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### Des Moines Symphony news

#### A Suite Romance

Nicola Benedetti, violin

Saturday, March 31, 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 1, 2:30 p.m.

Handel: Overture to Music for the Royal Fireworks

Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto in E Minor

Dukas: Symphony in C Major

Nicola Benedetti, BBC Musician of the Year 2004, makes her Des Moines debut performing Mendelssohn's hauntingly beautiful Violin Concerto in E Minor. Nicola is a rising star in the world of classical music, and at the age of 19, inspires young musicians. Handel's Overture to the Royal Fireworks and Dukas' impressive *Symphony in C* showcase the orchestra. To learn more about Nicola, visit <http://www.dmsymphony.org/worldtour/bios/benedetti.htm>. Visit the Civic Center Box Office or call 515-243-1888 to purchase tickets.

#### Meet the Maestro

Middle and high school students and their parents are invited to meet Maestro Joseph Giunta and Nicola Benedetti before the April 1 performance. Sponsored by the Des Moines Symphony Alliance, discussions range from the content of the day's program to the challenges facing a professional musician and provide special insight to the classical music world. **April 1, 1:30 pm with Guest Artist Nicola Benedetti at the Civic Center.**

**Katheryn Allen**, winner of the Young Artist Competition, performed March 28 with the Des Moines Symphony on the annual Youth Concerts. Almost 4000 elementary students from central Iowa attended these concerts. They were treated to Katheryn's performance of a Liszt Piano Concerto as well as Handel's *Overture to the Royal Fireworks*, Walton's *Crown Imperial March*, and selections from Rimsky-Korsakov's *Capriccio Espagnole*.

### Program Information

Spring Session Classes begin April 2!

To register, go online [www.dmsymphony.org/academy](http://www.dmsymphony.org/academy) or call Registrar Joshua Barlage at 280-3332.

### **Summer 2007 Camps and Workshops**

*Join the fun at the Academy this summer!*

**Harp Ensemble** – June 11-14, concert June 14. Instructor: Mary Foss

**Composition Workshop** – June 12, 19, 26 (no concert). Instructor: Ray Songayllo

**Piano Camp** – June 25-28, concert June 28. Instructor: Rachel Fritz

**Fiddle Camp** – July 9-13, concert July 13. Instructors: Amanda Langston and Jenny Graham Zimmerman

**Flute Choir Workshop** – June 14, 21, 28, July 12, 19, 26; concert July 26.  
Instructor: Anne Stein

**NEW! Intro to Jazz Flute Workshop** – August 6-10, concert August 10.  
Instructor: Anne Stein

**Summer registration is open now online, by phone, in person, and by mail.**

Summer flyers are available at the Temple, or by calling 280-3332. For recommendations, please consult your instructor. Visit [www.dmsymphony.org/academy](http://www.dmsymphony.org/academy) for additional information or to register.

### **Greater Des Moines Youth Symphonies Concerts**

The **Chamber Orchestra** will perform **Monday, April 30 at 7:30 pm** in the Grand Hall at the Temple for Performing Arts. Under the direction of Maestro Joseph Giunta, this small ensemble consists of a select group of players from the Youth Symphony. Repertoire will include Haydn's Symphony no. 101 in D Major (the "Clock" symphony) and William Boyce's Symphony no. 5 in D Major. Chamber Orchestra members will also be featured as soloists. Chris Haak will perform the Fasch Bassoon Concerto in C Major, and Sam Wells will perform the Telemann Trumpet Concerto in D Major. Admission is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. Please join us for classical music played by rising stars!

The **Sinfonia Orchestra** will present a concert **Tuesday, May 22 at 7:00 pm** in the Grand Hall at the Temple. Under the direction of Matt Meyer, Sinfonia is the beginning orchestra in the Greater Des Moines Youth Symphonies. Students hail from Des Moines and surrounding communities for weekly rehearsals at the Academy. This concert is free of charge and open to the public.

### **Performances**

#### **Academy Spring Recitals at the Temple for Performing Arts**

**Senior Flute Recital – Caroline Beall and Chelsea Wion, students of Anne Stein**

Sunday, April 1 at 2:00 pm

**John Helmich Violin and Piano Studio Recital**

Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 pm

Pieces by Bach, Vivaldi, Viotti, Spohr and Wieniawski

**Anne Stein Flute Studio Recital**

Sunday, April 22 at 2:00 pm

**Senior Vocal Recital – Caitlin Krater, student of Anne Stein**

Sunday, April 22 at 5:00 pm

**Anne Stein Vocal Studio Recital**

Sunday, April 29 at 6:00 pm

**Senior Flute/Vocal Recital – Brianna Upton, student of Anne Stein**

Sunday, May 6 at 4:30 pm

**Irina Kaplan Piano Studio Recital**

Sunday, May 13 at 2:30 pm

Works by Offenbach, J.C. Bach, Beethoven, Kabalevsky, MacDowell, Burgmuller, Clementi, Chopin, J. Strauss, Schubert, Schumann, Bartok, Gurlitt, Rubenstein, and Grieg

**Announcements****FOR SALE**

Full size (4/4) Rieman hand carved Wilhelm violin with full size bow (recently re-haired). Oblong violin case with velvet lining. Includes shoulder rest, mute, damp-it, and metal music stand. \$800 or best offer. Would like to find a good home for this violin! Contact Debi Bull at (515) 277-4251 or [djb@brownwinick.com](mailto:djb@brownwinick.com).

**Upcoming Events**

**Civic Music Association** has a special offer for Symphony Academy Students and their Families!! Are you interested in showing your children a live musical performance? Do you want to enhance their music education? Civic Music invites families to attend the Caitlin Tully concert at a **SPECIALLY REDUCED RATE!** The family package includes 2 adult tickets and 2 student tickets at a 10% discount.

**Caitlin Tully, violin**

**April 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm, Sheslow Auditorium, Drake University**

**7:15pm pre-concert talk prior to each show**

Adult ticket - \$24.50 (plus \$2 ticket fee)

Student ticket - \$12.50 (plus \$2 ticket fee)

Special Package Price - \$74.60 (includes all fees)

Additionally, Ms. Tully will be doing a lecture/demonstration at 10am on Friday, April 13th at the Downtown Des Moines Public Library. This event is open to the public.

For more information visit [www.civicmusic.org](http://www.civicmusic.org). Call the Civic Music office & mention this offer to receive special pricing (515) 280-4020.

## Joshua's Listening Suggestions

The snow has melted, daffodils are sprouting, and animals are waking from their winter slumbers. It is official that spring is here. With warmer weather and longer days, nature has blossomed into a new period of creativity. Composers are no exception to this natural urge to create. So, April's music listening suggestions contain pieces that received their premiere during the month of April.

### APRIL

BAROQUE	J.S. Bach	St. Matthew Passion (1729, Leipzig)
CLASSICAL	Beethoven	Symphony No. 1 in c minor (1800, Vienna)
ROMANTIC	Dvorak	Symphony No. 7 in d minor (1885, London)
IMPRESSIONISM/20TH CENTURY	Copland	The Tender Land (1954, New York)

Enjoy!

## OTHER HORIZONS

-submitted by Mark Movic

*Most are available at the library.*

Bela Fleck and Edgar Meyer - Music for Two

Alison Brown Quartet - Out of the Blue

Innocence Mission - Now the Day is Over

Jenny Scheinman – Shalagaster

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