

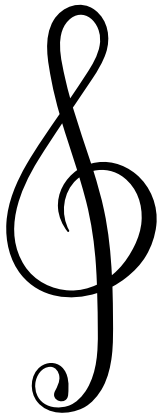


**CLARENCE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS**

# Orchestra Concerto Concert

**MR. DOUGLAS SHAW,**  
**CLARENCE HIGH SCHOOL**  
**SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR**

**APRIL 25, 2023 | 7:00PM**



# Concert Etiquette

**Please follow these guidelines  
for appropriate concert behavior:**

**1. Arrive on time.**

If you are late, please wait until the end of the selection before entering the hall so that latecomers trying to find a seat will not distract the performers and other audience members.

**2. Listen quietly while the performance is taking place.**

Performers and audience members should never be distracted by unnecessary talking and movement.

**3. Applause at the end of a performance.**

Applause should be used only at the completion of a piece of music and that is generally indicated when the conductor's arms are dropped to the side.

**4. Please do not wave or call out to performers.**

Students have worked hard for weeks to prepare for performances. Please do not distract them with improper concert behavior. Applause, as noted above, is the best way to thank the performers.

**5. Stay for the entire performance and wait until the end of the selection to leave.**

If there is an emergency and you must leave before the final performance, please wait until there is a break in the program.

**Please silence your cell phones.**





# Program

*The Black Swan from "The Medium"*

Gian Carlo Menotti  
(1911-2007)

**Colleen Doucette, Soprano**

*Meditation from "Thais"*

Jules Massenet  
(1842-1912)

**Grace Strother, Violin**

*Chanson d'Avril*

Georges Bizet  
(1838-1875)

**Anna Hansen, Soprano**

*Winter from "The Four Seasons"*

Antonio Vivaldi  
(1678-1741)

1. Allegro non molto
2. Largo
3. Allegro

**Noah Servis, Violin**

*Andante and Hungarian Rondo*

Carl Maria von Weber  
(1786-1826)

**Miriam Williams, Viola**

*Legende*

Henryk Wieniawski  
(1835-1880)

**Hana Pastuhova, Violin**

*Violin Concerto in d minor*

Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

1. Allegro molto appassionato

**Jazmin Gomez, Violin**

*Concerto #1 for Cello and Orchestra*

Dmitri Shostakovich  
(1906-1975)

1. Allegro

**Jonathan Yi, Cello**



# Symphony Orchestra

## Violin 1

Samantha Gawron  
Jazmin Gomez  
Grace Strother  
Hana Pastuhova  
Anna Cahoon  
Gianna Hallam  
Sienna Liu  
Emma Weglarski  
Isaac Swart  
Colleen Doucette  
Dylan Quilachamin  
Gabrielle Burkhardt  
Angelina Fetterly  
Violet Beyer  
Ryan Chen  
Sarah Reid  
Sydney Arnold  
Madelyn Stashak  
Cameron Sproull  
Alana Marcinkowski  
Elena Ras

## Violin 2

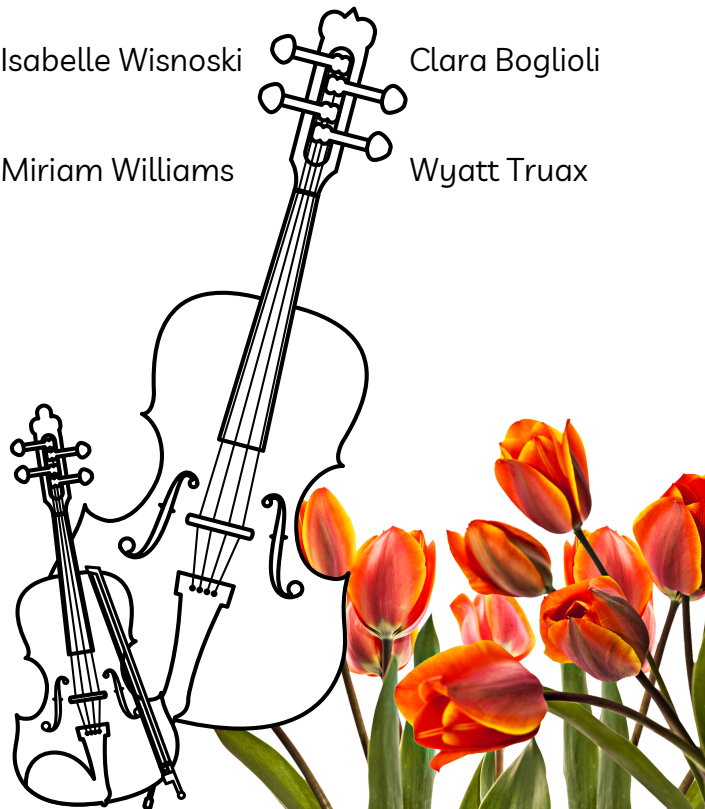
Saachvir Singh  
Noah Servis  
Ryan Belanger  
Hannah Zang  
Gia Truong  
Reese Grady  
Adriana Colafranceschi  
Nikolas Freeburg  
Chloe McKeever  
Madeline Heckman  
Lily Bixby  
Evelyn Strother  
Kaitlyn Landis  
Dominic DiGiacomo  
Christina Bojdak  
Nora Palka  
Ashley Otterstein  
Samreet Kaur  
Alexus Seitz  
Jenna Paradowski

