

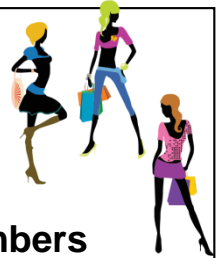
Vanguard

NEWSLETTER VANGUARD - ALBANY SYMPHONY, INC. NOVEMBER 2017, NO. 158



SHOP NOVEMBER 12, 2017
TALBOTS - Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany
1 to 4 P.M.

Delightful Music Provided by ASO Artists
New Fall Fashions Modeled By Our Own Vanguard Members



Talbots will donate 10% of all sales to Vanguard
What better way to raise funds for Vanguard – Albany Symphony, Inc. but to SHOP!

MESSAGE FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS



Vanguard has begun its new year with great strides: a successful first golf tournament (you know it's successful when, at the close of the day, participating golfers are already talking about how they will improve at next year's tourney); a beautiful Tea & Symphony on a spectacular day with outstanding refreshments at a gorgeous home; a fine trip to the Sagamore Resort with a Lake George cruise all within 30 days! During the same period, Vanguard's considerable volunteer force gathered to assemble and mail thousands of Symphony Gala invitations.

Not that the pace will diminish for the rest of the fall! The Symphony has asked for Vanguard members to be a helping presence at the season-opening Gala on October 14, greeting concertgoers and answering their questions, helping with reserved tickets and the like. The Symphony has already helped Vanguard, too, by producing mailing labels, designing program content and printing flyers. Concert prevues started, the first one October 13 at the Albany Public Library at noon. Prevues for the rest of the season also will be held at the Library the Friday before Saturday concerts. And, at the same time that we are welcoming 12 new members since July, we anticipate at least one more event before the holidays that we hope will engage both new and continuing members – and make more friends for Vanguard.

Another tradition continues: Talbot's will hold its annual Talbot-Vanguard sales event on Sunday, November 12, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Any sales during those hours will yield 10 percent to Vanguard. And this year Vanguard members will be modeling some of the outfits available for purchase! Write "Talbot's – Stuyvesant Plaza – 1 to 4" on your calendar for November 12!

Marilyn Hunter and Susan Jacobsen, Co-Presidents

Vanguard has just learned that a struggling refugee student in Troy is desperate for a violin. He is passionate about the instrument, but the school has none to give him. Might a Vanguard member, or friend of a Vanguard member, be willing to help him with the gift or loan of a violin to play? If so, contact Susan Jacobsen at 518.439-0459 or Jill Rifkin at 518.439-1843.



BEAUTIFUL MUSIC FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE



THE RITE OF SPRING

Saturday, November 18, 2017, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm, Palace Theatre, Albany

American composer, **David Del Tredici**

David Alan Miller, conductor

Charles Busch, narrator

DUKAS: The Sorcerer's Apprentice

DAVID DEL TREDICI: "Rip van Winkle" for Narrator and Orchestra

STRAVINSKY: The Rite of Spring

SUNDAY SYMPHONIES *for Families*

Mozart's Magical Musical Adventure

Sunday, November 19, 2017, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm, Palace Theatre

Dragons, brave princes and princesses, a cowardly birdman, and magical musical instruments...young Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart finds himself on a most amazing musical adventure. Help him, and a group of brilliant singers, create a masterpiece fit for the grand stage. It's destined to be a hit -- a new opera called "The Magic Flute."

This concert also features singers from the Bard College Conservatory Graduate Vocal Arts Program. **Come dressed as your favorite prince or princess. Dragons and wild creatures welcome!**



SUNDAY SYMPHONIES *for Families*

Magic Of Christmas

Sunday, December 3, 2017, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Palace Theatre

David Alan Miller, Conductor

Noel Liberty, Director of The Music Studio

Diane Warner, Director of the Capital District Youth Chorale

Jen Boland, Director of Boland School of Irish Dance

Celebrate the season with family and friends in Albany at the Magic of Christmas, the Capital Region's favorite Holiday spectacular.



1786: MOZART'S MIRACULOUS YEAR

Saturday, December 9, 2017, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm, 19:30 21:00 Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and

Sunday, December 10, 2017, 3 pm to 4:30 pm, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall

David Alan Miller, conductor

David Fung, piano

Wei Luo, piano

MOZART: Marriage of Figaro, Overture and Selections

MOZART: Piano Concerto No. 23

MOZART: Piano Concerto No. 24



BEETHOVEN'S FIFTH

Saturday, January 6, 2018, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm 19:30 21:30 , Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and

Sunday, January 7, 2017, 3 pm to 5 pm, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall

David Alan Miller, Conductor

Richard O'Neill, Viola

Schumann: Overture, Scherzo and Finale

Theofanidis: Viola Concerto

Beethoven: Symphony No. 5

SUNDAY SYMPHONIES *for Families*

Star Warriors: The Last Maestro

Sunday, January 28, 2018, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm, Zankel Music Center at Skidmore College

The Evil Emperor has outlawed all music in the galaxy. But, from the far reaches of a distant solar system, a mysterious wanderer appears to rally the "resistance," a small troupe of singers, to harness the force of song and destroy the Emperor's power. Is he "The Last Maestro?" Help him use the force of music to save the universe from the "Sound of Silence..."

