

Noteables

Volunteers Supporting Today's Symphony and Tomorrow's Musicians

THE POWER OF WOMEN

By Jeanette Alvarado

The 13th Annual Fashion Show, The Power of Women, was held on March 4 at the Wells Fargo Atrium. One hundred and fifty guests enjoyed fashions by Our Place Boutique and Nitsa's Apparel. The clothes were fabulous and looked stunning on our many Guild and celebrity models.

Once again, Guild member **Lingky Sugg** donated beautiful floral arrangements. Catering was provided by Best Impressions who never fail to impress us with their delicious food. A wine bar, bourbon tasting and an Olde Meck Brewery kiosk kept everyone satisfied.

The successful live auction was conducted by **Wilton Connor** and **Ben Roe**. They were assisted by **Leo Soto**

and **Jacomo Bairos**, both of the CSO. In addition, there were over a dozen raffle



CSO timpanist Leo Soto (left) joins Jacomo Rafael Bairos, Assistant Conductor as they encourage bidders.

items won by excited participants.

The presence of Honorary Chair, **Rosemary Warren-Green** contributed to the evening. Her involvement



Amy Martin (left) takes a moment to chat with Honorary Chair Rosemary Warren-Green.

in the Charlotte youth musical education community represents everything for which The Guild stands.

Jeanne Martin Brayboy was the Guild's very deserving recipi-



Betty Lou Newcomb struts her stuff!

ent of the Marie R. Rowe Award. Please be sure to read the article (on page 3) by Award Chair **Peggy Dreher** for more information on Jeanne's contributions to the art community.

A BIG thank you to all that attended, donated, participated or



Jeanette Alvarado takes a well-deserved moment to enjoy the evening.

volunteered to make this a very successful event for the Guild.

Special thanks to my wonderful committee for all their hard work and dedication: **Linda Borders, Julia Church, Catherine Connor, Linda Daleure, Peggy Dreher, Carole Graham, Barbara Kopald, Amy Martin, Lisa Phillips, Linda Weisbruch and Melissa Woolf.**



Dear Members of the Fashion Show Committee,

Congratulations to each of you on the successful 13th Annual Fashion Show. With all of your hard work, commitment, vitality, energy, and wherewithal, this event was absolutely delightful—the fashion show was exquisite (of what I know about fashion), and the models stunning.

All in all, it was a run(a)way success... ☺

Bravo to al you wonderful folks for a job very well done!

With warmest regards,



Jonathan Martin
President & Executive
Director



Ben Roe (left) and Wilton Connor Work the crowd!

from the desk of the President . . .



As I sit down to right this letter to each of you I am having a slight mind freeze for perhaps two reasons. First, the weather outside has decided to return to drab winter and second, because there are so many members to thank for so much activity. The Guild has been on overdrive with activities since our last issue of *Noteables*. So...I will dive in and hope not to forget anyone.

Not to prioritize, and I think there is really no such word in Daniel Webster's book, but the Fashion Show was a huge success and one of our major fundraisers for the year. **Jeannette Alvarado** and her committee of **Linda Borders, Julia Church, Catherine Connor, Peggy Dreher, Carol Graham, Barbara Kopald, Amy Martin, Lisa Phillips** and **Melissa Woolf**, proved once again how well The Guild works as a group. Everyone had a wonderful time that evening at the Wells Fargo Atrium. I was especially pleased to honor Jeanne Martin Brayboy with the Marie R. Rowe award. Jeanne is a delightful woman, well deserving of the award, and I do hope you were able to speak with her during the evening. The live auction was a stellar success. Ben Roe and **Wilton Connor** were our two wonderful and handsome auctioneers for the evening. The models were gorgeous, or so my husband commented, and the food and wine was superior. **Linda Borders** does us proud with the wine pairings she secures! The bourbon tasting too was successful, and I thank my Kentucky heritage for making what I thought were fine selections for the event.

A great deal of hard work goes into each of our events. Not the least of which is our Youth Festival. Held this year, for the first time at the Knight Theater, the concert was fantastic. The young soloist, Alexandra Mullins, played a harp concerto that would bring tears to your eyes. She is truly a gifted young musician. Alexandra is the daughter of Guild member and Parents Association Representative **Pamela Mullins**. It is unfortunate that more of our members do not take the opportunity to attend the concert. These are the young people for whom we work so hard throughout the year. My special thanks to **Jackie Slaugenhaupt** and **Sharon Lacy** for spearheading this event. I would also like to thank the Charlotte Symphony which over the years has supported the Youth Festival. Many hours of hard work are put into Youth Festival, and it has always been a successful, polished, and well received concert.

