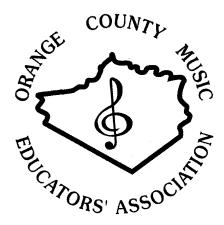
The Orange County Music Educators' Association presents

# THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ALL-COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2017



# **GUEST CONDUCTORS**

# PART I

### CHORUS A

ALVERA T. SYLVESTER

ACCOMPANIST

CAROLYN T. LAHUE

**O**RCHESTRA

MATTHEW ROTJAN

# PART II

BAND

STEVE FRANK

CHORUS B

MAUREEN STICKNEY

ACCOMPANIST

ALISON ECHEVARRIA



Newburgh Free Academy Newburgh, New York Saturday, April 29, 2017 12:30pm & 2:30pm

# **CONCERT PROGRAM**

12:30<sub>PM</sub>

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Greeting	
	t, Orange County Music Educators' Association
Welcome	
Superinte	ndent, Newburgh Enlarged City School District
CHOR	RUS A
Sing Alleluia!	Victor C. Johnson
•	[Hal Leonard]
Adiemus	Karl Jenkins
	[Boosey & Hawkes]
Two Tigers	Chinese Folk Song;
	arr. Rollo Dilworth
	[Hal Leonard]
Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel	Traditional Spiritual;
	arr. Roger Emerson
	[Hal Leonard]
I Am But a Small Voice	~
	and Roger Whittaker;
	arr. Kirby Shaw
	[Hal Leonard]
BA	
Gold Medallion	John Edmondson
	[Queenwood]
Canticum	James Curnow
	[Hal Leonard]

Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

A Song for Friends.....Larry Daehn

[Larry Daehn Publications]

[Alfred]

Please refrain from the use of flash photography during performances. OCMEA will provide a moment for pictures before each ensemble's performance.

# **CONCERT PROGRAM**

2:30PM

# **ORCHESTRA**

La Rejouissance	G. F. Handel; arr. Richard Meyer
	[Alfred]
Zou San	
	[Carl Fischer]
Libertango	Astor Piazzolla;
	arr. James Kazik
	[Hal Leonard]
Fiddles on Fire	Mark Williams
	[Alfred]
CHORUS B	
Path to the Moon	Eric Thiman
	[Boosey & Hawkes]
Chantez Alleluia	Dave & Jean Perry
	[Heritage]
Ee waa, Ee waa	Patsy Ford Simms
	[Alfred]
Three Little Birds	2 2
	[Hal Leonard]
Megahn Hughes, flute	
Song for the Unsung HeroPamela & Joseph Martin	
	[Shawnee]



# OCMEA Elementary School All-County Chorus A

#### Soprano

Stephanie Alvarez, C Genay Atchison, M Cooper Baxter, VC Ariana Beach, PJ Sydney Benware, M Gianna Boria, M Trinity Boyd, M Paul Carlantone, W Liliana Carraturo, MW Ashley Castillo, MW Catharine Catania, VC Arvssia Clune, PJ Jack Connolly, MW Emmarie Corniel, MW Meghan Creamer, Tux Sean Cruz, M Jaelyn Csencstis, PJ Meghan Deane, MW Patrick Dineen, MW Erin Donovan, M Ella Dueck, W Fiona Duffy, W Sophia Farina, HF Alessandra Figueroa, M

Sophia Aparicio, M

Anne Bagley, WP

Jasmine Bell, M

Abigail Blatt, W

Vincent Brooks, W

Shaelin Brown, VC

Jamie Calub, MW

Abbey Conklin, C

Alexa Decker, M

Melissa Diaz, M

Grace Dorantes, M

Jade Fontanez, M

Katie Gillette, VC

Sophie Bento, VC

Emily Figueroa, M Gillian Geiger, VC Madison Gollinger, MW Elissa Gouvelos, VC Clare Griffin, W Angelina Guity, VC Natalie Harwood, MW Kelly Imhof, MW Victoria Jacobs, WP Theresa Karp, W David Lanuti, MW Shane Lauterbach, MW Mackenzie Lennon, VC Grace Lindberg, WP Emma Maley, PJ Kailani Martinez, W Ailish McGrail, C Carson McLendon, C Cristina Miro, VC Tiffany Nagel, W Rory Nowosielski, MW Mia Pagano, C Bianca Ragoonath, VC Ava Rattazzi, Tux