## Viola

Sadie LaDelfa  
Aurora Sandner  
Isabella Buck  
Anna Hansen  
Caden Rosen  
Abigail Morelli  
Brooke Friedman  
Jacob Clinard  
Andrew Tareen  
Isabelle Wisnoski  
Miriam Williams

## Cello

Jonathan Yi  
Grace Kinnan  
Emily Priset  
Kevin Zou  
Zachary Walline  
Lillian Post  
Clara Lahti  
Lea Hendler  
William Baehre  
Clara Boglioli  
Wyatt Truax



**Flowers are the Music of the Earth**



# Symphony Orchestra (Cont'd.)

## Bass

Kyle Priset

Hannah Farley

Lillian Lewinski

Christian Lee

Soteris Modeas

Niklas Ferger

Julia Chiaino

Jack Sorensen

Emily McLouth

## Flute

Verity Szczepanski

Alexis Fitscher

## Bassoon

Austin Vitello

Jack Bova

## Horn

Victoria Ieda

Laura Kreher

## Oboe

Marissa Persons

Katie Johnson

## Contrabassoon

Jack Bova

## Timpani

Logan Tendorf

## Clarinet

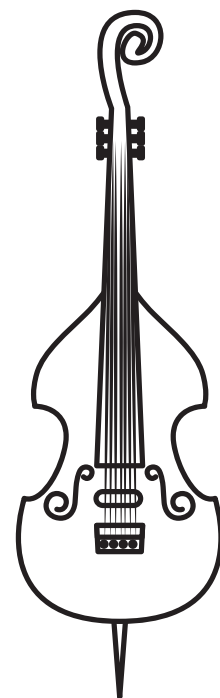
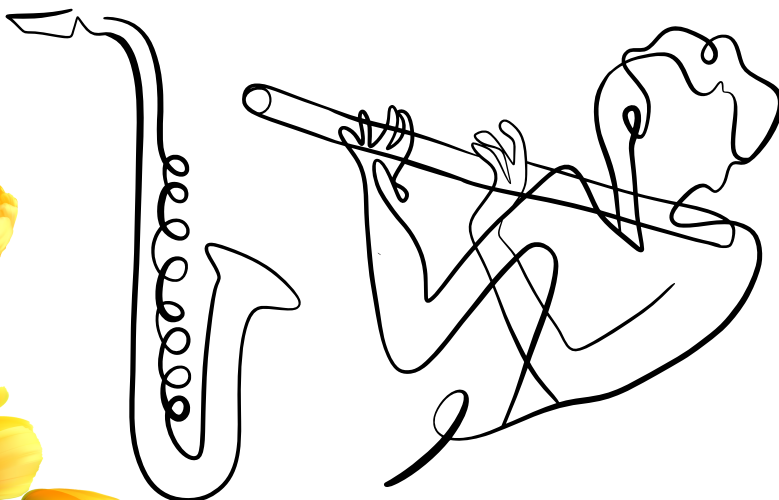
Caroline Johnson

Halley Juron

## Trumpet

Nathan Grek

Erik Michel



# Soloist Biographies

## *Colleen Doucette*

Soprano Colleen Doucette began playing violin in 4th grade, and at age 15 began her vocal journey. She studies under Maria Goodrich through Community Music School. She has performed with the Westminster Presbyterian Church Choir. She is the President and Student Conductor of Mixed Chorus, and participates in Chorale, Treble and the Drama Club. She has participated in numerous Clarence High School musicals and plans to study music education in college.





