

# Chamber Music and Alumni Concert

*2024/25 Season*



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With more than 75 years of history, Houston Youth Symphony (HYS) is the recipient of national acclaim, including the 2024 American Prize Honored Artist for sustained excellence. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Dr. Michael Webster, this season 415 musicians between the ages of 7 and 19 come from across the greater Houston area to perform in one of five HYS orchestras. In addition to the core orchestra program, HYS offers advanced musicians a chamber music training program and an annual concerto competition.

In the community, HYS provides free private music lessons for talented youth through the Melody Program. In January 2015, HYS launched the Coda Music Program, an after-school effort modeled after El Sistema that brings graduated, intensive string instruction to five elementary schools in Houston's Near Northside neighborhood and four elementary schools in Fort Bend. The program uses classical music and group instruction to build community and social transformation.

To learn more about HYS programs, concerts, and opportunities to support the work of Houston Youth Symphony, please visit [HoustonYouthSymphony.org](https://HoustonYouthSymphony.org).

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Parsley Center

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Chamber Music Program

Whitney Bullock, *String Coach*  
Zelda Gray, *String Coach*  
César Fránquiz, *Chamber Music  
Program Manager*

Rondo de Concert, Op. 27  
*I. Allegro*

Ernst Spiess (1830–1905)

Jenessy Morones, violin I  
Maya Ikegami, violin II  
Maple MacGloin, violin III

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Trio in B flat Major, D471, No 1  
*I. Allegro*

Franz Schubert (1797–1828)

Stasiya Tan, violin  
Aidan Huynh, viola  
Marcus Lee, cello

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Terzetto in C Major, Op. 74  
*I. Allegro ma non troppo*  
*II. Larghetto*

Antonin Dvořák (1841–1904)

Theodore Vu, violin I  
Vu Le, violin II  
Jordan Palmer, viola

Pause

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**HYS Alumni Orchestra**Michael Webster, *Conductor***Symphony No. 5**

Dmitri Shostakovich (1906–1975)

*IV. Allegro non troppo*

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***Sleigh Ride***Leroy Anderson (1908–1975)

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A special thank you to Guillermo Hernandez-Ching,  
Orchestra Director at Strake Jesuit College Preparatory,  
for assisting us with today's performance!



## Alumni Orchestra Musicians

### Flute

Eden Balsano, 2019–2022  
 Keith Davis, 2023–2024  
 Tabytha Donnelly, 2015–2018<sup>^</sup>  
 Pelin Gurmen, 2021–2024  
 Michael Pardo, 2023–2024  
 Mariana Perez Alvarado, 2022–2024  
 Marcelo Vazquez, 2019–2020

### Oboe

Sammy Gonzalez, 2019–2021  
 Mathieu Van Dijke, 2015–2020  
 Michael Wong, 2021–2023

### Clarinet

Sabrii Anderson, 2014–2016  
 Lauren Batchelor, 2014–2016  
 Kylie Ede, 2017–2020  
 Brendan Hubenak, 2014–2015  
 Katelyn Nguyen, 2020–2023  
 Ethan Pham, 2018–2019  
 Lloyd Robles, 2023–2024  
 Gabriel Vaca, 2019–2020

### Bassoon

Jalan Auduong, 2023–2024  
 Alexander Kappes, 2021–2023  
 Sabrina Pector, 2023–2024  
 Benjamin Roberts, 2019–2021  
 Connor Rollfing, 2022–2023  
 Eduardo Sepulveda, 2021–2023  
 Thane Wimberly, 2020–2021

### Horn

Anton Fernandez, 2019–2023  
 Noel Manning, 2017–2018, 2019–2020  
 Dalton McMahan, 2022–2024  
 Jackson Pate, 2023–2024  
 Josiah Strickland, 2021–2022

### Trumpet

Adam Czader, 2020–2021  
 Anthony Gibson, 2021–2022  
 Robert Greaney, 2020–2021  
 Peter Huynh, 2022–2023  
 Jeremy Macias, 2021–2022  
 Kevin Pierce, 2018–2021  
 Matthew Ryan, 2015–2018

### Trombone

Gabriel Clark, 2021–2023  
 Jesus Guzman, 2023–2024  
 Jose Trevino, 2020–2021

### Bass Trombone

Xavier Gallart, 2023–2024

### Tuba

Leo Salazar, 2022–2023

### Harp

Alyssa Elizondo, 2018–2021

### Percussion

Mario Castro<sup>^</sup>  
 Joshua Garcia<sup>^</sup>  
 Eric Przybyl, 2013–2018  
 Edwin Wang<sup>\*</sup>



**Violin I**

Kyle Adams, 2016–2022  
 Zach Argomido, 2019–2020, 2021–2023  
 Mario Avalos, 2022–2024  
 Cade Carter, 2021–2024  
 Gene Chang, 2019–2023  
 Olivia Grohn, 2017–2020  
 Julia Hearn, 2021–2023  
 Tyler Kang, 2019–2023  
 Corinne McLeod, 2019–2024  
 Ryan Nguyen, 2022–2023  
 Carl Rogers, 2004–2012  
 Dallis Williams, 2016–2019  
 Chloe Yang, 2017–2018

**Violin II**

Peter Castillo, 2021–2022, 2023–2024  
 Quentin Dauge, 2019–2020  
 Desheng Liu, 2019–2020  
 Olivia Lyles DeLuna, 2017–2018  
 Vu Le\*  
 Sofia Murillo Sanchez, 2013–2015  
 Travis Pota–Birkhoff, 2023–2024  
 Anisa Roshan–Zamir, 2021–2023  
 Samuel Savanich, 2019–2023  
 Luis Urdaneta, 2019–2023  
 Theodore Vu\*

**Viola**

Nick DeBattista, 2015–2017  
 Zahi Hussain, 2020–2021  
 Jordan Palmer\*  
 Jose Pina^  
 Tasha Scruggs, 2021–2022

**Cello**

Alexander Barraza, 2016–2017  
 Agata Bochnak, 2023–2024^  
 Francisco Garay, 2012–2013  
 Aman Gottumukkala, 2014–2015  
 Julian Montez^  
 Drew Peries, 2018–2020

**Bass**

Nathan Hobbs, 2022–2023  
 Omar Juarez, 2017–2020  
 Rene Juarez, 2014–2019  
 Bruce Manning, 2017–2021^  
 Zane Martinez, 2018–2023  
 Gabriel Sweet, 2021–2023

\* *Current HYS Musician*

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*Musicians listed alphabetically*

# Houston Youth Symphony

**Winter Concert**  
**Sunday**  
**February 9, 2025**

**Stude Concert Hall**  
**at Rice University**

**\$15 General Admission**  
**\$10 Children (18 and under)**

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