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Garden State Philharmonic

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March Musical Madness

The Garden State Philharmonic is preparing to celebrate *March Musical Madness!* Once again, your hometown orchestra will present three exciting concerts during the annual mini-music festival, starting off with the FREE Young People's Concert on **Saturday**, March 6, 2010 at [Toms River High School North](#).

This year's program, *The Composer's Toolbox*, will take a look inside the composer's workshop and discover how music is written and what tools are available to help write a piece of music. As part of this interactive program, children will learn about notes, rhythms, dynamics, and orchestration, and help assemble a piece of music at the concert. The concert begins at 3:00 PM and is preceded by an instrumental petting zoo.



Second in the Philharmonic's mini-music festival, sponsored by OceanFirst Bank, will be the third installment of its **Masterworks Series**: *Symphonic Spring*, on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at the [Strand Theater](#) in Lakewood. Artistic Director & Conductor Anthony LaGruth leads the Philharmonic in Rossini's brilliant and refined Overture to *L'Italiana in Algeri*, opening a program of four diverse and fascinating masterpieces.

Tickets range from \$10 - \$35.

March Musical Madness will culminate with the majestic performance of *The Creation*, by Joseph Haydn. This final concert of the month will take place **on Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 7 pm** at the [Christ Episcopal Church](#) in Toms River. The Garden State Philharmonic Chorus and Shrewsbury Choral join forces to perform one of Haydn's most enduring and grand choral works.

Tickets range from \$10 - \$20.

To order tickets call 732.255.0460.

For more information email

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Maestro LaGruth Elected to Conductors Guild Board

Our very own Anthony LaGruth was elected to the Board of Directors of the Conductors Guild. The Guild is a service organization of over 2000 members world wide. The Guild serves the field of



conducting through advocacy, education, and serves as an information distribution hub.

Congratulations, Maestro!

Garden State Philharmonic Youth Orchestra News

GSPYO Students Make All-Region Ensembles

CONGRATULATIONS on the success of 14 of the Garden State Philharmonic Symphonic Youth Orchestra students who made All-Region Ensembles!

South Jersey Region III Orchestra

Christopher DeCesare, Toms River North - Violin
 Rebecca Grzyb, Brick HS - Violin
 Isabelle Ingato, Toms River East - Cello
 Teresa Lim, Toms River East - Violin
 Nerissa Manela, Toms River North - Violin
 Daniel Martinez, Toms River North - Bass
 Jaclyn Palmerson, Toms River East - Viola
 Victoria Tamburro, Southern Regional - Trombone
 Gregory Warren, Toms River North - Bass
 Jennifer Warren, Toms River North - Bass

South Jersey Region III Band

Eric Wolkwitz, Toms River South - Bassoon
Maria Moresco, Monsignor Donovan - Clarinet

Central Jersey Region II Wind Ensemble

Katherine Briant, Wall HS - Bassoon

Central Jersey Region II Band

Jacob Dawe, Wall HS - French Horn

New Jersey All-State Orchestra

Gregory Warren, Toms River North - Bass

New Jersey All-State Band

Katherine Briant, Wall HS - Bassoon

Symphonic Youth Orchestra on Cablevision

Provided as an entertainment and information resource, [Neighborhood Journal](#) features the unique local stories that develop a sense of community within the area. Through field and studio-based segments, the host introduces the viewer to the places, events, and people who make each of our communities feel like home.

Our Symphonic Youth Orchestra will be featured on Cablevision's [Neighborhood Journal](#) on Optimum on Sunday, February 14th at 7 pm and 9:30 pm. Interviews with SYO Conductor Leslie Hollander, Executive Director Sean Baker and some of our Youth Orchestra members.

Don't forget to tune into io TV channels 78 or 118 to watch our segment! And keep an eye out for segments on the Chorus and Philharmonic soon.

For more information, call 732.681.8222 ext 2294. Dates and times subject to change.

Youth Orchestra Winter Concert

Thank you to everyone who attended our GSPYO Winter Concert on Sunday, January 24th!

Congratulations to all of our Youth Orchestra members for putting on a superb concert!

To get a copy of this concert's program, please follow this [link](#).

AUDITIONS Available for Youth Orchestra and Chorus!

Young musicians and singers, now is your opportunity to shine! The [Garden State Philharmonic](#) invites enthusiastic musicians to join its Youth Orchestras and Chorus for an exciting 2010 season. Auditions will take place before rehearsals on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.



Tuesday Evenings:

[Symphonic Youth Orchestra](#)

(typically grades 9-12)

Wind, brass, percussion, and string instruments. Vacancies in oboe, horn, trombone, tuba, timpani, and mallet.

[Concert Youth Orchestra](#)

(typically grades 7-9)

String and wind instruments.

[String Ensemble](#)

(typically grades 6 and under)

String instruments. Vacancies in cello, bass, and viola.

Wednesday Evenings:

[Chorus](#)

Openings for experienced tenors, baritones and basses, and limited positions for sopranos and mezzo sopranos.

We invite you to attend on-going rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 pm, Room 117 of the [Ocean County Community College](#), 1 College Drive, Toms River, NJ 08754.

To arrange an audition for the GSPYO or Chorus, call our office at 732.255.0460. For more information, email info@gardenstatephilharmonic.org or visit www.gardenstatephilharmonic.org.

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