Central High, Schulich School of Music, McGill  
University

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Woodbury High, Stanford University

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Centennial High, Peabody Institute, Johns Hopkins  
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St. Paul Central High, Luther College

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St. Anthony Village High

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As we move into our 40th season MYS will continue to provide our students with top-level orchestral training and uplift audiences with our performances and contribute to the vitality of artistic life in Minnesota. Your financial support helps us provide quality programming, allows us to perform in venues like Orchestra Hall, gives students the opportunity to perform with guest artists, and provides scholarships so every qualifying student can participate, regardless of ability to pay.

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