



Cabaret 2019 presents

Mark your calendars for the 15th annual Cabaret! The Greenhouse, a new and exciting venue on St. Simons Island, is booked; Halyards will cater a sumptuous three-course dinner; and noted West Coast singer Nick Palance and his talented musicians will provide the evening's entertainment. Ticket information available at coastalsymphonyofgeorgia.org. See more details inside on page 4.

Music of the Night

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything."

Plato

February 2, 2019, will be a night to remember. Please join us at the Symphony Society's festive fundraising event for The Coastal Symphony of Georgia!

Upcoming Events

December 5, Symphony Society Winter Luncheon
Ocean Forest, 11:00 a.m.

December 17, Second Concert of Season
Brunswick High, 8:00 p.m.

January 11, J. McLaughlin Sip and Shop
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

January 26, Guy and the Yehudas
6:30 p.m., J's Boom Boom Room

February 2, Cabaret
The Greenhouse on St. Simons, 6:00 p.m.

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CONCERT NOTES

On December 17, Michelle Merrill gives us a 20th Century work with influences of the Classical Period, music reflecting visual art, and a symphony inspired by Mozart, nature, and a party.

Sergei Prokofiev's *Symphony No. 1 in D major* was also known as *The Classical Symphony*. Written in 1917, the work is a striking combination of both its time and of the classical period, and it is widely considered to be the ultimate test for any string section. The first movement is fast paced, precise, and merry with dominant woodwinds and strings playing over percussion. A slower second movement and dance-like third follow, with the finale giving us a breezy display piece which seems to take the musicians to the edge of what is possible.

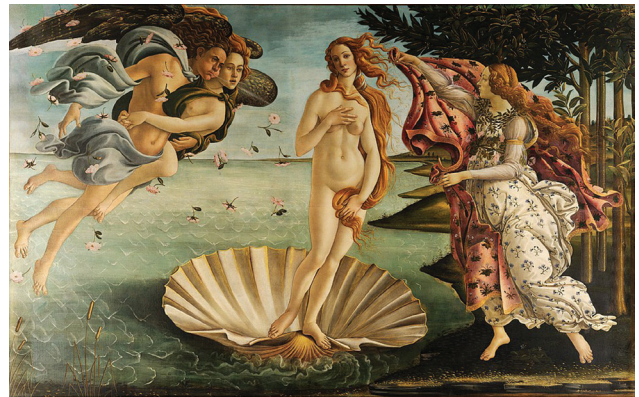
Ottorino Respighi's delightful *Trittico Botticelliano* gives musical form to three Sandro Botticelli masterpieces hanging in the Galleria degli Uffizi in Florence, Italy. The first, an allegorical depiction of the arrival of spring in the forest, is musically described with a bright shimmering opening, rustic horn calls, and spritely dance-like melodies. The music uses a more solemn, yet joyful, effect to describe the visit of the Magi in the second painting. Listen for strains of a familiar Christmas carol. Finally, Respighi uses strings building in flowing, legato lines to blossom in brilliant intensity radiating from the rising goddess in Botticelli's painting.

The concert closes with Franz Schubert's *Symphony No. 5 in B flat major*, written in 1816 and resembling in character Mozart, whom he idolized. The work is scored for a small orchestra of woodwinds and strings and became known as "the symphony without trumpets or drums." Schubert's diary entries just before beginning the *5th Symphony* mention "the magical notes of Mozart's music," the pleasures of a walk in the country, and a party honoring Italian composer Antonio Salieri.

This concert program will tickle our imaginations and delight our senses!



"Primavera," Botticelli



"Birth of Venus," Botticelli



"Adoration of the Magi," Botticelli

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If you cannot use your ticket(s), please contact the Symphony office at 912.634.2006 to let us offer your ticket(s) to others.

WE HAVE A WAITING LIST FOR CONCERT TICKETS.





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SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

Southeast Georgia Health System is a longtime supporter of the Coastal Symphony of Georgia and was our first sponsor to participate in the Named Chair Program. We are pleased to announce that SGHS has generously renewed its three-year commitment to the Concertmaster's Chair through the 2018-2021 concert seasons.

