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Dear Friends of the Federal Way Symphony,

Welcome to our 40th Anniversary Celebration! We are so grateful for all of the support our community has shown us over those years. Whether you've been a board member, musician, staff, volunteer or concert-goer we appreciate your support.

We started even before 1983 as the Highline Symphony but found our permanent home in Federal Way. Symphony board members were key proponents of the Federal Way Performing Arts & Event Center and we were thrilled to inaugurate our new home in October of 2017 with a performance of Beethoven's joyous Ninth Symphony.

With your help, we weathered a global pandemic and have emerged stronger than ever under Music Director Adam Stern. As we complete our 40th season, we renew our commitment to keeping live music available, accessible and affordable in Federal Way. Thank you to everyone who has given us the support we need to achieve this end.

With gratitude,

Brought

Brandon Jenkins-Moak President, Federal Way Symphony Board of Directors

Join us for the 2023-2024 Season!



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Season Premiere: Things that Go Bump in the Night Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023 Ghost Rags, Liszt, Vaughan Williams, music from "Psycho"



Bach Family Reunion Sunday, Mar. 3, 2024 Works by J.S. Bach, his sons, and the "21st" of his 20 children

Holiday Concert Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023 Followed by FW City Tree Lighting



Big Band Concert Saturday, Jan. 27, 2024 Featuring Kevin Hicks,

Trombone

Season Finale Sunday, Apr. 14, 2024

A World Tour: Dresden, Buenos Aires, Lodore, Paris



Meet our Soloist Kate Mondragon

Kate Mondragon is a Puget Sound area local, growing up in Puyallup, WA. After leaving for her undergraduate and graduate studies, Kate returned to the area to become a prominent private flute instructor and freelance flutist. Kate maintains a private flute studio and conducts flute clinics and sectionals for school



districts throughout the region. She works with Student Orchestras of Greater Olympia, is a flute sectional coach for the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association, and is a sought-after adjudicator for solo and ensemble contests throughout the state.

Kate is the principal flute of the Federal Way Symphony, as well as the principal flute of the Bellevue Symphony. She has also performed with Symphony Tacoma, the Olympia Symphony, Lyric Opera Northwest and the Northwest Sinfonietta. She has performed in master classes with Alexa Still, Dr. Kyle Dzapo, and Ensemble Versailles. Kate received her Bachelor of Music degree in flute performance from California State University, Long Beach and her Master of Music degree in flute performance from University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Her principal teachers include Dr. Richard Soule, Dr. John Barcellona and Darrin Thaves. When she is not practicing, teaching, or rehearsing, Kate enjoys running, reading, gardening & spending time with friends and family, especially her husband Steven, children Freyja and Magnus, and boxer Raven.



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Masterpieces from Three Centuries

Adam Stern, conductor Kate Mondragon, flute

FRANZ JOSEPH HAYDN (1732-1809) Divertimento (Partita) in G, Hob. II:3

Allegro	Menuetto
Menuetto	Finale: Presto
Andante	

ANTONIN DVOŘÁK (1841-1904) Notturno in B

THREE AMERICAN WORKS FOR FLUTE AND ORCHESTRA HOWARD HANSON (1896-1981) Serenade for Flute, Harp, and Strings GAIL KUBIK (1914-1984) Nocturne (orchestrated by Adam Stern; world premiere performance) CHARLES GRIFFES (1884-1920) Poem for Flute and Orchestra Kate Mondragon, flute

INTERMISSION

FRANZ SCHUBERT (1797-1828) Symphony No. 5 in B-flat, D. 485

> Allegro Andante con moto

Menuetto: Allegro molto Finale: Allegro vivace

Federal Way Symphony in the community

One of the Federal Way Symphony's core values is "we are of our community." We love to give back through performances at community events, presentations at senior communities and schools and through funding scholarships for the next generation of musicians. Two of the organizations receiving scholarship funds from the Symphony are the Federal Way Youth Symphony and Key to Change.

Founded in 2007 with motto of "Excellence, Service, and World Education" the **Federal Way Youth Symphony** has served our community by encouraging students to develop their musical talents and leadership skills. The youth symphony rehearses weekly during the school year and performs three concerts per year at the Federal Way PAEC. For more information, visit <u>fwyso.com</u>.

Key to Change was founded and is directed by Dr. Quinton Morris. This breakthrough violin studio inspires underserved youth in the South Sound through world-class music instruction and supports their development as selfaware leaders. Students are provided with private, group and ensemble lessons, participate in master classes and perform in thrice-yearly recitals. For more information, visit <u>keytochangestudio.org</u>.

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