# Soloist Biographies

## *Jazmin Gomez*

Jazmin Gomez has always loved music and has pursued the violin since a young age. As a violinist, she has played in numerous ensembles throughout her life; these include county, school, pit, and community service-related orchestras. Outside of music, she enjoys playing various sports, leading her to participate in many school sports teams. Having found an interest in engineering, Jazmin has taken several PLTW engineering classes allowing her to discover software engineering and her passion for coding. She will attend University at Buffalo's Honors College in the fall, pursuing a Major in Computer Science. She would love to thank Mr. Shaw, Mrs. Runfola, and her parents for encouraging her love of music and for all their patience.



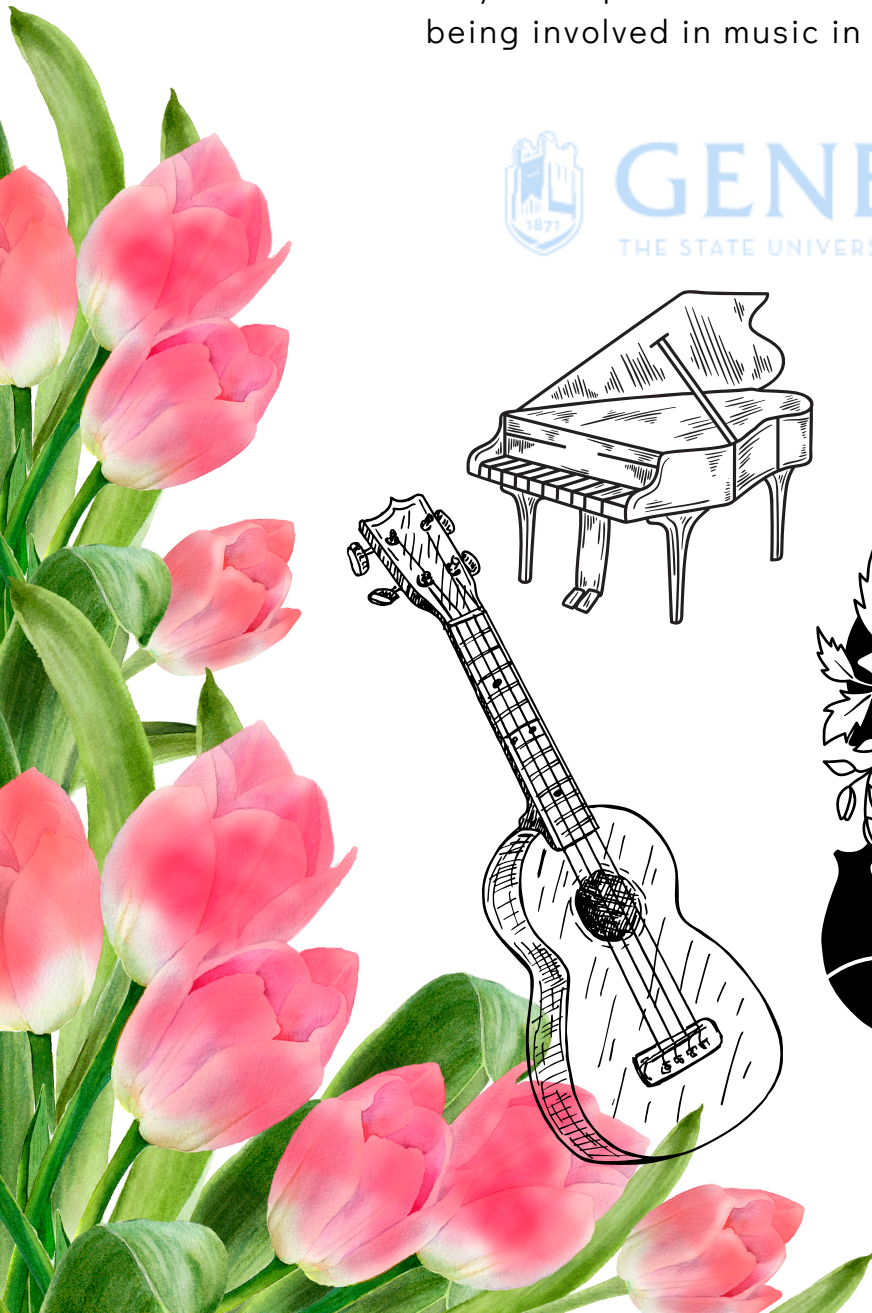
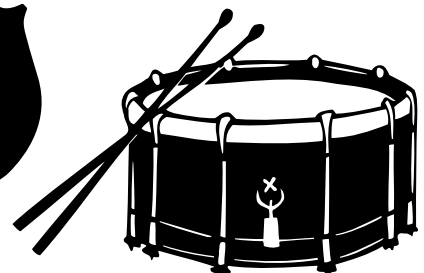
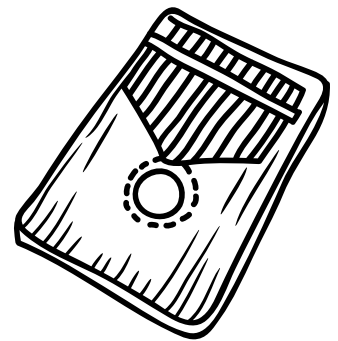
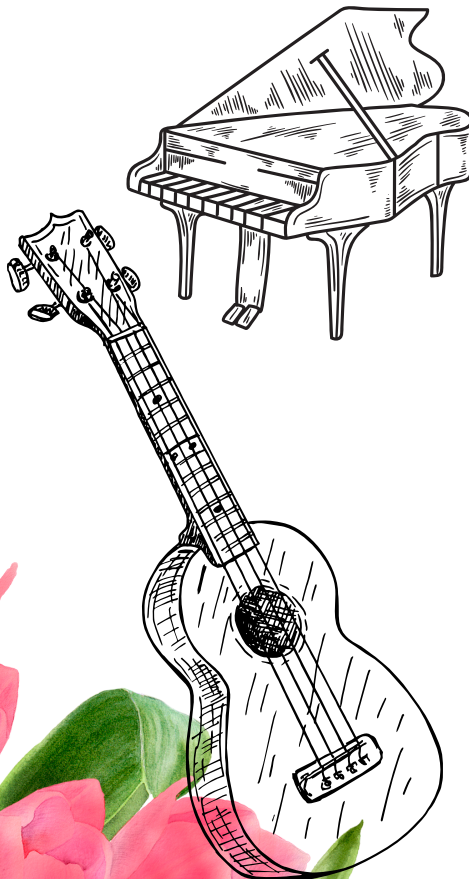
# Soloist Biographies