In addition, we held our winter meeting at Ballantyne Country Club, announced our slate of officers for the forthcoming year and set the date and time for our O'-ver-ture luncheon. Look for additional information on these and other events in this issue of *Noteables*.

Noteables is like the high school yearbook, filled with memories and worthy of keeping. We send out The Horn and e-mail blasts as the occasion is needed. These are quick and to the point; information for you at that instant, like the school newspaper. So enjoy this issue and keep it near at hand so you may reference it as you need.

I would like to thank each of you who have heard the call for volunteers and answered whole-heartedly. Without our volunteers we are nothing but a set of by-laws. I look forward to seeing each of you at the O'-ver-ture luncheon!

Mission Statement
The purpose of The Symphony Guild of Charlotte, Inc. is to create, develop and promote an interest in symphonic music in the community of Charlotte and the surrounding metropolitan area and to provide financial and volunteer support to the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra Society, Inc., the Charlotte youth symphonies and symphonic educational activities.

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Please be sure to call Office Manager **Ellen Crowley** before planning to use the office for meetings or work sessions, especially on Mondays and Wednesdays when The Guild's Office Administrator, **Stephanie Levin**, is in the office.

The Office Manager **MUST** approve any items that are to be sent bulk mail **BEFORE** they are printed. This is to ensure they conform to strict USPS standards.

PROCEDURE FOR USING CONFERENCE ROOM...

The conference room is now locked at all times. After reserving the conference room through **Ellen Crowley**, be sure to obtain a key from the building office, **Suite 550**, and lock and return the key to the building office after use. (**Note new building office no.**)

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13TH Annual Marie R. Rowe Award Honors Charlotte Symphony Board Member Jeanne Brayboy at "Power of Women" Fashion Show

By Peggy Dreher

The Symphony Guild of Charlotte, Inc. was pleased to select Jeanne Martin Brayboy as recipient of its 13th Annual Marie R. Rowe Award. This prestigious award,



Jeanne Brayboy (2nd from left) smiles for the camera with Marie R. Rowe Award Chair Peggy Dreher (left), Guild President Marta Fales, and Jeanne's daughter from Washington, DC (right)

which recognizes leaders who have had a positive impact on the local arts community, was presented at The Symphony Guild's *The Power of Women* gala and fashion show on Friday, March 4, in the Wells Fargo Atrium.

The award was established in 1999 to honor beloved Charlotte arts patron Marie R. Rowe and is given annually to a member of the Charlotte community who has shown a strong

support of the arts through volunteerism.

Jeanne Martin Brayboy is the epitome of volunteerism for the arts. She retired from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, where she was an elementary school music teacher...but that was only her desire...her passion was improving the availability of arts and music in Charlotte.

She has volunteered for cultural organizations around the city, including the Blumenthal Performing Arts

Center, North Carolina School of the Arts, Central Piedmont Community College, the Afro-American Cultural Center, Friendship Trays, the Mint Museum of Art, the Foundation for the Carolinas, and the Levine Museum of the New South. Ms. Brayboy also serves as a board member for the Charlotte Symphony, Discovery Place, and the African-American Community Foundation. This speaks volumes about Jeanne's commitment. Jeanne certainly has followed

her passion and made an impact on the arts community.

Jeanne's son, daughter-in-law, and daughter, who was visiting from Washington, DC for the occasion, were beaming proudly as their mother was presented the Marie R. Rowe Award, an etched Tiffany & Company crystal plate. They were so delighted to see their mother's many achievements receive recognition. In her comments, Jeanne thanked The Guild for such an honor and Tiffany & Company for the award. She expressed her belief that she gained immeasurably from her involvement with so many organizations and talented people.

In a note sent to the Symphony Guild, Jeanne said, "The Guild affair was lovely. Everyone was so gracious to me and to my family...Thanks again to The Guild...for this special honor and...for all the good things [The Guild] does for our community."

Below is the lovely thank you note President Marta Fales received from Jeanne Brayboy, this year's Marie R. Rowe Award winner.

Dear Marta,

It has been a pleasure knowing you during the short time since we met.

My sincere gratitude to you and The Guild for the honor of the Rowe Award. I will cherish it and work to deserve it.

