Welcome to the 23rd Season of the Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony

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Fall Concert Guest Soloist

Jonathan Daly will be the guest soloist for the Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony Fall 2011 Concert. Jonathan is currently the Orchestra Director at Parkside Junior High School as well as a cello instructor in the Illinois Wesleyan University School of Music String Preparatory Department. He holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Illinois Wesleyan University where he studied cello under Dr. Nina Gordon. In 2010, Jonathan was one of the winners of Illinois Wesleyan University’s Annual Henry Charles Memorial Concerto/Aria Competition. He started playing cello in the fifth grade in the Unit 5 string program, graduating from Normal Community High School in 2007. Jonathan performed with the Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony for six years and holds many fond memories of these times.

Welcome New Members!

BNYS is pleased to welcome the following new members:

Quinten Breach  
Madison Collins  
Madison Dong  
Justin Erickson  
Sam Fansler

Elizabeth Fansler  
Jonathan Fong  
Lily Hahn-Sittig  
Tyler Harr  
Ryan Helenthal

Melody Kramme  
Preston Sheridan  
Abby Sire  
Christina Su
**Young Artist Solo Competition**

This competition will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at Illinois Wesleyan University. It is open only to Junior and Senior members of the BNYS who were members the previous year. One student will be selected to perform with the symphony at the Spring Concert. The winner receives scholarship money, and a runner-up may also win scholarship money. Forms will be available on the BNYS Website and due on February 13, 2012.

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**Illinois Prairie Community Foundation Grant**

The Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony is the proud recipient of a $1,000 Illinois Prairie Community Foundation grant, which was used to sponsor a workshop night on Monday, October 17, 2011. The grant enabled us to bring outstanding clinicians to work with sections of the orchestra on music that we are preparing for our November 22nd concert.

A highlight of the workshop evening was the chance for students to work under the direction of Illinois Wesleyan University Professor of Music Steve Eggleston, conductor of the IWU Civic Orchestra and IWU Wind Ensemble. Professor Eggleston is a guest conductor and clinician throughout the United States and has conducted multiple Illinois and Indiana All-State orchestras and bands. For many years he has conducted the orchestra for the State Farm and Music Shoppe “Sounds of Christmas” holiday concert. The first half of the evening Mr. Eggleston worked with the winds and percussion sections, while the strings concentrated on difficult sections of their music with specialists.

Dr. William Koehler, Illinois State University String Bass Professor and well-known string bass clinician, worked with the string bass section during the first half of the evening; Aryc Lane, Master’s degree cellist at ISU, worked with the cello section, while Mrs. Bryant worked with the upper strings. The grant money allowed BNYS to make use of space at Normal Community West High School to accommodate these sectionals.

Dr. Angelo Favis, classical guitarist and ISU music faculty member, was our guest performer for the enrichment segment of the workshop. Dr. Favis gave our members a chance to see and hear an instrument commonly played for accompaniment become a great musical experience; his wonderful talent truly transcends all musical boundaries.

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**Seating Auditions**

Thank you to the seating audition judges who listened to our members and determined a seating order for the year. This year our judges were Kimberly Martin Boyd, Chris Frey, Bob Gallagher, Stephanie Kinzinger, Barb Lemmon, and Frank Payton. These auditioners took great care in determining the outcome and were all impressed with the high quality of playing they heard that night.

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**Board of Directors**

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Interested in volunteering? Call 888-NOTE
Westminster Village

Our annual performance at Westminster Village will be on Sunday, November 13, 2011. Call time that night is 6:15 with the performance beginning at 6:30. **Please make sure that you are there at 6:00.** We will not have a warm-up session because of the nature of the venue so we will basically set up and play. The concert will be over by 7:30 because we will not have an intermission or a guest soloist that evening.

**IMPORTANT:** This is a Dress Performance and the orchestra is to wear concert dress. **EVERYONE NEEDS TO BRING A FOLDING STAND as well as their instrument and music.**

The tradition of playing at Westminster Village began the first year of the BNYS and this will be our 23rd concert there. The residents and other community members look forward to this night and the large room is always crowded with audience members. Parents are welcome as well. The residents offer a punch and cookie treat after we play.

**CONCERT DRESS**

**LADIES**

Full black skirt or black dress slacks (slacks only for cello, string bass, English horn, and bass clarinet); black, long-sleeved, dressy blouse (no spaghetti straps); black dress shoes and black pantyhose

**GENTLEMEN**

Black dress pants; white, long-sleeved dress shirt; black or navy, long tie; black dress shoes and black socks

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Photos: BNYS Members during a Monday night rehearsal. Special thanks goes to Michael Cook, the photographer. To view more photos, please visit the BNYS website.
BNYS Calendar

Monday, November 7, 2011
Regular rehearsal at UHS

Sunday, November 13, 2011
Performance at Westminster Village
6:15 Call Time
6:30 Performance

Monday, November 14, 2011
No Rehearsal

Monday, November 21, 2011
Regular rehearsal at UHS
Rehearsal with our soloist

Tuesday, November 22, 2011
Fall Concert
Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall
Illinois Wesleyan University
6:15 Call Time
7:30 Concert

Monday, December 12, 2011
Rehearsal from 7:00-8:00 at UHS
to prepare for ISO concert

Friday, December 16, 2011
Illinois Symphony Concert
Bloomington Center for Performing Arts
TBA Call Time
8:00 Concert

WINTER BREAK
HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Monday, February 13, 2012
First rehearsal for second semester

Wednesday, February 22, 2012
Solo Competition

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Fall Concert

Our Fall Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in Westbrook Auditorium of Presser Hall on the Illinois Wesleyan University campus.

Musical selections for the concert will include:
- Star-Spangled Banner
- Light Cavalry Overture - Franz von Suppé
- Capriccio Espagnol - Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov
- Cello Concerto No. 1 - Dmitri Kabalevsky
- In the Steppes of Central Asia - Alexander Borodin
- Farandole from L'Arlesienne - Georges Bizet
- Selections from “The Wizard of Oz” - Arlen/Sayre

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:
- 6:15 - Call Time
- 7:00 - Clear Stage
- 7:30 - Concert

MUSICIANS NEED TO BRING THEIR FOLDERS.
Folders will be collected so that music for second semester can be ready for you in February. Temporary folders will be used for the ISO music and distributed at the December 12th rehearsal.

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BNYS to Perform at Illinois Symphony Concert

Our seventh side-by-side concert performance with the Illinois Symphony Orchestra will be on Friday, December 16, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts. Call time will be announced at a later date. Please wear concert dress for this event.

Our ONLY rehearsal in December will be on Monday, December 12, 2011 at UHS. Our past experiences at this concert have been terrific! Here is a chance for our talented young musicians to play a concert with professional musicians, be conducted by a renowned conductor, and play in a beautiful concert hall to a huge audience. While this is NOT a required concert for our members, it is certainly a worthwhile and meaningful one.

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