## *Anna Hansen*

Anna Hansen has been a part of orchestra as a violist for nine years. Along with viola, she plays piano, ukulele, drums, kalimba, and intends to learn many more instruments. She also loves to sing, and is involved in chamber choir, bella voce, vocal jazz, treble chorus (section leader and officer in it), chorale (assistant section leader), and has been doing musicals since third grade. She has auditioned for and participated numerous times in both All-County and Area-All State chorus. She would like to thank Mr. Shaw, Mrs. Fetterly, her parents, friends, and all of her other music teachers for helping her get to where she is musically. She will be going to SUNY Geneseo next year to pursue mathematics education, and she will continue being involved in music in college and beyond.



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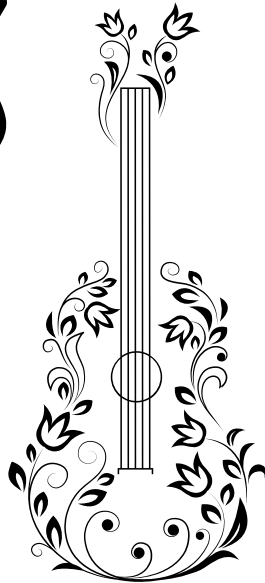




# Soloist Biographies

## *Hana Pastuhova*

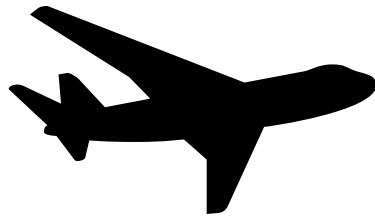
In addition to the violin, Hana Pastuhova plays piano, guitar, and does classical voice. After high school, she plans to major in anesthesia and plastic surgery and begin her studies at Canisius College. Holding music sacred to her, Hana hopes to continue progressing with her musicianship skills after school. She would like to acknowledge her grandfather who lovingly strengthened her passion with music and her faith. She would also like to thank her parents, who continually motivated her to try her best in everything and shape her into the person she can be. Last but not least, she is extremely grateful for her orchestra teacher, Mr. Shaw, who helped her become a more confident and expressive person.