Thank you for all the good things you and The Guild do for our children and the community. Sincerely, Jeanne



By Carol Follmer

Forms for Symphony Guild membership renewals for the next fiscal year (2011-2012) were mailed on March 31, 2011. This year the Guild Board voted to keep dues the same as last year's dues. Your completed forms and

membership fee are due on June 1.

For many years Guild members have been required to pay a specified fundraising fee to purchase tickets to fundraising events, which, in the past, have included the Designer House, the Fashion

Show, and/or Gatherings. This coming year Active and Associate members will again be expected to buy a ticket to a major Guild fundraiser, but because the event and the fee have not yet been specified, no advance payment is requested. Members

will receive more information regarding Guild fundraising events in the future. We look forward to your continuing membership and support for our programs, so join us for another exciting year!



The Symphony Guild of Charlotte, Inc.
Slate of Officers and Board of Directors
2011-2012

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2011-2013

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TBA*

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Wendy Smolen*

Nominating Committee

Chair: Cookie Parnell
Members: Kit Ramage
Marta Fales

At Large Members (2)
TBA*
TBA*

*to be elected

o'-ver-ture:

1. *an initiative towards agreement or action;*
2. *something introductory;*
3. *the orchestra introduction to a musical dramatic work or an orchestra concert piece written especially as a single movement in sonata form;*
4. *a lunch sponsored by The Symphony Guild to build new friends and family for the future of symphonic music.*

*opening **new** doors for music*

please join us to celebrate
our support for symphonic music

wednesday, may 11, 2011

social, 11:30 a.m.

luncheon program, 12:00 noon

heaton hall, myers park Baptist church
1900 roswell avenue



rsvp: by may 2, 2011
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Youth Festival Debuts at Knight Theater

By Jackie Slaughaupt

Thank you to everyone who made the 24th Youth Festival such an amazing success! This was the first year that the concert was held at the Knight Theater in Uptown, and it made for a wonderful backdrop to a great event. We raised over \$7,500 in donations to help fund the Guild's enrichment activities and offset the cost of the concert and theater rental.

The evening began with performances by the CSYO and the JYO under the baton of Ernest Pereira, Youth Orchestra conductor. The 2011 Young Artists Competition Winner,



Alexandra Katelyn Mullins, shone brightly with her solo performance in Ginastera's *Concerto for Harp, Op. 25*. She was accompanied by the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra conducted by Jacomo Rafael Bairos.

After presentation

of the scholarship awards (see separate article), the evening ended with over 150 CSYO and Charlotte Symphony musicians on stage together performing Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy*.

I would like to thank the Committee members for their hard work and dedication. **Lingky Sugg** did an amazing job coordinating the invitations, **Molly Rose Nass** coordinated the printed program, and **Jean Wright** worked to make sure scholarships were awarded to our young beneficiaries.

Kit Ramage hosted the lovely donor reception held at intermission in the VIP room and **Priscilla Sabatelli** provided refreshments for the CSO in the green room. Thank you to **Carole Loges** and **Janet Cauley** for coordinating tickets and community outreach and to **Molly Foy** and **Donna Kiser** for helping them in the box office that evening.

Peggy Dreher was in charge of donations and helped the Guild raise over \$7,500, exceeding our goal by over \$1500. Water for the evening was provided by **Sharon and David Lacy**. Throughout the many months of preparation, **Lisa Phillips** helped to mail invitations, letters, and make arrangements at the Knight Theater.

Martha Player ensured that our young musicians were taken care of at the CSYO and JYO pizza dinner. All of this could not have been done without the support and dedication of **Stephanie Levin** in the Guild office. Special thanks to Meg Whalen and **Joan Foley** for their help at the CSO office with the program and ticket sales.

There were many additional volunteers who helped the night of the performance. **Anne McKnight, Sallie Moody,** and **Betty Seifert** helped direct the students and keep everything in order. Thank you also to parent volunteers Johanne Hawk, Jackie Krajewski Cheryl Drake-Bowers, Jennifer Webber, and **Sally Golden** as well as to Youth Orchestra Manager Chris Rydel.

Plans are already underway for next year, so please consider Youth Festival and the Youth Orchestras' activities when you are filling out commitment sheets. We would love to have you!



Merit Awards at Youth Festival

By Jean Wright

Three CSYO musicians were honored with merit scholarships at the 2011 Youth Festival. Alexandra Katlyn Mullins received the Betsy Knight award; Emily Krajewski, the Meg Hutchens award; and Sarah Sullivan, the Past Presidents' award.