Madisyn Rivera, VC Janiya Robinson, M Rosalia Ruggiero, MW Abigail Russell, M Peyton Ryder, PJ Grace Sandler, C Skye Santiago, W Charlotte Scanlon, MW Nicole Scherf, W Caitlin Sheerin, MW Zelia Soto, C Lara Stewart, M Madison Sullivan, PJ Annika Taylor, C Chanel Taylor, W Gianna Van Vlack, VC Sofia Vanzetta, HF Gianella Velez. M Jessica Washington, M Caitlynn Yeaple, VC Laura Zamora, M Raymond Zavas, M Faith Zollo, MW

#### Alto

Janice Gorbea, M Alexis Gouvelos, VC Kate Hendricks, W Mackenzie Bailey, M Lily Hessari, C Sarah Hiller, MW Brady Bermingham, MW Tyler Jimenez, PJ Reginald Juance, Tux Samuel Kerneklian, MW Aiden Kilroy, MW Ava Campoverde, W Malachi Ladson, PJ Nicholas Lai, MW Parisa Lewis, M Jack Lombardo, W Madeline D'Arco, C Katherine Deane, MW Victoria Lopez, MW Kathrvn Lowenkron, W Madison Decker, W Liliana Maldonado, M Megan Mann, VC Liam Manzi, MW Arianna Eisner, MW Brvnn Marks, HF Kylie McCarron, MW Jacquelvnn Gable, PJ Rocco Mondelli, MW Haley Munoz, MW Desmond Gillick, C Laila Mustafa, MW

Gianna Noboa, M Marvin Noronha, W Alexandra Oosterom, PJ Breanna Ordonez Mejia, M Gianna Ortiz, HF Tatiana Perez, M Sophia Rodriguez, M Nathan Ropchock, M Jenna Rowen-Delson, MW Shaun Ryan, MW Peter Samuelson, C Grace Satriano, VC Isabella Scotto, VC Samantha Smith, VC Aidvn Sotelo, PJ Eryka Squash-Castellanos, VC Sydney Sterling, VC Nicholas Tessin. C Moses Usen, C Emma Vanzetta, HF Julia Vinarub, W

Lianna Williams, PJ

# OCMEA Elementary School All-County Band

#### Flute

Dane Gentles, PB Hailey Meyers. G Kiera Masci, PB Amanda Ogden, PB Kanggun Lee, MW Eryn Coyle, MW Colleen Gilligan, MW Diva Mangatt, MW Samantha Brodie, MW Brenna Baig, MW Hayley Thomas, MW Amelia Turner, MW Alexa Spagna, MW Jasmine Merritt, M Gwenyth Cox, W Stephanie Gomez, PB

#### Oboe

Amara Leitner, MW Joshua Ledwitz, MW

#### Clarinet

Anushree Buragohain, MW Jason Clarke, MW Jeter Sison, MW Leila Horn, WV Ariel Koyfman, MW Hailey Wishnia, WV Hannah Fruhling, G Eamon Comiskey, WV Sarah Ledwitz, MW Scarlett Benker, MW Sophie Marseille, MW Julia McHugh, MW Gracie Paulino, MW Jeremy Stoll, HF Jillian Barry, MW Francesca Donovan, MW Dylan Latchman, N Samantha Wilson, MW Emily Belmont, MW Carson Rother, WV

#### Alto Saxophone

Ella Sussner, MW Lionel Wolfe, WV Sarah Grace Puelzl, Ch Caitlin Emanuel, WV Travis Mecking, MV Morgan Weissinger, MV Leanne Fernandes, MW Matthew Graves, MW

# **Tenor Saxophone**

Madalana Bendix, MW Ashleigh Berentsen, PB

#### Horn

Jamilyn Ebner, MW Sofia Monaco, W Madison Mobray, W Michaila Maggiolo, PB Taylor Maida, PB Grace Gorczynski, W Uma Banavara, W Gabrielle Hahn, MW Robert Wagner, PJ