# Soloist Biographies

## *Noah Servis*

Noah Servis has been playing the violin for almost 9 years. He has a passion for music, orchestra, sports (such as rifle), and most importantly, aviation. In a few years he will be one of the pilots on our future flights. With over 70 flight hours and almost 200 takeoffs and landings to date, he will continue to complete flight training throughout college and become an airline pilot. Aviation has been a major part of his life ever since he could remember. He shows the importance of succeeding and having a correct, positive mindset. Noah plans to continue playing in orchestras during his journey through college, and even thereafter. He is a good person to be around and has a sense of seriousness when it comes to his passion.



# Soloist Biographies

## *Grace Strother*

Grace Strother is a graduating senior at Clarence High School. She has enjoyed her time playing in Clarence's Symphonic Orchestra and chamber orchestra. She has been playing the violin for 14 years. She currently studies under Eloisa Raffel at Suzuki Violinists of WNY, where she has been since 2015. Through SVWNY, she became a practice partner for young violin students. She adores being able to share her love for music. In her free time, Grace enjoys volunteering, playing volleyball, and going to the gym. Being a volunteer firefighter has been one of Grace's favorite endeavors. Grace would like to thank Eloisa Raffel for her time, passion, and the valuable lessons she has shared. Grace feels lucky to have learned from such an amazing person and musician. Grace also wants to thank Mr. Shaw for an incredible four years at Clarence and his constant dedication to his students. In the Fall, Grace will be attending SUNY Brockport to pursue a four-year nursing degree. Her favorite quote to live by is, "No matter what happens in life, be good to people. Being good to people is a wonderful legacy to leave behind."-Taylor Swift



Suzuki Violinists  
of WNY

SUNY Brockport





# Soloist Biographies

## *Miriam Williams*

Miriam Williams has been playing viola for the past nine years and is currently studying with Mrs. Leslie Bahler. She has auditioned and participated numerous times for ECMEA and Area All-State Orchestra. She participates in Chamber Orchestra and has been known to play with Concert Orchestra if she has a free period fifth period. Her love of music and the arts extends to dance. She's been dancing since she was three and can be found at the studio nearly every day after school. She also participates in numerous extracurriculars including Book Club, Science Olympiads, National Honors Society, her church's youth group and serves as President of Garden Club. Next year she will be attending Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. She would like to thank Mr. Shaw, Mrs. Bahler, her family and friends for their support and encouragement of her music.



**Brigham Young University**

# Soloist Biographies

## *Jonathan Yi*

Jonathan Yi is currently a senior at Clarence High School and studies with David Ying. Jonathan started the cello at the age of 7, studying with Keiko Ying, and is a student in the Eastman Community Music School's Precollege Diploma with Honors Program, where he has also studied chamber music with Janet Milnes and Elinor Freer. Jonathan was a finalist for NPR's From the Top Learning and Media Lab Fellowship and the runner-up at the Heddy Kilian Empire State competition. He has also performed in chamber music masterclasses with David Ying and Renee Jolles, and in a solo masterclass with Thomas Landschoot. Next year, he will be a freshman at Northwestern University where he plans to major in Cello Performance and Cognitive Science. He would like to thank his parents, Mr. Shaw, and Professor Ying for their support throughout his high school music career.



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# Director's Biography

## *Mr. Douglas Shaw*

Douglas Shaw is a native of Western New York and is currently in his twenty-seventh year as the Director of the Clarence High School Symphony, Concert and Chamber Orchestras. He holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from Penn State University and a bachelor's and master's degree in music education from SUNY at Buffalo.

Mr. Shaw is the cellist of the Oakgrove Quartet, which has played in Bermuda and Yellowstone National Park in addition to frequent appearances around Western New York. Mr. Shaw is a member of the Erie County Music Educators Association, New York State School Music Association, and Music Educators National Conference. He has performed with the Buffalo Philharmonic, Western New York Chamber Orchestra, Amherst and Cheektowaga Symphonies, Johnny Mathis, Sarah Brightman, and the classic rock band The Who. He has been Chairman of Erie County High School Orchestra for many years and has conducted the Niagara County Junior High and Erie County Elementary and Jr. High Orchestras. He also served as manager and librarian for the Greater Buffalo Youth Orchestra and house manager for the Buffalo Philharmonic.





# Acknowledgements

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## *Thank You*

Thank you all for sharing our music with us this evening.  
We gratefully thank those members of the faculty, staff, and  
administration who have contributed to the success of this  
performance. We also extend our warmest thanks to the students for  
their dedication, as well as parents & guardians for their continued  
encouragement, interest, and support.



**"HAPPY SPRING!"**



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