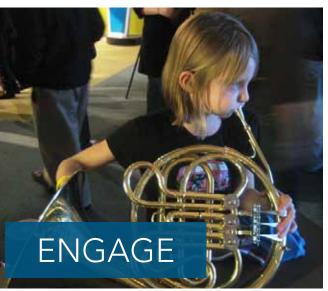
Education and Community Programs







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HARTFORD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA'S EDUCATION GOALS

ENGAGE STUDENTS IN HIGH QUALITY MUSIC LEARNING EXPERIENCES

EDUCATE STUDENTS THROUGH INTERACTIVE AND COLLABORATIVE MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

ENLIVEN STUDENTS THROUGH THE TRANSFORMING EXPERIENCE OF LIVING MUSIC

ENRICH STUDENTS THROUGH A SEQUENTIAL PATH OF MUSICAL EXPLORATION

The Hartford Symphony Orchestra's education programs engage students in high-quality music learning experiences, develop relationships with the community, and increase support for music education at the school level.

The HSO offers a broad spectrum of musical activities to engage, educate, enliven and enrich our community and believes in the profound and transforming experience of living music.

LINCOLN FINANCIAL DISCOVERY SERIES

Discovery Concerts are innovative school-day concerts held at The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts that illuminate classical music for students while incorporating important academic areas. The cost per ticket is \$10 for each concert.



PRESTO, MAMBO!

WED, OCTOBER 28, 2015, 10:30 A.M.

Audiences rise to their feet, dancing to the rhythms of Latin America. With the help of his new friend, Mambo the dog, the orchestra and the audience - young Max learns the magic of Latin rhythms and how to "dance" with the music.

EXPLORING EMOTIONS

WED, MARCH 23, 2016, 9:45 A.M. AND 11:30 A.M. Human emotions, or the way we react internally to the outside world, can directly affect our ability to talk, think, learn or even move! One of the most wonderful ways to experience emotion is through music. Exploring Emotions will feature music that makes us feel happy, sad, afraid, surprised or hopeful.

THE COMPOSER IS DEAD

WED, APRIL 20, 2016, 10:30 A.M.

The composer is dead and his death was very suspicious. So, we've brought in a special inspector to investigate our orchestral ranks in search of suspects. This whodunit



musical mystery by Nathaniel Stookey and Lemony Snicket will whimsically interrogate the orchestra before your students' eyes.

LINK UP: THE ORCHESTRA MOVES

TUES, MAY 3, 2016, 10:30 A.M.

Students and teachers in grades 3-5 embark on a yearlong exploration to discover what makes music move by learning the ways that composers and musicians play with melody, rhythm, and harmony. This culminating performance gives students the opportunity to sing and play recorder with the Hartford Symphony Orchestra, performing the repertoire that they have practiced throughout the year. The Orchestra Moves is a program from Carnegie Hall's Link Up curriculum.

Please note that this event is only available for selected Hartford Public Schools.

SYMPHONY IN THE SCHOOLS

Symphony in the Schools is a series of educational concerts that brings Hartford Symphony Orchestra chamber ensembles into the classroom for interactive and collaborative performances. The ensembles play with themes such as history, math, literacy, and, of course, music.

HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY

THE TWO-FROG DUO

Ever wonder how a violin is made? What exactly is the bow made out of? The Two-Frog Duo will introduce students to the string family and examine what makes a violin a violin. Join them as they perform music from various parts of the world and explain how each of these places has impacted the making of the violin. The program is enhanced with a PowerPoint presentation that brings to life the journey the group takes around the world. Works include Piazzolla, Shostakovich, Telemann and a piece from the movie "Madagascar." RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES K-5

THE WOODWIND QUARTET

The Woodwind Quartet introduces students to the instruments of the woodwind family by taking a musical voyage around the world. The musicians will have their map ready to show students their journey as they learn about the composers, where they are from, and how their music is influenced by that culture. Each musician will teach students about the instrument they play (clarinet, flute, oboe, bassoon), including the mechanics behind playing the instrument, what it's made from, and more. RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES K-8

A PIACERE STRING QUARTET

The A Piacere String Quartet presents a dynamic review of various musical periods (from Vivaldi to Penderecki) accentuated with a diverse set of examples. Depending on the age of the audience, this group explores interdisciplinary art relationships and historical context or provides more rudimentary insight into the works performed. RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES 6-12

THE CLASSICAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

The Classical Jazz Ensemble will explore how musical forms such as rhythm, improvisation, etc., can change how one experiences a piece of music. Learn about some of the most influential jazz composers and how they contributed to the history of jazz. Hear music from New Orleans, find out what Switzerland and the Wild West have in common, and see if you can recognize some popular tunes with a Jazz twist. RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES K-12

ENGLISH & LANGUAGE ARTS

THE HARTFORD SYMPHONY STRING QUARTET

The HSO String Quartet's "Sights and Sounds" program will examine storytelling and how composers used images and poetry to create music. Students will explore how music can transport us to different times and places, from a beautiful spring day setting to the exciting lands of Spain.Learn how each individual instrument becomes a character within a musical landscape and how they shape each story. The program is enhanced with a PowerPoint presentation to showcase these different settings. After each performance, students will be asked to create drawings that may be included in the quartet's program throughout the year. The program includes works from Bach, Vivaldi, Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Turina, and Mendelssohn.

RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES 3-8



THE MOSAIC STRING TRIO

The Mosaic String Trio uses literature, music, and art to explore how we express ourselves. The ensemble will perform a mix of music by Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, and Schnittke, and a diverse mix of cultural, folk, and popular music. The program is enhanced with a PowerPoint presentation that showcases the world's great masterpieces of art, architecture, and literature. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions and participate as music makers on rhythm instruments with the ensemble.

RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES 1-8

THE WIND QUINTET

The Wind Quintet explores how each instrument can create a new character and dynamic in music. Join the quintet as they demonstrate how they can embody a different character based on what kind of music they are playing. The program includes works from Ligeti, Bizet, Tchaikovsky, and Beethoven. RECOMMENDED FOR GRADES 1-8

This Ensemble has a different program for high school students. Please contact us for details.

SYMPHONY IN THE COMMUNITY

In addition to playing in the schools, the seven HSO small ensembles also perform in the community! Together, the Two-Frog Duo, A Piacere String Quartet, Woodwind Quartet, Classical Jazz Ensemble, Hartford Symphony String Quartet, Mosaic String Trio, and Wind Quintet offer an exciting variety of programs for our veteran music-lovers as well.

MUSICAL DIALOGUES SERIES

Musical Dialogues is a unique series of concerts that are free and open to the public, which not only presents music performed by Hartford Symphony Orchestra musicians, but also provides audience members an opportunity to engage in dialogue with the musicians.

MUSICIANS CARE PROJECT

Musicians Care Project is a community engagement initiative of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra and seeks to enhance the quality of life for people of all ages whose healthcare needs prevent them from taking part in traditional music performances by providing live, interactive musical experiences.



INSTRUMENT ZOO

The HSO Instrument Zoo gives children the opportunity to see, hear, touch, and play in an exploration of the four families of the orchestra. Dedicated teaching artists, volunteers, and HSO staff engage young audiences in this musical laboratory.













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