

Hello Friends!

The calendar has switched over to a new year, bringing with it fresh energy and new opportunities. The Mid-Columbia Symphony is grateful to have you with us as we continue sharing music with our community. There is a lot to look forward to in the months ahead as we continue our 81<sup>st</sup> season--Resound: Together in Action, United in Sound!

## UPCOMING SYMPHONY EVENTS

A symphony never rests (except for the ones written into our music, of course!). We have three exciting events in the next few months that you will definitely want to put on your calendars:

- **Young Artist Competition:** Experience the incredible talent of young musicians as they perform for the opportunity to appear with the Mid-Columbia Symphony. This **free** event welcomes the community to come cheer them on, enjoy beautiful music, and inspire the next generation of performers.  
**Date:** January 31, 2026  
**Time:** Begins at 10am  
**Place:** Shalom Church, 505 McMurray Street, Richland WA  
A schedule of performers and other information will be available on our website on January 21, 2026 <https://midcolumbiasymphony.org/>
- **MID-COLUMBIA ARTS FUNDRAISER: *LICENSED TO THRILL*** Secret agents, femme fatales, and supervillains — this mission is for you! Our annual fundraising gala with fellow Tri-Cities arts organizations is just around the corner. Join us for dinner, live music, entertainment, and auctions in support of the arts in our region.  
**Date:** March 14, 2026  
**Time:** 7pm  
**Place:** Three Rivers Convention Center, 7016 W Grandridge Blvd, Kennewick WA  
For more information, or to donate auction items, visit the MCAF website: <https://www.mcaf-tc.org/>
- **VALIANT RESILIENCE:** Our final concert of the year will feature the winners of the Young Artist's Competition, performing their solos with the full orchestra accompaniment! We will also present Dvorak's Carnival Overture, which depicts a wanderer's venture through a city's vibrant carnival! Also programmed is American female composer Florence Price's previously lost 4th symphony. First performed almost 65 years after its composition, this piece builds upon familiar-feeling themes and pushes them to bold new territories. You won't want to miss it!  
  
**Date:** March 28, 2026  
**Time:** 7pm  
**Place:** Richland High School Auditorium  
**Tickets & More Info:** <https://app.arts-people.com/?show=296274>

## HOLIDAY GRATITUDE

We were thrilled to share our holiday concert, Joyful Resonance, with over 1,700 audience members last month! You really filled the hall with holiday cheer. We're equally grateful to all

who joined in the Raffle and Giving Tree, your generosity raised over \$2,000! You all made our holiday season sparkle warmly. Thank you!!

## **ADVERTISER SHOUT-OUT**

This month, we are highlighting Mower Medic!

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## **KNOW A LOCAL BUSINESS THAT SHOULD ADVERTISE WITH US?**

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## **NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?**

Looking to get more involved in your community this year? The Mid-Columbia Symphony has you covered! From concert-day volunteering and hosting musicians to helping with grants or recordings, there's a way for everyone to participate (no music skills needed!). Learn more at [midcolumbiasymphony.org/support/volunteer](https://midcolumbiasymphony.org/support/volunteer).

Want to help but a less hands-on role? Monthly donations are an easy, budget-friendly way to keep the music playing. Even the cost of a latte can make a “latte” difference!

Share your support here: [Mid-Columbia Symphony | Richland](#)

Thank you as always for being a part of our musical family! We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Yours in Music & Friendship,

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