



# 60<sup>th</sup>

**Anniversary Season**  
Celebrating Youth Creating  
Joyous Music  
Since 1963



## Celebrating 60 Years – A Look Back at Alice Manning

As part of our 60th Anniversary Season we are looking back at some key figures in TYSA history. One of the truly remarkable things about TYSA is the supportive, family-like culture that has been a part of the organization throughout its history. Each generation of leaders, whether artistic or administrative, has worked to nurture and develop that culture. During the 1980s Alice Manning was a big part of creating that family-like atmosphere.

Alice Manning was originally from the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. She attended St. Joseph's Academy in St. Paul, an all-girls Catholic school which was right next to Symphony Hall. As a member of the school newspaper staff, she regularly went through Symphony Hall and it was during those walks through Symphony Hall that she fell in love with orchestral music. In a quote in her high school yearbook, Alice said that she wanted to conduct an orchestra someday. Alice also played the piano and for several years, she played the organ at her church. As a young woman, she helped to run gift shops, which eventually led her to the Air Force base in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she met her husband. After they married, they moved to Wyoming, where he was originally from, and then came to the Puget Sound area for a job at Boeing. They have six children. During the 1970s someone at their church suggested to Alice that she should start the youngest two children on string instruments. As a result, her son John started playing the cello and joined Tacoma Junior Symphony soon after, and her daughter Mary started playing violin and joined TJS a couple of years after John. That was Alice's introduction to the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association.

In 1975 Alice Manning began volunteering with TYSA. As a volunteer, she did a lot of telephoning for TYSA. She was also the treat chair person for both TYS and TJS and she helped with the Music Library inventory in 1980. She was a board member for four years - as a board member, she worked as the audition chair person, scholarship chair person, ensemble chair person, and did the roster books for the orchestras for many years. In 1983, she was a counselor for the Tacoma Youth Symphony European tour and she did much of the planning and coordination for parents, students, and couriers involved in the trip. Alice was hired to be the Administrative Assistant and Operations Manager in 1983, the second paid administrative staff position for TYSA. In that role she did general office work, answered phones, and did typing, but she also scheduled all the facilities for rehearsals and retreats, arranged for school tours, did programs for the younger orchestras, managed bulk mailings, and helped to coordinate the String Orchestra Festival. When the Evergreen Music Festival was created in 1984, Alice was the first camp manager. From 1984 through 1988, as she put it, she did everything except the budget, the brochure, and conduct the orchestra. Alice stayed busy during her four years on the TYSA staff and when she retired in 1988, TYSA hired three people to fill her place.

According to her daughter, Mary Manning, TYSA was a perfect fit for Alice for at least three reasons. She was an incredible organizer, she had a lot of energy, and most of all, she was a people person. Alice especially loved working with children and she told Mary once that if she could go back and do it all again, she probably would have gone to school to be an elementary teacher. She loved working with the young musicians of TYSA and to the students she worked with, she became "Mother Manning." Alice was at rehearsals each Saturday and took role each week. She told Mary once that the best part of her day was taking role during TYSA rehearsals and then going around a corner from the orchestra where she could stand and listen to the music that they made.

Alice Manning loved working for the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association but it took a lot out of her. By 1988, all of her children had graduated from high school and Alice's husband wanted her around more; she decided to retire. Her legacy of encouraging and nurturing students and helping each student to feel like they belonged lives on in the culture of TYSA.



# IT'S OUR 60TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON!

## LOOK AT ALL OF THE GREAT THINGS WE'VE BEEN UP TO!

This has been a busy season for us as we have been celebrating our 60th Anniversary. Our Tacoma Community Ukulele Project kicked off over the summer at Eastside Community Center and since the start of September, has expanded to Franke Tobey Jones' Senior University, after school programs in several Tacoma Middle Schools, was offered to inpatients and outpatients at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, and is now being offered once a month at the Oasis Youth Center.

On October 29, TYSA returned to the Pantages Theater for the first time in ten years for a sold out Costume Concert. The concert featured all of the orchestras of the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association.

Each of the orchestras performed a regular season concert in November and December. In December we also presented our highly popular Warm Winter Wishes. Starting in 2020 during the pandemic, our TYSA students enjoy submitting their videos of holiday/winter themed music and it has become a huge hit with our social media audiences.

2023 has already included Symphony Tacoma Masterclasses, the annual Chamber Ensemble Concert, the return of our Discover Music Concert for more than one thousand fourth grade students, and the Third Annual Concerto Spotlight Concert. Stay tuned for more exciting events such as the Tacoma Youth Symphony concert on March 5, the Trivia Night Auction and Fundraiser on March 10, and be sure to join us on May 6 for the 60th Anniversary Concert featuring all of TYSA's orchestras!







