



# News and Updates

*Music acts like a magic key, to which the most tightly closed heart opens. -  
Maria von Trapp*

## Reflections on a Successful 22<sup>nd</sup> Season

Dear Patrons of Sacramento Symphonic Winds,

The Sacramento Symphonic Winds had a highly successful 2024-2025 season, as we moved all our regular concerts to Capistrano Hall on the campus of Sacramento State. In my mind, highlights of our season included our March 2025 Leonard Bernstein Tribute concert, featuring the wonderful Symphonic Dances from West Side Story, our community outreach concert combined with Mitch Evett's fantastic band students at Rio Americano High School in April, and having renowned clarinet soloist Sandra McPherson join us as a featured soloist in our May concert.

It has been my privilege and pleasure to serve as the Music and Artistic Director of the Sacramento Symphonic Winds for the past three years. I want to express my sincere thanks to our patrons who attended our concerts and continue to support the Sacramento Symphonic Winds and live music in general. A sincere thanks also to all the musicians of the ensemble itself for your hard work in preparing the music we performed this season. I look forward to next season with excitement and anticipation and am keen to make music with you again.

Sincerely,

*Matthew Morse*

A poster for the 22nd Concert Season concert titled "LONG AGO AND FAR AWAY". It features a blue and gold background with musical notes and a globe. Text includes: "22ND CONCERT SEASON", "LONG AGO AND FAR AWAY", "DR. MATTHEW MORSE, MUSIC &amp; ARTISTIC DIRECTOR", "JOURNEY THROUGH TIME AND SPACE WITH US", "AMERICAN HYMNOSNG SUITE", "BIG BANDS IN CONCERT", "STAR WARS TRILOGY AND MORE!", "Sunday, October 6, 2024", "2:30 pm", "Tickets at the door: \$15 general admission, \$10 students", "California State University, Sacramento, Capistrano Concert Hall, 6000 J Street, Free parking in Structure 1", and "www.sacwinds.org \* Facebook \* Instagram \* 916-489-2576".

A poster for the 22nd Concert Season concert titled "A Christmas Fantasy". It features a red and gold background with musical notes and a sleigh. Text includes: "22nd Concert Season", "A Christmas Fantasy", "Dr. Matthew Morse, Music &amp; Artistic Director", "Take a fantastical Sleigh Ride with us in our concert featuring:", "American Dances by Alfred Reed", "Rossini's Barber of Seville Overture", "Polka Narrated by pian. Telecamo", "and a sack full of holiday favorites!", "Sunday December 8, 2024", "2:30pm", "Tickets at the door: \$15 General Admission, \$10 Students", "California State University, Sacramento, Capistrano Concert Hall, 6000 J Street, Free parking in Structure 1", and "www.sacwinds.org \* Facebook \* Instagram \* 916-489-2576".

A poster for the 22nd Concert Season concert titled "A PLACE FOR US: A LEONARD BERNSTEIN TRIBUTE". It features a purple and white background with musical notes and a city skyline. Text includes: "22ND CONCERT SEASON", "A PLACE FOR US: A LEONARD BERNSTEIN TRIBUTE", "DR. MATTHEW MORSE, MUSIC &amp; ARTISTIC DIRECTOR", "Capistrano Candide Suite", "Production from 'Jeremiah', Symphonic No. 1", "Three Dance Episodes from 'On the Town'", "Symphonic Dances from 'West Side Story', Sings", "Sunday March 9, 2025", "2:30 pm", "Tickets at the door: \$15 General Admission, \$10 Students", "California State University, Sacramento, Capistrano Concerto Hall, 6000 J Street, Free parking in Structure 1", and "www.sacwinds.org \* Facebook \* Instagram \* 916-489-2576".

A poster for the 22nd Concert Season concert titled "Spring Serenades". It features a green and white background with musical notes and a city skyline. Text includes: "22nd Concert Season", "Spring Serenades", "Dr. Matthew Morse, Music &amp; Artistic Director", "Featuring clarinet soloist Sandra McPherson performing Concertino for Clarinet op. 26, Carl Maria von Weber", "Also featuring music from Star Trek: the Motion Picture, Frank Ticheli's Shenandoah, National Emblem March", "Sunday, May 4, 2025", "2:30pm", "Tickets at the door: \$15 general admission, \$10 students", "California State University, Sacramento, Capistrano Concert Hall, 6000 J Street, Free parking in Structure 1", and "https://sacwinds.org \* Facebook \* Instagram".

Where words fail, music speaks.

- Hans Christian Andersen



### Thank you, Volunteers!

We'd like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the volunteers that helped us out over and over again through the season at our box office, as ushers at our concerts, as **players** filling in empty chairs in the ensemble, and in a variety of other roles and positions. We truly could not have done it without you!

**Peggy Adams, Susan Hamre, Kevin Le, Donna Miller,  
Chris Moore, Justin Respicio, Jordan Shippy, Jeff  
Wemmer, Sandi Wemmer**

### Keep playing this summer!

**ARC Summer Reading Band** – Mondays 7:00-8:30pm from June 9-July 14 at American River College. Free to attend, \$2 parking per night. Contact Anthony Marvelli at [MarvelA@arc.losrios.edu](mailto:MarvelA@arc.losrios.edu) or 916-484-8021

**Summer Band Reading Workshop** – Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm from June 4-July 9 at Tim's Music. \$60 for six-week program. All levels of players welcome. <https://bit.ly/3GQRm56>

**Summer String Reading Workshop** - Tuesdays Beginner 6:30-7:15pm, Intermediate 7:30-8:45pm from June 3-July 8 at Tim's Music. \$60 for six-week program. <https://bit.ly/43qolQW>

### THANK YOU

**CRIS HANCOCK and SHERYL MOSHER**

We want to give a huge **THANK YOU** to Cris Hancock and Sheryl Mosher for enduring two full days of scorching heat at the Carmichael Park Band Festival while running one of our season's biggest fundraisers. They loaded and unloaded scores of paintings multiple times over the course of the planning and executing of this wildly successful event. You are amazing!

### Music lessons, instruments, and a recording studio at the library?

Your Sacramento Public Library card provides all kinds of summer opportunities, too. Attend a lecture on music through Great Courses or find a class through Gale Courses or LinkedIn Learning, maybe learn a language, or simply take in a concert through the Qello or Classica concert services.

If virtual learning isn't your thing, the library also offers passes to CA State Parks and local museums. Get out and do something fun with your family or friends.

Other creative options are the library makerspace where, depending on the branch, various technology and tools are available for use, including studio quality sound recording equipment. There's also a "library of things" with tools, technology, and instruments, and even a seed library for your garden!

Don't live in Sacramento County? Check out your own local public library or make the short trip into a branch of the Sacramento Public Library and set up your own card.

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Music produces a kind of pleasure which human nature cannot do without. -  
Confucius

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Your generosity and support are a large part of what enables us to keep making music through each season. Thank you for your dedication to the Sacramento Symphonic Winds and to keeping music in your community. Please consider coming back to support us again next year.

Sincerely,  
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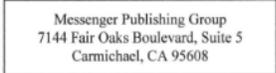
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