Each year a committee comprised of Youth Symphony Con-



President Marta Fales (left) and Scholarship Chair Jean Wright present scholarships to Emily Krajewski (center), Alexandra Mullins, and Sarah Sullivan.

ductor Ernest Pereira and CSYO coaches choose the recipients. Approximately two weeks before the concert, I notified the parents and family of the winners. They have the option of letting their child in on the secret or keeping it for a surprise the night of the concert.

For me, the best times are behind the scenes. This year, Guild President **Marta Fales** and I showed up at the Pizza party to notify the recipients. While waiting in the wings for the presentation, I was impressed by their poise and composure.

On a Personal Note...



CONDOLENCES TO:

Virginia Rehn on the death of her father, and Sally Van Allen on the death of her husband.

WISHES FOR A QUICK RECOVERY TO:

Linda Daleure,
Barbara Mosley, and
Diane Tornberg.

If you know of items for "On a Personal Note" that The Guild should know of, please call **Ann Guild** at 704.895.8604.



We've Got Letters ...

Thank you so much for awarding me a scholarship at the Youth Festival Concert this past week. I also want to thank you for supporting CSYO and JYO; they are programs that have greatly impacted my life. These programs could not exist without your support, and for that I am truly grateful. Thank you!

*Sincerely,
Emily Krajewski*

Thank you so much for the musical petting zoo at ImaginOn Jan. 21. As the mother of a 3 year old who is incredibly interested in music but (as parents) we have no inclination ourselves, we were thrilled to go to see so many instruments in one place, and for him to get to play them as well! He got to try every single one and had a great time.

Thank you so much!!

*Barbara, Brian &
Ethan Morrow (3 yrs)*

The following was received from Gina Salvati, Development Director for *Communities In Schools*, for our donation of fifty tickets to the 24th Annual Youth Festival Concert on March 17:

Many thanks for your belief in our students and generous support. This was a wonderful experience for our students!

Directory Updates



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Participating in the Young Artists Competition sponsored by your guild was the culmination of my endeavors thus far in my musical career. I can't tell you how thrilling it was not only to compete on stage before three renowned musicians, but also to be awarded a category prize. The insightful comments I received from the judges are invaluable. My teacher and I clearly understood each of them, and we have been using them to improve my concerto. Thank you for the opportunity to compete in the Young Artists Competition. I am excited to enter it again next year.

*Sincerely,
Chambers Loomis*

Underwriting Opportunity

We receive underwriting contributions to help enhance the quality of our newsletter.

Underwriting is a valuable tool, one that continues to be supported by a faithful group of members to whom we are extremely grateful. If you would like your name added to this list, please take this opportunity to forward a check to The Symphony Guild of Charlotte, Inc. Although we request underwriting of \$50 a year, we will accept donations in any amount.



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Calendar of Events

APRIL

- 1/2 Classics 9, Oratorio Singers, Belk Theater, 8:00 pm
- 8/9 Pops 6, "Rodgers & Hammerstein at the Movies," Belk Theater, 8:00 pm
- 21 **Guild Member, Board & Committee Chair Meeting**, Pfeiffer University, 6:00 pm (Reports and Notebooks Due)
- 29/30 Pops 7, "That Amore!," Deana Martin and Frank Portone, Belk Theater, 8:00 pm
- 30 **Musical Petting Zoo** before CSO Lollipops 4, Belk Theater, 10:00 am

MAY

- 6/7 Classics 10, Stephen Hough, piano, Belk Theater, 8:00 pm
- 9 JYO Spring Concert, Halton Theater, CPCC, 7:30 pm
- 11 **O'-ver-ture Luncheon**, Heaton Hall, Myers Park Baptist Church, 12:00 noon
- 16 CSYO Spring Concert, Halton Theater, CPCC, 7:30 pm
- 19 **Guild Member/Board Meeting**, Pfeiffer University, 11:30 am
- 20 KnightSounds 4, Knight Theater, 7:00 pm
- 21 Pops 8, Chris Botti, Belk Theater, 8:00 pm
- 25 **Guild General Members Annual Meeting**, TBD
- 31 **Guild Board & Committee Chairs End-of-the-Year Celebration**, 4037 Woodfox Drive, 4:00 pm

JUNE

- 5 CSYO Concert, Symphony Park, SouthPark, 7:00 pm