This concert also features singers from the Bard College Conservatory Graduate Vocal Arts Program. Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars character. Storm Troopers and Jedi Masters welcome!

THE FINAL FIGURES ARE IN....

The venue for Showhouse 2017 was a house at 14 Pheasant Lane in Menands owned by Peter and Elena Spitalny which was first built in 1813 in Clifton Park but it could not remain on its original site because of rising water from a new dam. It was purchased at auction in 1952 by Dr. Edwin Goodwin, who had it dismantled so that it could be rebuilt on Pheasant Lane. An expansion of the house in 2005 added modern rooms which Showhouse visitors saw next to the original traditional ones from 1813.

The finished Showhouse was first seen on April 30, when 125 guests at the Preview Party toured the house and then went to the home of Herb and AnnMarie Ellis at 8 Pheasant Lane for a party catered by Old Daley Inn.

In addition to seeing the work of the 13 designers, Showhouse visitors were able to have lunches in the Café which were catered by Ben and Bill's Deli from Price Chopper/Market 32 and to make tax-free purchases in the Boutique of confections and craft items from area vendors. Special events, which were covered by the entrance fee, included designer-led tours and three Designer Days when visitors could meet designers in their rooms. Other events presented by area businesses included a cheese tasting, complimentary massages, a cooking demonstration with tasting and demonstrations on hair styling and skin care.

Showhouse 2017 can be considered an esthetic success. Visitors were impressed with it and the owners were pleased with the improvements made to their house. A profit of \$31,451 indicates that Vanguard's annual event has again supported the Albany Symphony with a significant contribution.

Ruth Cook, Chair

TEA AND SYMPHONY WRAP-UP

September 10 was a magnificent day, with sun shining and temperatures near 70. Could Vanguard have a more perfect day for our annual Tea and Symphony? Seventy members and guests enjoyed the gorgeous home of Peter and Elena Spitalny (owners of our 2017 Showhouse) who graciously opened their doors to Vanguard. Delicious refreshments were provided by our members.

Lynne Nisoff and Donna Teal, Co-Chairs



TRAVEL COMMITTEE

Vanguard's trip to Lake George on Friday, September 22, was a big success. Thirty-one people enjoyed a glorious day dining and boating at the famous Sagamore Hotel and Resort. We were treated to a fabulous four-course luncheon served by an attentive wait staff in brass-buttoned uniforms and white gloves in the Bayview Building.

After lunch we had the choice of walking or being escorted via van to the hotel and boat launch area. Walking down the many stairs to the lake proved to be a challenge for some people, but the view of the property and lake was breathtaking. We boarded The Morgan boat which is a 72-foot replica of a 19th century touring vessel. Our one-and-a-half hour narrated cruise took us to the northern part of Lake George, through the narrows and around some of the small islands. It was a delightful trip and one to be remembered.

Plans are in the works for a trip in November!

Anna Bray, Chair

A SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISER

Vanguard's 1st Annual Golf Tournament for ASO music education programs was a delight for the 52 golfers and 40+ dinner guests. Golfers uniformly expressed their satisfaction with Albany Country Club's outstanding course, the organization of the day, the contests and prizes and the dinner. A String Quintet from East Greenbush HS played during the "Happy Hour." Their presence and captivating music gave the evening just the right focus -- young, upcoming musicians remembering ASO visits to their school and demonstrating a great love and passion for their gift.



In total, this Fundraiser raised \$5,000. Plans are already underway for 2018! I am extremely grateful to a fabulous team Vanguard stalwarts including: Marilyn Hunter, Susan Jacobsen, Kathy DeWeese, Lynne Nisoff, Shirley Hunter, Julia Smart and Steve Corson. Many thanks for the trust and support of Ruth Cook, who willingly embraced and supported me from day one. Special thanks to Geoff Miller for his consultation and continuous support. As always, there are a number of Vanguard members who contributed cash and prizes that wish to remain anonymous, others who volunteered on the day of the event and still others who lent important moral support. Many thanks to our ASO partners for their support and participation. Lastly, thank you to David Alan Miller; his energy and support for this new venture was great. My sincere thanks to all that helped to make this Fundraiser a success.