#### Trumpet

Tessa DeCeglie, MW James Mastropolo, MW Isabel Cruz, W Isaac Gould, Ch Kieran Hamel-Henn, TP Emilee Hogan, VC Garcia Warren, C Tv Williams, PB Kathlynn Johnson, W Alex Negersmith, WV Benjamin Thurtle, G Kayla Tauber, MW Sean Brophy, MW Mariah Rogers, M Michael Lombardi, G Jaxon Troast, W Hannah Aemisegger, WP Manny Tejada, N Leila Margillo, MW Henry Matthews, VC

#### Trombone

Ashok Sathiyamoorthy, MW Kayla Benoit, PB Odessa Prodafikas, MW Braydon Detwiler, Ch Peter Bielfeld, MW Benjamin Dispirito, HF Dean Thomas Jaeger, HF Jacqualine Spektor, MW Liam McPeek, MW Jadon Carnegie, MW Samantha Mynio, W Sofia Zizolfo, W Caleb Linares, MV Aidan Waller, Tux David Rodriguez, W Logan Pollack, MW

#### Euphonium

Katya Baranov, W Kate Fowler, PB Bianca Valdez, W Zachary Kuwent, MW Logan Ceiley, PB Gwendolyn Fogarty, W

#### Tuba

Tiffany Nemeth, W Andrew Keller, C Nathan Samse, MV Dominic Cipriani, W Lydia Penaluna, MV Shane Smith, MW Aiden Infante, W

#### Percussion

Aaron Medina, VC Henry Metz, TP Juliana Hashim, MW James Nicoll, MW

#### Mallets

Morgan Gagnon, C Elizabeth Skalski, MV

#### Timpani

Thomas Brendel, PB

#### OCMEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHORUS A CONDUCTOR



Alvera T. Sylvester hails from Wallkill NY. Though raised on a farm, her musical talents drew her to the studio of concert pianist Robert Guralnik. She went on to attend various music institutions, studying also with the most reputable teachers in NYC and earned degrees in music with concentrations in piano, voice, dance, and theatre. Her professional theatre experience spans the summer stock and regional theatre companies as an actress, accompanist,

and musical and stage director. She worked for two seasons in NYC as musical director for an off-Broadway Theatre company called "Tada!" while performing in the tri-state region as an arranger/performer for her own band RubyQueen and later a vocal jazz group called Tuxedo Junction.

She recently retired from Misericordia University after a rich career in music education, teaching also in Port Jervis and Wallkill, NY where her choirs and productions notably received the highest honors. She has been a sought after clinician leading workshops on various topics and continues to be a frequent guest conductor and/or accompanist for some of the best choirs across New York and Pennsylvania. Alvera has also spent several seasons as the guest conductor in residence for the Eastern US Music Camp at Colgate NY. On the radio, she was heard singing jingles or on her own classical program called Sunday Symphony. She is most proud to have been invited to the Shanghai Conservatory of Music in China to assist formulating the country's first University Musical Theatre Program and locally to have been allowed the privilege of founding the BBC Community Women's Choir in Hawley, PA. You can currently find her teaching at DNF or at the BBC Conservatory in Hawley.

# OCMEA Elementary School Band Conductor



Steve Frank is an adjunct professor at the Setnor School of Music, Syracuse University, where he serves both as a course instructor and evaluator of student teachers. Steve is recently retired from the West Genesee Central School District, Camillus, NY, where he was responsible for the band program at Stonehedge and East Hill elementary schools as well as directing the West Genesee High School Jazz Band, and from Onondaga Community College, where he directed the OCC Jazz Band.

He studied as a trombone performance major at the doctoral level at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y. and holds a M.M. in Music Performance from Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio, and a B.M. in Music Education from the Crane School of Music, Potsdam, New York. Among his many awards and honors, Steve was inducted into the Syracuse Area Music Awards (SAMMY) Hall Of Fame as the 2010 Music Educator of the year, and in 2002 he was honored as an "Outstanding Music Educator in the field of Instrumental Music- Band" by the musicians of the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra.

As a free-lance professional trombonist, Steve has performed and recorded with groups as diverse as the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra, the Detroit Concert Band (Leonard B. Smith, director), the rock band La La Land, and a host of jazz and swing bands. He is also a published composer and arranger, with compositions for elementary concert band (Alfred Music Publishing, C. L. Barnhouse Company) and for trombone (Kagarice Brass Editions). His instrumental music supplement series, <a href="The Good Book">The Good Book</a> (Frankenbush Publishing), has been used for years by music teachers across New York State. Steve's composition "Variations on Barnacle Bill, the Sailor" has been performed and recorded by trombonists from around the world, including Charlie Vernon, bass trombonist with the Chicago Symphony.

