

The Topeka Symphony

# Topeka Youth Orchestras 66th Season

November 19, 2023

3:00 PM

White Concert Hall



**Symphonette**

Carolyn Sandquist, Conductor

**Chamber Orchestra**

Ryan Masotto, Conductor

**Youth Orchestra**

Nicolas Carr, Interim Conductor



# AUDITIONS



**November 28th, 2023**

**5:30-9pm**

Garvey Fine Arts Center, Washburn University  
1700 SW Jewell Ave, Topeka, KS 66621

Visit [topekasymphony.org/tyo-auditions](https://topekasymphony.org/tyo-auditions)  
for more information!



Audition Material

Audition Registration Form  
(please fill out before audition)




## Symphonette Holiday Concert

Featuring music from their  
fall concert and Christmas Carols!

**12:00 PM – 12:30 PM**  
Saturday, November 25, 2023  
**Marvin Auditorium**  
Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library  
1515 SW 10th Ave, Topeka, KS 66604

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We invite questions, comments, or concerns. Visit our office located at 2303 SW College Ave. (10:00-3:00 Tuesday-Friday) or contact us via mail, phone, or email:

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**Thank you!**

The Topeka Symphony is grateful to Washburn University for their continued support of Topeka Symphony events.





## Topeka Youth Orchestras

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The **Topeka Youth Orchestras (TYO)** are sponsored by the Topeka Symphony Society. The TYO have been enriching the lives of young musicians in our community since 1957. This season, we are proudly offering three orchestral ensembles for students in grades 4-12. We are excited to welcome a new Interim Youth Symphony Conductor to our team: Nicolas Carr.

The Symphonette is a beginning level string orchestra and a wonderful training ground for younger string players as they will learn to play more challenging music throughout the season. The Chamber Orchestra is an intermediate/advanced string orchestra where students learn to play music above their average grade level. The Youth Symphony is a full symphonic orchestra that welcomes players of all traditional band and orchestral instruments. Students in the Youth Symphony will have the opportunity to perform traditional orchestral repertoire as they continue to strengthen their musical knowledge and abilities.

Students in the TYO perform two major concerts each season as well as other opportunities to perform in the community. Rehearsals for the TYO take place on Tuesday evenings in White Concert Hall and the Garvey Fine Arts Center on the campus of Washburn University. Auditions take place in the spring, end of summer, and November each year.

For more information on the TYO and how to audition, visit [www.topekasympphony.org/youth-orchestras/](http://www.topekasympphony.org/youth-orchestras/) or email [tso@topekasympphony.org](mailto:tso@topekasympphony.org).

Thank you for spending a fall afternoon with us as we celebrate the hard work and talent of the young people in the Topeka Youth Orchestras! The Board extends special thanks to Carolyn Sandquist (director of the Symphonette), Ryan Masotto (director of the Chamber Orchestra), and Nicolas Carr (interim director of the Topeka Youth Symphony). The work they do to help our young musicians develop their confidence and skills will have a lasting impact. Additionally, the Board thanks all the donors whose support makes the youth programming possible. Enjoy the concert!



**Michelle Ewert**  
*Board President,*  
*Topeka Symphony Society*

**from the  
President**

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## Symphonette

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### Violin 1

Berkley Batman\*\*, SHMS  
Kyla Fitzgerald, SHMS  
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Bella Whitney, SHMS  
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### Violin 2

Amelia Flores\*, SHMS  
Ayla Talley, SMS  
Daley North, SMS  
Journey Hunt, JSE  
Jace Jackson, WRMS

### Violin 2, cont.

Lily Barnhart, SMS  
McKinley Teal, SHMS  
Canaan Reid, BES  
Naomi North, IA  
Madison Hughes, EMS  
Benjamin Chew, HA  
Emmalyn Lojewski, SL

### Viola

Atlas Fitzgerald\*, TWHS  
Peyton Lawson, WRMS  
Alyson Moss, SHMS  
Claire Bacon, WRMS  
Leah Austin, LMS  
Jailyn Mies, SHMS  
Sophia Pittala, SHMS  
Weston Henley, HS  
Cannon Haugsness,  
WRMS

### Cello

Annie Wilson\*, HS  
Kolbee Dixon, SHMS

### Cello, cont.

Genevieve Stanley,  
SHMS  
Brooks Henderson, HS  
Peter Vincent, SHES  
Hayleigh Watson, SMS  
Penelope Houser, WR  
Simone Holloway, JMS  
Jakob Rouland, SHMS  
Elise Chilson, SHES

