



IYOSG, INC.

INTERNATIONAL
YOUTH ORCHESTRA
STUDY GROUP

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We Need and Value Your Support

To established and dedicated friends of the symphony:

I am making this request for your support because you know how important it is to maintain our symphony orchestras. You know this because you have in the past supported and provided sponsorship to orchestral music and the groups that perform that music. Some of you have contributed to endowed chairs in those orchestras as you looked toward the future and wanted nothing more than to ensure continued wonderful performances by gifted artists playing the music of the classics.

At some point in time you must have realized that these outstanding artists, like the symphony itself, all had a beginning. And as the symphony grew in scope, size, and complexity through Haydn, Beethoven, Brahms, Bruckner, *et al*, so did the orchestra for which it was written. Each new demand by a composer evoked a complementary advance from the orchestra, eventually evolving into the orchestra of Mahler and Ravel - which is to say, the standard one-hundredpiece orchestra that graced the beginning of the twentieth century.

As more and more Americans heard and graced orchestras throughout America, young musicians also heard the wonderful sounds of the symphony and aspired to become one with those sounds as a member of an orchestra. Today we must look toward our talented youth to fill the seats of those orchestras of the future that you have supported in the past.

Not all of those young musicians will attend our more famous conservatories, but they must get their start someplace. It is our goal... our mission ... to provide one of those training facilities.

To all of you who visit this IYOSG web site page, interdisciplinary education can do wonders. Understanding and flexibility can do wonders. Yes, we even know money can do wonders. But the energy, the energy to put all these wonders into action - where does it come from? We, and our friends and associates throughout the world believe it will come from where it has always come from: it will come from the love of music, the sheer aesthetic delight in this most mysterious and rewarding of all the arts. We have placed our sacred trust in the instinct for continuity, and the joyful and total dedication of our selves to the art we have sworn to serve. I ask you now to swear that oath with us as you read our request for support.

The future seats in orchestras throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey will and can be filled by young talented musicians who have entrusted their potential future careers to our organization and our staff of proven professional instructors who have themselves filled the seats in many of those very orchestras.

Your consideration of our request for support can guarantee that some young musician will begin their career actually performing in a full symphony orchestra. That orchestra is part of our training curriculum. To support our goals to provide this training, I ask that you consider a donation to one of our levels listed on the accompanying form.

Thank you for your consideration of our request and for your continued support and love of symphonic music.

Sincerely,

William F. Chambrès

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