Music is the universal language, which establishes a common bond among all subjects and people. It evokes passionate emotions in the heart and rekindles vibrant memories of the mind. What an enormous impact music has on every aspect of our lives!

# OCMEA Elementary School All-County Orchestra

#### Violin I

Serena Yeddu, G Olivia Nosarzewski, WV Madalyn Thiriot, WP Yoomin Sung, MW Ana Marie Loter, G Michael Zhou, MW Dominick Juliano, MW Alex Monastersky, MW Richard Deng, MW Jolina Dong, G Aniya Gonzalez, M Eesha Ramanathan, G Matthew Ou. MW Anne Mangatt, MW Takeshi Yasuda, MW Stella Petullo, WP Lauren Carroll, G Madison Brown, W Grace Donelly, Tux Grace Connelly-Nolan, WV

Cello Eliana Moore, WP Tyler Reed, C Jonathan Subocz, MW Charissa Logan, G Jeffrey Shi, WV Alexa Thomas, MW Liliana King, WV Isabella Flores, WV Tina Schuh, MW Madeline Williams, MW Emerson Barth, C Adrian Cueva, MW Molly Foley, MW Marisa Ely, MW Matei Stoica, MW Isabella Bobea, M Tejpaul Chilana, M Michael Young, G Kaitlin Bou, G Riley Mariani, MW Isabella Moore, WP

#### Violin II

Gabrielle Paulino, MW Neena Bisconti, MW Casey Steiner, C Kiran Foster, G Evan Norat, N Norah Staunton, G Brandon Avecilla, MW David Persaud, MW Matthew Bellanich, MW Patton Lee, MW Jacqueline Patino, MW Elicia Seward, MW Isaac Hong, MW Joshua Kurtz, N Zara Rahman, MW Akshaya Ramachandran, MW Alexandra Butkevich, MW Marisa Arone, MW Nicholas Alappat, MW Diya Sethi, MW

#### Viola

Holly Paterno, MW Alexis Leone, MW Jasmine Ngo, N Lindsey Winters, MW Ryan Cabral, MW Amanda Piazza, MW Grace Andren, MW Lauren Lamm, MW Maymunah Islam, N Shreva Girish, MW Olivia Holland, WV Samantha McElrov, MW DaJahnae Saddler, M Oliver Jibb, M Vivian Lam, M Hunter Roberts, G Marley Vaught, Tux Amy Nunez, MW

#### Bass

Michael Balducci, MW Markus Leitner, MW Ryan Smith, MW Ryan Kilgore, C David Fennessy, MW Gabrielle Greer, MW Katie Scully, MW Dylan Page, MW Matthew Gorlin, MW Abby Connolly, MW

# OCMEA Elementary School All-County Chorus B

#### Soprano

Roxanne Aclin, G Colin Ahearn. G Elijah Balaga Mercado, N Hayley Batewell, MV Olivia Benker, G Kelsi Berghahn, MV Amelia Bohr, MV Krista Bucci. Ch Stephanie-Rose Cohen, MV Mia Colangelo, G Iezabell Cuello, N Brandy Davis, GL Keira Davis, MV Gabriella Franqui, PB Olivia Franqui, PB Kaylee Gadol, MV

Sophia Gannon, G Madison Gerace, MV Cassidy Glynn, N Alexander Gomez, N Ivv Ha, MV Fernando Hidalgo, PB Alyse Izzo, MV Ava Kirschke, F Stephanie Linares, PB Jason McNamara, MV Ashlyn Memon, N Rvlee Merli. N Regina Moore, Ch Alyssa Neilson, MV Meryl Palinkas, PB Sarah Pallay, PB

Leila Pazos, N Kavla Pelsue, N Kashmini Persaud. N Aaliyah Ramirez, N Ariel Ramirez, N Lucia Ramirez Molino, N Angelo Reade, N Nina Rodriguez, PB Sofia Roldan, GL Emiliana Rolon, PB Isabella Tammone, N Rilev Tippin, G Kailyn Turner, N Isabella Tuscano, WV Lizbeth Varela-Cordero, GL Lianna Vargas, Ch