### Piano

Melissa Colbern

### Key

\*\* Concertmaster  
\* Principal

### Assisting Musicians

Zia Hisle, Violin  
Zoe Billau, Violin

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## Represented Schools

BES—Berryton Elementary School  
CPLS—Cair Paravel Latin School  
EMS—Eisenhower Middle School  
HS—Homeschool  
HA—Housecarl Academy  
IA—International Academy  
JMS—Jardine Middle School  
JSE—Jay Shideler Elementary  
LMS—Landon Middle School  
RMS—Robinson Middle School

SMS—Seaman Middle School  
SHES—Shawnee Heights Elementary  
School  
SHMS—Shawnee Heights Middle  
School  
SL—Silver Lake Junior High School  
TJBA—St. John Bosco Academy  
THS—Topeka High School  
TWHS—Topeka West High School  
WRMS—Washburn Rural Middle  
School

## Symphonette Conductor

**Carolyn Sandquist** is a native Topekan. She received her Bachelor of Music degree with honors from Washburn University and was awarded the Highest Scholastic Average in Theta Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota that year. As a graduating student of Washburn University, Carolyn earned the Music Department Academic Achievement and the Community Service Awards. Mrs. Sandquist has conducted the orchestras and taught Suzuki group classes for the Topeka String Project. Carolyn taught strings in USD 501 for 9 years including high school, middle school and elementary school levels. She also taught five years at Topeka Collegiate School.



For an extended bio, visit [www.topekasymphony.org/debut-orchestra-conductor/](http://www.topekasymphony.org/debut-orchestra-conductor/).

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## Symphonette Concert Program

Puff (The Magic Dragon)	Yarrow & Lipton arr. Cerulli
William Tell	Rossini arr. Isaac
Londonderry Air	arr. Hermann
El Toro	Brubaker

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### Represented Private Teachers

Steven Kile*	Dan McCready
Katheryne Kimmel*	Courtney Nottingham*
Gabriel Kniffen*	Tim Oathout
Kiana Jackson*	Carolyn Sandquist*
Sue Johnston*	Becky Tickenor
Ryan Masotto*	
Donita McClelland*	* At least 3 students



## Chamber Orchestra

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### Violin 1

Rycardo Mariano, SHMS  
Haniel Arbon, WRMS  
Elias Gilbert, SMS  
Noah Allen, SHHS  
Nerissa Kealy, SHMS  
Pujitha Goddam, THS

### Violin 2

Itzel Woods, LMS  
Mary Martinez, WRMS  
Johnathan Posh, SHS  
Teva Thooft, HS  
Lucy Wilson, HS

### Viola

Natalie Searles, SHHS  
Carter Ryan, SHHS  
Shelby Watson, SHHS  
Daxton Seel, SHMS

### Cello

Leo Roenfeldt, FSHS  
Grace Olejnik, RHS  
Parker Matteson, WRHS  
Raya Potter, LMS  
Morgan Boose, WRHS

### Bass

Whisper Tiscarenio, HPHS  
Elijah Lewis, HPHS

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### Represented Schools

FSHS—Free State High School  
HPHS—Highland Park High School  
HS—Homeschool  
LMS—Landon Middle School  
RHS—Rossville High School  
SMS—Seaman Middle School  
SHS—Seaman High School

SHMS—Shawnee Heights Middle School  
SHHS—Shawnee Heights High School  
THS—Topeka High School  
WRMS—Washburn Rural Middle School  
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### Represented Private Teachers

Martha Barnhill  
Christine Broxterman  
Sue Johnston  
Gabriel Kniffen  
Krista Lane

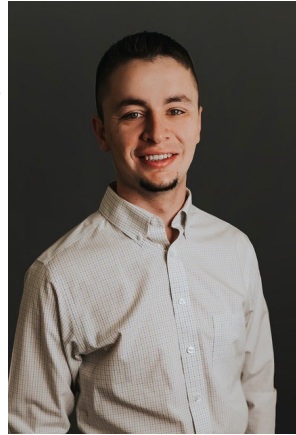
Malory Lysaught  
Ryan Masotto\*  
Carolyn Sandquist\*

\* At least 3 students



## Chamber Orchestra Conductor

**Ryan Masotto** is a native of the St. Louis metro area where he began playing violin at the age of 9. He received his Bachelor's in Music Education and Viola Performance from Washburn University and his Master of Music in Viola Performance from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He is currently the orchestra director for Shawnee Heights where he teaches grades 5-12. Ryan serves as the principal violist for the Lawrence Community Orchestra and is a member of the Topeka Symphony Orchestra. He also remains active with several other ensembles in the area. Additionally, he teaches private violin and viola lessons where his students have seen notable success.