Ramon Rodriguez, Chair



Welcome to the newest members of Vanguard:

Jolene Dirolf of Loudonville
 Mary Lenora Heffernan of Albany
 Anna Kuwabara of Averill Park
 Sophie Moss of Albany
 Susan Zampier of Halfmoon

VANGUARD OFFICERS (518 area code)

President	Marilyn Hunter	279-9353
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Corresponding Secretary	Joy Emery	584-0582
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Assistant Treasurer	TBD	
Technology Administrator	Lucy Song	487-1331
Past President	Ruth Cook	462-9464

VANGUARD/ASO SCHEDULE 2017-2018 SEASON

Tea and Symphony	Sunday, September 10, 2017, 2-4 pm	59 Old Niskayuna Rd., Loudonville
Board Meeting	Monday, September 25, 2017, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Newsletter Deadline	Friday, October 13, 2017	Lynne Nisoff
Pre-concert Prevues	Friday, October 13, 2017, noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, October 14, 2017, 7 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
ASO Gala	Saturday, October 14, 2017, 9 pm-11 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Board Meeting	Monday, October 23, 2017, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Fall Luncheon	TBD	
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, November 17, 2017, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, November 18, 2017, 7:30 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Sunday Symphony	Sunday, November 19, 2017, 3 pm	Palace Theatre
Board Meeting	Monday, November 27, 2017, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Magic of Christmas	Sunday, December 3, 2017, 3 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, December 8, 2017, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, December 9, 2017, 7:30 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
ASO Concert	Sunday, December 10, 2017, 3 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, January 5, 2018, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, January 6, 2018, 7:30 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
ASO Concert	Sunday, January 7, 2018, 3 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
Newsletter Deadline	Monday, January 15, 2018	Lynne Nisoff
Board Meeting	Monday, January 22, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Sunday Symphony	Sunday, January 28, 2018, 3 pm	Zankel Music Hall, Saratoga
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, February 9, 2018, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, February 10, 2018, 7:30 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
ASO Concert	Sunday, February 11, 2018, 3 pm	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall
Board Meeting	Monday, February 26, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, March 9, 2018, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, March 10, 2018, 7:30 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Newsletter Deadline	Thursday, March 15, 2018	Lynne Nisoff
Sunday Symphony	Sunday, March 18, 2018, 3 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Board Meeting	Monday, March 26, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Board Meeting	Monday, April 23, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Tiny Tots Concerts	Tues. & Wed., April 24 & 25, 2018	Museum of Dance, Saratoga
Tiny Tots Concerts	Thurs. & Fri., April 26 & 27, 2018	Ohav Shalom, Albany
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, April 27, 2018, Noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, April 28, 2018, 7:30 pm	Proctors Theatre, Schenectady
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, May 18, 2018, noon	Albany Public Library
ASO Concert	Saturday, May 19, 2018, 7:30 pm	Palace Theatre, Albany
Board Meeting*	Thursday, May 31, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church
Pre-Concert Prevues	Friday, June 1, 2018, noon	Albany Public Library
American Music Festival	Thurs., May 31 – Sunday, June 3, 2018	EMPAC, RPI, Troy
Annual Meeting	TBD	TBD
Board Meeting	Monday, June 25, 2018, 9:30 am	Delmar Reformed Church

*Please note change of Day for Board meeting.

A CALL FOR HELP!

Vanguard is in need of someone with accounting or bookkeeping experience to be our Assistant *Treasurer*.

The position of Assistant Treasurer is the Treasurer-Elect for a two-year term.

Please contact Marilyn Hunter at 518-279-9353 or Susan Jacobsen at 518-439-0459.



VANGUARD COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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ANNUAL MEETING

TBD

CONCERT PREVUES

Marcia Cockrell 459-1229

FALL/SPRING LUNCHEON

TBD

GARDEN PARTY/TEA & SYMPHONY

Lynne Nisoff 482-9170

Donna Teal 434-0945

HISTORIAN

Anne Brewster 269-4380

HOLIDAY PARTY

TBD

MAILING

Jean Fogarty 438-4740

Caroline Wirth 439-9417

MEMBERSHIP AND DIRECTORY

Susan Jacobsen 439-0459

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS FOR STUDENTS

TBD

NEW MEMBERS

Tina Bosco 456-8030

Jeanne Bourque 439-9757

Pat Fallek 765-4692

NEWSLETTER

Lynne Nisoff 482-9170

NOMINATING

Ruth Cook 462-9464

ORCHESTRA HOSPITALITY

Pat Corbett 784-4352

David Emanatian 235-1775

Joy Emery 584-0582

PUBLIC RELATIONS & PUBLICITY

TBD

SCHOLARSHIPS

Rosemary Brown 439-6832

SUNDAY SYMPHONIES

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