#### Alto

Anabella Almeida, PB Charles Babcock, G Kate Bautista, PB Sofia Benites, N Angelique Briggs, N Lindsey Cardoso, N Saleste Chico, PB Mia Christie, PB William Christy, GL Madison Conklin, PB Tatum Connolly-Wazewski, N Kylee Cozart, N Stephanie Daly, N Gabriella DeMatteo, G Abigail Ferraro, Ch Kylie Giakoumis, MV Mahogany Grant, N Marion Gray, N Faith Harvey, PB Sicily Henry, N Gabriella Hernandez, PB

Alessandra Hickey, N Ellie Hoppe, PB Andre Jenkins, Ch Summer Kayser, GL Zoe Kelly, F Emma Koenig, MV India Latta, PB Itzayana Martinez, N Milton Martinez, N Alayvia Mendoza, MV Jesse Morse, PB Emily Neillands, MV Alex Norwood, MV Marina Parodo, N Alexandra Parr, PB Victoria Perez. N Sauvelene Ploycarpe, N Jonah Podgorsky, MV Alysa Ramirez, N Jimena Ramirez, N Gianna Ratuis, G

Grace Rubacek, MV Isabella Sabillon, N Grace Salsbury, PB Jonathan Samse, MV Nicholas Santantonio, F Kiara Sevilla, N Pietro Siena, MV Jaier Smith, N Jakari Smith, N Javsha Smith, PB Evalise Soberall, G Miles Terranova, PB Makaila Trellis, N Saige Valentino, PB Abigail Valladares, N Jaedden Waldo, G Amelia Walker, N Alyssa Williams, N Jordyn Worner, PB



# OCMEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR



Matthew Rotjan is an active music educator committed to cultivating excitement and enthusiasm in music and education. As a public school music educator, he is on staff in the South Orangetown Central School District (NY), teaching grades 3-8 string lessons and orchestra classes. Since joining the faculty in 2008, he has been selected as LoHud's Educator of the Week, nominated for the 2015 Grammy Music Educator Award, and Quarterfinalist for the 2016 and 2017 Grammy Music Educator Award. His teaching is

inspired by a strong belief that a quality music education offers students not only an opportunity to study an instrument and music, but also a unique social context for student growth.

Outside of his activities in the public school, Matthew works with young musicians in NYC as a conductor of the InterSchool Orchestras of New York's Morningside Orchestra, which has led him to conduct in Trinity Church, Symphony Space, and Carnegie Hall. With a strong commitment to community music-making, he is the cofounder/conductor of the Rockland Youth Orchestra a not-for-profit organization in Rockland County (NY). Matthew has recently written articles, guest conducted, and presented at conferences for the American String Teachers Association, Connecticut Music Educators Association, Nassau County Music Educators Association, National Association for Music Education, New Jersey Music Educators Association, and the Vermont Music Educators Association.

Matthew is a doctoral candidate at Teachers College, Columbia University, where he has been an Instructor and Florence Geffen Scholar. His research explores the complex relationship between student interests and identities, teacher training and philosophy, and repertoire selection processes in public school orchestras. He is actively immersed in connecting theory to practice in music education, string pedagogy, and teacher preparation.

#### OCMEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHORUS B CONDUCTOR



Maureen Stickney graduated with a B.M. from the Crane School of Music, SUNY Potsdam, and a M.S. in Music and Music Education from Teacher's College, Columbia University. Her honors include singing in the National ACDA Collegiate Choir and receiving the "Alumni Music Education" award from SAI (International Music Fraternity for Women). She has been energetically sharing her joy and passion for music and learning for the past 12 years in the Beacon City School District.

Mrs. Stickney has conducted elementary choir, middle school choir, high school choir and the all female choir, "Phoenix Club" under the guidance of Dr. Rebecca Reames at the Crane School of Music, though she has spent most of her years teaching middle school and elementary school general music and chorus. She has created and led a select choir at the middle school level, where she also directed the musicals as well. At the high school, her student's attended and achieved at the NYSSMA solo festivals, leading them to All-County, Area All-State and All-State festivals. She was also the proud vocal director for the musical productions. She is an active member of DCMEA (Dutchess County Music Educators Association), and has been the chairperson for 3 choral All-County festivals, and is excited to be sharing this experience with the students of Orange County. She resides with her husband Tom, and infant son in Montgomery, NY.

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