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SENIORS

Natalie Kwan

San Jose State
University

Arrow Glickrieman

Oberlin College

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April 27th, 2024

Conductor, Rem Djemilev
Assistant Conductor, Ben Spilman

President's Message

Dear YPCO Families,

We are in for another treat, the musicians sound fantastic in practice. And between practices you can hear the improvement, so know that the practice-a-thon from the fall is still paying dividends, diligently each musician is getting better by practicing at home.

This concert is a special one, as we have a couple of our musician's, namely our principal cellist Natalie Kwan, and principal violist Arrow Glickrieman, that are stepping up to college. And as they make this step, we want to stop and recognize their contributions to the orchestra. They have both grown up at YPCO and we are all the better for their leadership and expertise. So at this concert we want to celebrate them both, and congratulate them as they move on to a different chapter in their lives.

With that in mind, we hope you enjoy the fantastic concert in store for you.

Warmest regards,

Bill Card

YPCO Board President



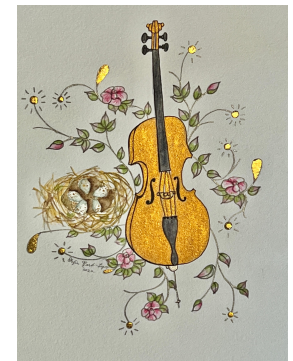
Ben Spilman

Assistant Conductor

Ben Spilman has been with YPCO since 1983, when he brought his seven-year-old daughter, Leah, to her first rehearsal. He offered to help conductor Ellen Mindel tune the students' instruments and stayed on to become an enduring and dearly loved mainstay of our organization.

Ben began playing violin when he was seven, studying first under his father and then with other teachers in the Chicago area. His most influential teacher was here in Berkeley: Vincent DiBianca, a former member of the San Francisco Symphony. Ben has played with a number of local orchestras over the years, including the Berkeley Opera and Berkeley and Vallejo symphonies.

Ben started teaching in 1986 at Ecole Bilingue, the French/English school in Berkeley. Since then, in addition to private students, he has coached string ensembles and sectionals at Malcolm X, Martin Luther King and Le Conte Schools, Berkeley High School, East Bay Suzuki Association group classes, Berkeley Youth Orchestra, Oakland Youth Orchestra, and, of course, YPCO. A man of many talents, Ben also makes fine violins and violas!





Rem Djemilev

Music Director and Conductor

We are particularly lucky to have as our music director and conductor Rem Djemilev, who is well known in the Bay Area for his superior musicianship and wonderful, positive work with young musicians.

Born in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, in the former USSR, Rem Djemilev

began his musical studies at age five and by the age of seven had won first prize in the All-Republican violin competition. Rem went on to study violin at the Moscow Conservatory under the great virtuoso Leonid Kogan and viola under Feodor Druzhinin.

In 1988 he toured the United States as a member of the American-Soviet Youth Orchestra, conducted by Zubin Mehta and Dmitri Kataenko. After graduating from the Moscow Conservatory, Rem moved to the United States. He has toured extensively throughout Europe and the US with the Arlekin String Quartet.

Along with teaching private violin and viola lessons, Rem teaches at the Crowden School in Berkeley. He conducts the Community Arts Youth Orchestra and the Diablo Regional Youth Orchestra in Walnut Creek, and plays in many chamber groups and orchestras in the Bay Area.

YPCO Orchestra Members

Violin

Liam Ahn
Sofia Card-Lopez*
Audrey Calahong-Zamora
Pear Canada
Zifan Chen
Miana Cho
Paolo Claudio
Leelu Corella
Violette Dold
Elise Guymon

Daniel Ishii
Elke Jeffress
Kiri Marshall
Sophia Mehretu
Blue Pinsky
Safiya Philpart
Henry Romano
Olivia Roth-Rossi
Owen Shen
Yufei Shen*

Viola

Arrow Glickrieman*
Sonia Harding

Lily Shahsavari
Rowan Vandervoort Eastwood

Cello

Owen Gettell
Natalie Kwan*

Maxwell Mouat
Noah Yuen

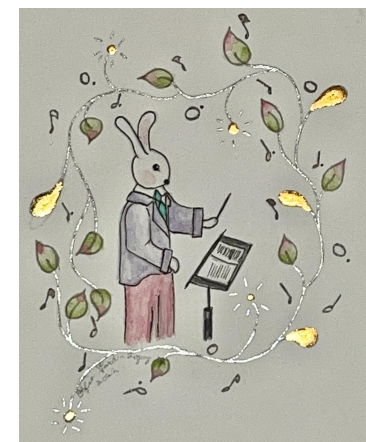
Bass

Mina Jun

Solo performer/composer

*Coach

Section Leader



Thank you for your ongoing



Spring Concert



Venezia - La Second.....P. Martin
Con Moto
Larghetto
Vivace

Introduction and PolonaiseC. Bohm
from "Arabesken," No.12

Owen Shen - solo violin

– INTERMISSION –

Violin Sonata No.3 in F-majorG.F. Handel
2nd movement - Allegro

Henry Romano - solo violin

Symphony No. 39 in G-minor.....J.F. Haydn
Finale - Allegro Molto

The Gazelle (WORLD PREMIERE).....O. Gettell

Elegy for Cello and Strings (Op. 24).....G. Faure

Natalie Kwan - solo cello

La PrécieuseF. Kreisler

Daniel Ishii - solo violin

Courant from Suite No. 2 in D-minor.....J.S. Bach

Yufei Shen - solo viola

Theme from "Schindler's List"J. Williams

Sofia Card-Lopez - solo violin

Tango "Buenos-Aires"P. Martin
from Suite "Going Places"



Thank you Sofia Card-Lopez for your artwork