Since 1888, Southeast Georgia Health System has grown and evolved, just like the communities they serve. The Health System continues to expand, bringing new resources, services, technologies and opportunities to the region. Headquartered in historic Brunswick, Southeast Georgia Health System, a not-for-profit health system, serves the residents of Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Glynn, McIntosh and Wayne counties with two acute-care hospitals (Brunswick & Camden), conveniently located Family Medicine Centers, Immediate Care Centers, two Senior Care Centers, Ribbon of Hope, a health care specialty

boutique, and numerous physician specialty practices.

In 2011, the hospital became the second in Georgia, and one of only 222 in the world, to offer CyberKnife® Robotic Radiosurgery System for the treatment of cancerous and benign tumors. The addition of Wolfson Children's at Southeast Georgia Health System in 2013 increased the availability of pediatric medical specialty services in Coastal Georgia. Thanks to a generous gift from philanthropist Hugh Nunnally, the Health System opened Nunnally House in 2014 to provide convenient, home-like lodging for cancer patients and family members of critical care patients from outside Glynn County, plus rooms for medical students and on-call team members.

As our communities grow, Southeast Georgia Health System will continue to grow to provide the best care possible, reinvesting in its facilities and adding new physicians and services to meet the community's growing health care needs, without tax dollars. For an updated list of physicians, services and locations, please visit sghs.org or call 855-ASK-SGHS (855-275-7447).



Principal Chair Generosity Continues to Provide Significant Financial Support for CSG

Membership in the Named Chair Program gives you an opportunity to celebrate your favorite instrument and make a significant contribution to our symphonic endeavor. To date, we have received funding for the Music Director and Conductor, Hall Booth Smith, P.C.; Concertmaster, Southeast Georgia Health System, and six Principal Chairs (listed below). Yes, two more have been acquired! Our goal this year is to attract sponsorships for the remaining 9 Principal Chairs. The cost of each Principal Sponsorship is \$9000, which may be paid over a period of three years, with one third paid each year.

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Remaining Chairs available for sponsorship: Viola, Bass, Oboe, Bassoon, Horn, Trombone, Trumpet, Tuba, and Timpani.
For information on naming a Principal Chair: Sharon Flores, 912-223-6755 or sharon.flores@comcast.net.



For Tickets: CoastalSymphonyofGeorgia.org
Or call: 912-262-1228

Cabaret 2019...

An Elegant Fete Featuring

Fine Cuisine,
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Auction Items

Consider participating in Cabaret this year at the Patron level. You may have received a letter about this campaign, but if we missed you in the mailing and you would like to become a Patron, please contact JoAnn Frick at 912-262-1228. General ticket information will be mailed in December. Seating is limited to 200 this year so you will want to become a Patron or reserve your tickets early.

The silent and live auctions will be exceptional this year with items ranging from vacation packages to exquisite jewelry to fine dining and more. Items will be listed in the Cabaret Catalog, mailed in January to attendees. If you or someone you know would like to donate to these auctions, please contact Jan Carriker at 770-412-2694 or Vivian Edwards at 912-230-4506. We do want to include them in our Cabaret catalog so time is of the essence!

Cabaret needs more volunteers to make the event successful. If you would be interested in volunteering for functions such as silent auction, raffle ticket sales, check in, cashier, or other fun adventures, call John Harper at (912) 223-4822 or JoAnn Frick at (912) 262-1228.

See you at The Greenhouse, February 2, at Cabaret 2019!

Support
*The Coastal Symphony
of Georgia*
and win up to \$5000!

Official 50/50 Raffle
Drawing at Cabaret,
February 2

Tickets for \$10 may be purchased from any Symphony or Society board member as well as at Edward on Saint Simons (Thank you, Chris Triplett and David Lowe!), the December 17th concert, and First Friday in Brunswick. Or contact John Harper: (912) 223-4822

*You do not have to be
present to win.*

An Intriguing Musical Opportunity Sponsored by The Coastal Symphony of Georgia

This year, CSG is presenting a series of casual events in fun and surprising venues. The music ranges from light classical to ethnic folk to creative and amusing interpretations of familiar pops. All events include a light reception. The first evening, Harbor Sounds, was held at Golden Isles Marina at sunset and was sold out well in advance.

