

Program Notes for Friday, August 5 Summer Music Workshops Student Concerts

Afternoon Concert, 3:00 PM

Featuring intermediate and beginning students and ensembles

Prelude String Orchestra
Piano Soloists
Woodwind and Brass Ensembles
Chamber Ensembles
Vocal Ensembles

Evening Concert, 6:30 PM

Featuring advanced students and ensembles

Philharmonia Orchestra
Piano Soloists
Advanced Chamber Ensemble
Advanced Vocal Ensemble
Sun Valley Youth Orchestra and Chorus

Sun Valley Summer Symphony Summer Music Workshops

The Summer Music Workshops, now in their fourteenth season, are held during the first week of the Sun Valley Summer Symphony season each year. The Workshops began in 1998 with thirty-five local students and a handful of instructors from the Sun Valley Summer Symphony. They have been held each season since then, in cooperation with the Blaine County School music educators and the Sun Valley Summer Symphony School of Music. The Workshops have grown to expect 250 students for the five-day session and now attract students from all over the country.

This year's Workshops take place August 1-5 and are taught by Sun Valley Summer Symphony musicians from around the country as well as local and regional instructors. Students participating in the Summer Music Workshops will have a unique opportunity to work with professional musicians in technique classes, sectional rehearsals, chamber music groups and large ensembles. Classes are offered in strings, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments as well as in piano and voice for beginning through advanced students.

The Workshops feature three levels of orchestra: Prelude Strings, led by Debbie Hynes; the Philharmonia, conducted by Ellen Sanders; and the Sun Valley Youth Orchestra, directed by Samuel Smith. Other ensemble groups include beginning, intermediate and advanced vocal ensembles, woodwind, brass and percussion ensembles, piano duets and string chamber ensembles. The Workshops culminate in today's performances.

The goal of the Summer Music Workshops is to generate enthusiasm for classical music among our local and visiting young people and to enhance the music dedication and appreciation of future generations of symphony performers and audience members. Thank you to the local music educators, Sun Valley Summer Symphony musicians, guest instructors and volunteers who make this event possible each year.