# Tales Woven Through History

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023 3:00 P.M.  
RIALTO THEATER  
FEATURING STUDENT SOLOIST JORIE DYVIG



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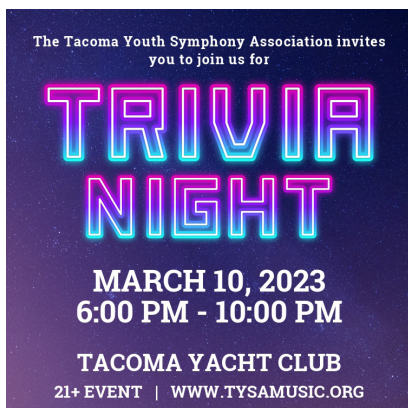
Join us on Friday, March 10, 2023, for our second annual Trivia Night Fundraiser & Auction! This event will feature three rounds of trivia, a variety of fun games, silent and live auctions, student performances, delectable Italian cuisine, drinks, and more! All proceeds from the event will go towards supporting the TYSA scholarship fund, increasing access to music education, expanding programs, and ensuring 60 more years of youth creating music in honor of our 60th anniversary. Ticket sales close at 11:59 P.M. on March 2, so get your tickets now at [www.auctria.events/trivianight](http://www.auctria.events/trivianight). Can't make this year's event? Stay tuned for next year's date, or make a gift to support TYSA at [www.tysamusic.org](http://www.tysamusic.org).



Our Trivia Night Fundraiser will take place at the beautiful Tacoma Yacht Club. Located on the Dune Peninsula at the entrance to Commencement Bay, the Yacht Club offers stunning views of the Puget Sound and Mt. Rainier! The Yacht Club takes great pride in providing the finest cuisine and service. Enjoy some wonderful Italian cuisine, plus wine, beer, cocktails, and more - all while supporting the students of the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association!



The TYSA Trivia Night Fundraiser will feature both a live auction and a silent auction. Some of the items in the silent auction will include a date night on the town, luxurious spa day packages, gift baskets to celebrate Mom on Mother's Day, and items to help you enjoy the sunshine as warmer weather approaches. During the live auction, you could win the chance to fly to any Alaska Airlines destination, guest conduct the Tacoma Youth Symphony next season, get the best seats in the house for the Costume Concert in October, and more! There will also be a dessert dash featuring exquisite desserts from some of the area's most celebrated bakeries!



This event is generously sponsored by Tacoma Family Dental.



Ticket sales close this Thursday,  
March 2, at 11:59 P.M.!!  
Don't miss out on this fun, casual  
evening!

Get your tickets today at  
[www.auctria.events/trivianight](http://www.auctria.events/trivianight).



# KEEP THE MUSIC GOING THIS SUMMER WITH TYSA'S SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAMS!

TYSA-HAMMOND ASHLEY  
DOUBLE BASS WORKSHOP



## HAMMOND ASHLEY DOUBLE BASS WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY THE TACOMA YOUTH SYMPHONY ASSOCIATION

**JULY 5-8, 2023**

**PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY**

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## THE 2023 EVERGREEN MUSIC FESTIVAL

TYSA's Summer Music Camp For String, Woodwind, Brass and Percussion Musicians, Ages 8-21, and Choral Musicians, grades 5-8.

**SESSION I JULY 17 - 21, 2023**

**PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY**

Grades 3 - 8 string, woodwind, brass, and percussion musicians are invited to join us for a fun-filled day camp.

In collaboration with Tacoma Youth Chorus, we are thrilled to offer a choral program for students grades 5-8.

**SESSION II JULY 30 - AUGUST 5, 2023**

**CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

Grade 9 through age 21 string, woodwind, brass, and percussion musicians are invited to join us for an overnight camp. Featuring fun activities including faculty recital, EMF talent show, and more!

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## SYMPHONIC JAZZ WORKSHOP

**JULY 25 - 27, 2023**

**TACOMA CITY THEATERS STUDIO 3  
FOR ALL INSTRUMENTS GRADE 8-AGE 21.**

For more information about any of these programs,  
go to [www.tysamusic.org](http://www.tysamusic.org)

# Join Us for These Upcoming Concerts

Find us on:



**March 5, 2023, 3:00 P.M.**

**Rialto Theater**

Tacoma Youth Symphony

*Sponsored by the William W. Kilworth Foundation*

**April 22, 2023, 1:00 P.M.**

**Urban Grace Church**

Tacoma String Symphony

Tacoma String Philharmonic

Tacoma Wind Philharmonic

Tacoma Young Violin Program

*Sponsored by Florence J. Kilworth Foundation  
and Tacoma Creates*

*TWP sponsored by Symphony Tacoma*

*TYVP sponsored by Applebaum Violin Shop*

**May 6, 2023, 7:00 P.M.**

**60th Anniversary Concert**

**Pantages Theater**

Featuring all of TYSA's orchestras

*Sponsored by Consejo Counseling and Pacific Edge Multimedia*

*TWP sponsored by Symphony Tacoma*

**May 13, 2023, 7:00 P.M.**

**Urban Grace**

Tacoma Junior Youth Symphony

Tacoma Youth Brass Ensemble

*Sponsored by Tacoma Family Dental*

**May 21, 2023, 3:00 P.M.**

**Rialto Theater**

Tacoma Youth Symphony

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