The second event, Saturday, January 26, at 6:30 pm, will feature
Guy & The Yebudas

Think: upbeat Eastern European meets Fiddler on the Roof.
Reception to follow. (Dare ya not to dance!)

J's Boom Boom Room (*formerly Cargo's*), Newcastle Street,
Brunswick- \$50 pp includes 1 glass of wine; cash bar

Be sure to order your tickets at coastalsymphonyofgeorgia.org or contact Janice Lamattina at lamattina2@comcast.net.

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The process is that simple. And AmazonSmile makes a contribution to the Coastal Symphony of Georgia every time you shop! Please consider shopping through AmazonSmile and designating the CSG as the recipient of the AmazonSmile Foundation's generosity.

Now, isn't that a cool way to support your Symphony and take care of that shopping list?

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The Symphony Society

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, December 5, 11:00 a.m.

December Winter Luncheon and Meeting will be held again at Ocean Forest, Sea Island. \$43 pp
This festive event will feature entertainment, food, and fellowship.

Please plan to attend!

RSVP: Anna K Mansfield
(912) 638-7841



Friday, January 11th

Sip and Shop at J. McLaughlin
620 Sea Island Road

A percentage of the proceeds from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. will be donated to The Symphony Society
Get after-Holiday bargains and help out the Symphony!

The Symphony Society is quite busy with exciting events to benefit The Coastal Symphony of Georgia. We just completed a successful Golden Elephant sales extravaganza and raised some great funds for the Symphony while allowing people to give up some of their gently used treasures. Thanks to Hall Booth Smith law firm for the use of their wonderful facilities, and to JoAnn Frick and the many Symphony Society volunteers who helped us plan, receive, set up and work the event. A special note of gratitude to those of you who donated items and to those who came to the sale to shop.

For those of you who are country music fans, stay tuned for an announcement in the next newsletter about an event sponsored by the Symphony Society that you will not want to miss.

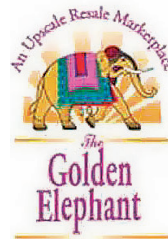
If you would like to volunteer and work with us in major fundraising events for the Symphony and to have a good time in the process, we invite you to join the Symphony Society. Just call our membership chairperson, Jan Carriker at 770-412-2694 or visit our website www.coastalsymphonyofgeorgia.org.



*John Harper,
Society President*

See poster on this page for December 5 luncheon at Ocean Forest and a January 11 Sip and Shop at J McLaughlin.

I will see you at the next concert and at our upcoming events.



Society volunteers work the cashier station for *The Golden Elephant*.



*L-R: Rebecca Link,
Mary Hitt,
Susan Mower*

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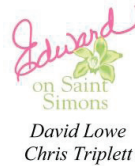


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Our Opening Night tribute to Bernstein and Beethoven gave concertgoers a glimpse of what the future holds for us under the baton of Music Director and Conductor, Michelle Merrill. More than a few veterans of the symphonic arts have commented that the performance was among the finest they have ever witnessed. And to think, the concert almost went forward with a diminished brass section!

The inclement weather that afternoon had triggered two separate hydroplaning incidents between Jacksonville and Brunswick which involved members of our orchestra. Mercifully, there were only minor bumps and bruises, but considerable vehicular damage did occur. The musicians quickly arranged for transportation to Brunswick High School, arriving toward the end of dress rehearsal, and the concert went on with the truly inspired performance we all enjoyed.

Indeed, this dedication and professionalism on the part of our musicians is the norm. Our orchestra members come in to each concert on only three rehearsals. After Merrill selects the programs for the concert season, and our General Manager, Jorge Peña contracts with the musicians, they are given their respective musical scores. It is their job to become proficient in their individual parts, and to arrive at each concert rehearsal knowing those parts and ready to build with Merrill the presentation she has in mind. They meet together in Jacksonville for two rehearsals the day before the concert, and then fine tune during the dress rehearsal on concert afternoon.

I hope this information about our musicians gives you a better appreciation of their talents and dedication, as you sit back and enjoy another performance of excellence from our orchestra on December 17th. And Happy Holidays to you all!

Michael Frick

President, Coastal Symphony of Georgia

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