

Welcome to the KWCO!

Upcoming Important Dates:

Add to your Calendars

Spring Concert 2024

Saturday March 16th, 2024 8:00pm Start Time

Jung Tsai: Jean Sibelius: Violin Concerto Butterworth: The Banks of Green Willow Sibelius: Pan and Echo "Dance Intermezzo" Schubert: Unfinished Symphony

Spring Kiwanis Festival Concerto Competition Winners

Saturday June 1st, 2024 7:30pm Start Time Performers and Pieces TBA:

KWCO Chamber Music Night

Tuesday June 11th at 8:00pm Location TBA: Performers and Pieces TBA:

It's never too early to get a small ensemble together and work up something to perform for your fellow KWCO-ers and friends. More details to follow.

Holiday Break

The last rehearsal of 2023 will be on December 5th. The Christmas party is on December 12th at 174 Bridge Street West. Details to follow. The first rehearsal of 2024 will be January 9th.

Fall Concert Notes

The November 11th concert was very successful. Our wonderful soloist Nate Fanning was very pleased with our efforts.

The audience was approximately 126 including a number of students and lifetime members. The (unofficial) net for the concert was \$394. A big "thank you" to all of our front-of-house volunteers as well as the folk who helped transport the equipment and set up and tore down the stage.

Special thanks go out to Jackie Wall for her work to get donations to the KWCO. Thanks to her efforts, we have received an additional \$2,750 in donations from five separate donors. Well done Jackie.

As well, thanks to Jean Narveson for putting a promotion of the concert in "The Music Times" and squeezing it in on short notice. She was also kind enough to include the concert poster as well. Thanks Jean, and I'll be sure to give you the information for our March concert with more lead time for the March-April issue. To read the entire issue, check out

 $\label{eq:https://www.themusictimes.info/music-times-pdfs/2023-november-december} as well as the KWCMS site at$

https://www.k-wcms.com/KWCMS/Concerts/Concerts.html for additional concert dates and events.

Giving Tuesday

The KWCO is registered with the Giving Tuesday organization. The global Giving Tuesday celebration event will take place on November 28, 2023.

https://partners.givingtuesday.ca/partners/k-w-community-orchestra

Policies and Procedures

The mission statement and other general information about the KWCO can be found on the website at <u>https://www.kwco.org/resources</u> and following the link "Policies and Resources – Code of Conduct", updated October 2023. Most of this information should be obvious to most members but there are a few items which are new or modified.

- The board has adopted a "no-scent" policy for rehearsals and performances.

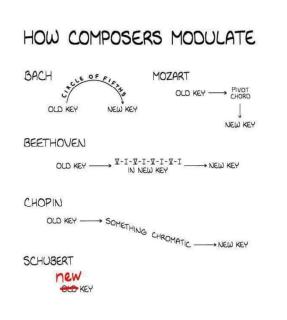
- The member dues have increased slightly to \$225 for the year or \$75 per concert. To make a payment, see Heather Rawlings ('Cello) or email

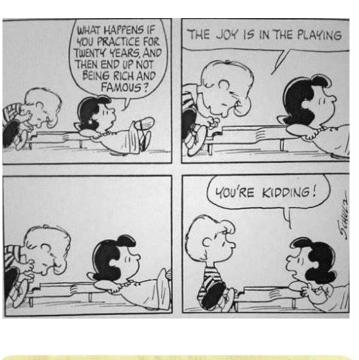
KWCOtreasurer@gmail.com.

- Concert tickets have increased slightly to \$22 (\$18 for college/university students and free for younger).

-Attendance: If you are going to miss more than a few rehearsals please let the personnel manager – Charlene – know at <u>attendance.KWCO@gmail.com</u>, Dan and your section leader know. This is important as Dan will arrange his rehearsal schedule to accommodate missing instruments and Charlene could help you arrange for a possible substitute. Creating a complete picture of the music is easier for learning.

For a nod to our upcoming "Unfinished Symphony" ...







Ongoing Miscellaneous Notes:

If you have any announcements or ideas for articles which you would like to see in the newsletter, please let me know.

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