

Get your tickets now for 'A Notable Celebration of the Arts'

'Music Fest' opens program season on Oct. 11

The first program of the DGMC season will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, October 11 as part of the Downers Grove Public Library/DGMC Concert Series. "Music Fest," which will feature performances on the piano, violin and French horn, will be held in the first-floor meeting room of the Downers Grove Library.

Reservations are highly recommended for Concert Series programs to ensure seats for all who wish to attend. You may register on-line on the DGMC Event Calendar by clicking the RSVP button next to the concert or by calling the library at 630-960-1200.

Music Fest

7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2016

Downers Grove Public Library

1050 Curtiss Street, Downers Grove

Intermezzo in A, Op. 118, No. 2

Johannes Brahms

Jelena Mihajlovic, piano
2nd place Senior Piano Festival winner

Reverie
Rustle of Spring, Op.32, No.3

Claude Debussy
Christian Sinding

Alice Cummings, piano

Romance in G Major, No. 1

Ludwig van Beethoven

Jen Leckie, violin
Chris Garofalo, piano

La Cathédrale engloutie
Reflets dans l'eau

Claude Debussy
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Chris Garofalo, piano

Concerto for Horn, Op. 8

Franz Strauss

Sarah Younker, French horn
Charlotte Ewing, piano

4th annual 'A Notable Celebration of the Arts' to feature benefit concert, silent auction, dessert reception

Tickets are now on sale for "A Notable Celebration of the Arts," which will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, November 5 at First Congregational Church, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove.

The fourth annual concert, auction and reception will benefit the DGMC's Student Music Awards, which are presented each spring to musically talented high school juniors and seniors.

The concert will feature performances by Angela Presutti Korbitz, Amelia Korbitz, Jim Molina, Chris Garofalo and 2016 Rising Star winner Brianna Imgruet. A dessert reception catered by J. Fleming's Absolutely Delicious and a silent auction featuring an assortment of fabulous packages will complete the evening.

New this year is an electronic bidding system that will ease the participation of patrons by allowing them to bid and monitor the status of their favorite items using a cell phone or tablet. Winning bidders will be able to pay by phone and claim their items without the need for paperwork.

Participation is easy: During the online registration process you will be asked to enter your cell phone number, which also becomes your unique bidder identification number. This will automatically register you into the bidding system.



The electronic bidding system also will allow those who are unable to attend the event to bid remotely via cell phone and will allow potential bidders to familiarize themselves with the auction offerings prior to November 5. Not technically savvy? Not to worry. A personal shopper will be assigned to you at the event to help you participate in the auction. Feel free to contact Charlotte Ewing at 630-251-0945 or vp-art@downersgrovemusicclub.org if you have any questions.

Tickets to A Notable Celebration of the Arts are available on the DGMC website for a donation of \$20 until November 1, when the price will increase to \$25. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Please welcome Jane Grupe of Batavia, the DGMC's newest member.

Student Music Award winners send thanks to Gloria Salazar and the Downers Grove Music Club

Thank you for choosing me as a Music Club Rising Stars award recipient! I feel extremely honored to be a recipient and be a part of this event. I am excited for the opportunity to play with Mr. Garofalo as my accompanist, not only in April, but at the DGMC benefit in November I was invited to as well.

Thanks again,
Brianna Imgruet

Thank you so much for selecting me as a recipient of the Rising Star Award. I am very grateful and honored to receive this recognition. Music is an extremely large part of my life and I intend to pursue it further after high school. I plan on using this \$400 scholarship towards my tuition at the Birch Creek Music Festival this summer.

This camp is an intensive two-week music festival where I will be able to play orchestral and chamber music alongside other musicians and faculty. What sets Birch Creek apart from other camps is that the staff constantly works with the students. They play side-by-side with us during concerts, and when they are not playing with us, they're coaching us. Every day provides sectionals, master classes, rehearsals, and chamber music. The repertoire that we will be working on is also at an extremely caliber. For example, some of the pieces we'll be playing include Beethoven's 3rd Symphony, Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet, Debussy's La Mer, and Strauss's Also sprach Zarathustra. I am really looking forward to the camp and I know it will further enhance my music education.

Thank you again for the generous gift and I look forward to learning more about the Downers Grove Music Club throughout the year and performing during the Rising Stars program to be held in April 2017.

Sincerely,
Kristina Mucha

Have you paid your membership dues?

October is the month to bring your membership dues current.

Dues are \$30 for individuals, \$35 for families, \$10 for students, and \$60 for ensembles and organizations.

They may be paid at the October 11 program or mailed to the Downers Grove Music Club, P.O. Box 551, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

Members will receive the 2016-17 Membership Directory when they pay their dues.

Those interested in membership in DGMC can visit the club's website to download an application.

Organizations and Events

Acappellago: Dennis Smith, director. Visit www.Acappellago.org or phone (708)484-3797 ext 2.

Cantores Community Choir: This non-audition group is open to anyone high school age and older who enjoys singing, wants to learn more about music and wants to perform a wide range of musical styles and genres. Under the direction of Belford Hernandez, this choir performs a wide variety of four-part musical literature and styles. Cantores Community Choir is a member of DGMC. For more information, call (630)999-1190 or visit www.cantorescc.org.

Downers Grove Choral Society: Visit www.dgcs.org.

Grant Street String Quartet: This quartet was formed in 2010 by four professional musicians in the western suburban area of Chicago. It is based in Downers Grove and is a member of DGMC. For more information, please visit www.grantstreetstringquartet.weebly.com.

Pianoforte Foundation: Thomas Zoells, executive director, and owner of the PianoForte Chicago piano store. Visit www.pianofortefoundation.org for information on upcoming piano concerts. At noon on the first Friday of every month, listen to the Pianoforte Salon Series Live on WFMT 98.7 FM or enjoy the live performance at the new home of PianoForte Studios, 1335 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Sinfonietta Bel Canto: Dan Pasquale D'Andrea, director. Concerts are held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5211 Carpenter St., DG. Individual tickets are available at the door. Single tickets are \$22 adults, \$19 seniors and \$7 students under 21, children six and under free (\$2 discount for advanced purchases). For more details, visit www.SinfoniettaBelCanto.org or call 630-384-5007.

Village Voices: This group was founded in 2006 by Director Marilyn Wilgocki. It includes 32 singers. Their music includes spirituals, gospel tunes, jazz, Broadway show songs, folk music and other lighthearted choral music. For further information contact Marilyn at 630-971-1594 or visit www.villagevoicesdg.org.

The Downers Grove Music Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization.

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