

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

The Los Angeles Philharmonic is committed to creating innovative music education programs for people of all ages and backgrounds, to providing access to the world's finest musicians and creative programming, and to serving the increasingly diverse communities of greater Los Angeles. The Los Angeles Philharmonic is also dedicated to providing leadership in music education and to building upon the renewed commitment in Los Angeles public schools to restore arts education for all students.

During the 2007/08 season, the Los Angeles Philharmonic's Education Programs will reach over 100,000 schoolchildren, teachers, families, young musicians, and concert-goers through concerts, participatory music programs in schools, workshops, and events at the Walt Disney Concert Hall, the Hollywood Bowl, and various locations in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles Philharmonic's Community Programs will reach more than 30,000 people through complimentary concerts in Walt Disney Concert Hall and throughout Los Angeles.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

- **Toyota Symphonies for Youth:** The Philharmonic continues its popular *Toyota Symphonies for Youth*, designed for young people and their parents, on Saturday mornings. Conducted by Assistant Conductors Joana Carneiro and Lionel Bringuier, and Conducting Fellow Ward Stare, this series provides innovative and engaging presentations, commentary, and ancillary activities for children and families. Pre-concert activities such as art-making, singing, dancing, and story-telling open this fun-filled and thrilling event.
- **Northrop Grumman Symphonies for Schools–Elementary Students:** Free concerts, held at Walt Disney Concert Hall, introduce elementary schoolchildren to the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Teachers who apply to participate in this program attend a preparatory workshop focusing on curricular integration of the music and receive study materials and a compact disc of the music. The program culminates in unforgettable concerts developed especially for elementary students at Walt Disney Concert Hall.
- **School Partners Program–Elementary Students:** The Los Angeles Philharmonic offers two different elementary school partnership models. The first model consists of twenty week music residencies, providing sequential music learning in percussion for third graders and recorder for fourth graders. The second model consists of six week music residencies, providing historical and cultural context of Los Angeles Philharmonic repertoire and opportunities for student music-making to select third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade classes.
- **Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts Youth Concerts:** The Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts sponsors two Los Angeles Philharmonic concerts designed and presented especially for elementary school children from the San Gabriel Valley. The Los Angeles Philharmonic's Education Department provides students and teachers with preparatory study materials and musical recordings.

PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS

- **Youth Orchestra Partners Program:** Launched in 2006/07, this program provides up to ten local youth orchestras in Los Angeles County with systematic access to the Los Angeles Philharmonic's artistic resources including its musicians, conductors, guest artists and world-class venues. The goal of this program is to cultivate a dynamic partnership between the Los Angeles Philharmonic and Los Angeles County youth orchestras by initiating activities on multiple levels aimed at building artistic and organizational capacity in selected youth orchestras.
- **Northrop Grumman Symphonies for Schools–Secondary Students:** Free concerts, held at Walt Disney Concert Hall, introduce secondary schoolchildren to the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Teachers who apply to participate in this program attend a preparatory workshop focusing on curricular integration of the music and receive study materials and a compact disc of the music. The program culminates in unforgettable concerts developed especially for secondary students at Walt Disney Concert Hall.
- **School Partners Program–Secondary Students:** The Los Angeles Philharmonic's secondary school partnership model consists of teaching artists and Los Angeles Philharmonic musicians partnering with school orchestra teachers to co-create plans for improving school music programs through individual and group instrumental coaching, in addition to sharing professional experiences from the music field.
- **Masterclasses** give music students and educators the exceptional opportunity to attend a masterclass with world-renowned Los Angeles Philharmonic musicians and guest artists. Masterclasses are open to young musicians and present helpful instruction on topics ranging from practice and performance skills to instrumental technique and artistic interpretation.
- **The Bronislaw Kaper Awards:** This competition is an award program for young musicians age 18 and under. The adjudication panel is comprised of Los Angeles Philharmonic musicians, and award winners receive cash prizes. The 2007/08 competition focuses on strings.
- **Fund for Excellence in Diversity:** To develop musicians that mirror the diverse Los Angeles community, the Los Angeles Philharmonic partners with the Young Musicians Foundation and Harmony Project to offer after-school instrumental instruction at selected elementary Los Angeles Philharmonic Partner Schools. Some students may elect to continue private music instruction once they matriculate to middle schools.
- **Open Rehearsals:** Open Rehearsals provide students and teachers with a rare opportunity to watch the Los Angeles Philharmonic in action as it prepares for concert performance. In order to enhance the learning experience, the education department provides participants with information on the repertoire and composers, and information about the rehearsal process. The Partner middle and high school students attend open rehearsals, as do select partners from youth orchestras and universities.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

- **Upbeat Live**, the Philharmonic's popular pre-concert events, is an informative and engaging way to learn about the music before the performance begins. There are over 110 talks by renowned musicologists, panel discussions, and special events held in BP Hall one hour before most concerts at Walt Disney Concert Hall. Upbeat Live is free with the purchase of a concert ticket.
- **Music Education Laboratory** is a year-long professional development program that places Los Angeles Philharmonic teaching artists and musicians in partner schools and community sites. In order to strengthen students' music learning in the classroom, the Philharmonic is committed to training those who work directly with the thousands of students in our School Partners Program. Training focuses on exploring best practices in music education, successful ways that teachers and musicians partner, and the unique role of "artist" in the classroom.
- **LAUSD Music Teacher Clinics** provide masterclass style clinics for K-12 music teachers in the Los Angeles Unified School District, with an opportunity to work with a Los Angeles Philharmonic musician in developing musicianship on a teacher's primary instrument. Clinics are followed by a reception and concert by the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

- **Neighborhood and Community Concerts:** The Philharmonic's concerts in the community include free orchestra, chamber music and jazz concerts in churches, community centers and other local venues around Southern California.
- **The Community Partnership Project** concentrates various Philharmonic programs within one neighborhood. CPP concentrates the Philharmonic's expertise and excellence on one underserved community, currently Pico Union, a community fifteen minutes west of downtown Los Angeles. The program in Pico Union anticipates the building of a Community Center that also will be the site for more programming co-designed with community partners.
- **Community Concert Connections:** Through Community Concert Connections, the Philharmonic distributes complimentary concert tickets to organizations that work with individuals in need, families, youths and seniors who could not otherwise attend concerts. 501 (c) 3 organizations submit a brief application describing whom they serve and, once accepted, receive a set of concert dates from which to request their tickets. At Walt Disney concert Hall, tickets are offered to the *Sounds About Town* series of youth orchestra concerts; at the Hollywood Bowl, tickets are offered for Tuesday and Thursday evening Philharmonic performances.
- **Grand Avenue Festival:** The Los Angeles Philharmonic participates with cultural organizations along Grand Avenue, from the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angeles to the Central Library, and with the Central City Association, to present a free family festival within and around Walt Disney Concert Hall in the fall of each year.

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