For an extended bio, visit [www.topekasymphony.org/chamber-orchestra-conductor/](http://www.topekasymphony.org/chamber-orchestra-conductor/).

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## Chamber Orchestra Concert Program

Water Music Suite

I. Air

IV. Finale

Elias Gilbert and Rycardo Mariano, soloists

G.F. Handel

arr. Forest R. Etling

Two Elegiac Melodies, Op. 34 Edvard Grieg

I. Herzwunden (Wounded Heart)

Concerto No. 4 in G Major, “*Alla Rustica*”

I. Presto

II. Adagio

III. Allegro

Cathy Altman, harpsichord

Antonio Vivaldi



## Youth Symphony

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### Flute

Samantha Henderson, SMHS  
Miriam Smith, WRHS  
Hohenheim Flesher, WA

### Oboe

Lizzy Birch, WRHS

### Clarinet

Isabel Ferguson, TNHS  
Daanya Naseem, SHHS

### Bassoon

Brody Campbell, SHHS  
Hava Davis, SHHS

### Trumpet

Julian Ramcharan, TWHS  
Matias Bledsoe, TWHS  
Beckham Carr, WRHS

### Horn

Elijah Grindal, WRHS  
Mara Grau James, SHHS  
Blaine McVey, WRHS  
Angelina Naseem, SHHS

### Trombone

Sam Garner, SHMS  
Roshawn Mosley, SHHS

### Percussion

Kinsley Fitzgerald, SHHS  
Kaitlyn Rambo, SHHS

Matthias Shipps, SHHS

### Violin 1

Zia Hisle, CPLS  
Amelia Gatschet, CPLS  
Marguerite Maradona, SMHS

### Violin 2

Zöe Billau, SHHS  
Zoe Roth, LUOA

### Viola

Adyson Ping, SHHS  
Madison Teal, SHHS  
Drew Deering, LVS

### Cello

Damon Wolf, SHS  
Nicole Finney, WRHS  
Joseph Newport, HS  
Nicolás de Andrés Barreiro, THS  
Isaac Peterson, SHHS

### Bass

Camp LeDuc, SHS  
Atticus Seagraves, THS

### Assisting Musicians

Gabriel Kniffen, Violin  
Ryan Masotto, Violin  
Emily Winterberg, Viola

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## Represented Schools

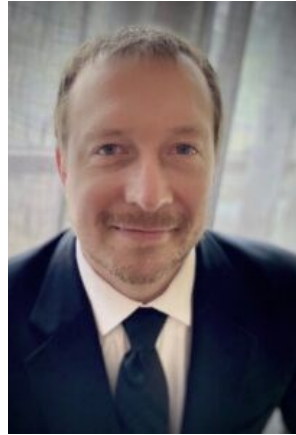
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WRHS—Washburn Rural High School  
WA—Winget Academy

## Youth Symphony Interim Conductor

**Nicolas Carr** is the Director of Choral Studies for Shawnee Heights Public Schools, Tecumseh, Kansas. He holds a Master of Music Education, Choral Conducting emphasis from Kansas State University, and a Bachelor of Music Education from Washburn University.

Nicolas has 20 years of experience directing a variety of musical groups including strings, band, handbells, choral groups (secular and religious), musical theater, and barbershop groups. He is gifted at making music theory, conducting, music history, and instrumental/vocal techniques accessible to all ages.



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## Youth Symphony Concert Program

Fanfare for the Common Man    Aaron Copland

Artemis Rising    Jeffery Bishop

Sym. No. 1 in C Maj., Op.21    Ludwig van Beethoven  
I. Adagio Molto

Sym. No. 8 in G Maj., Op. 88    Antonin Dvorak  
IV. Allegro ma non troppo (Finale)

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### Represented Private Teachers

Dr. Bryce Call  
Dr. Zsolt Eder  
Barry Evans  
Sue Johnston  
Ryan Masotto

Dr. Rebecca Meador  
Erinn Renyer\*  
Carolyn Sandquist  
Geri Turvey

\* At least 3 students

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### Topeka Symphony Concerts

December 2, 2023 — #MostWonderfulTime

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March 30, 2024 — #ItalyTravel

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