

DGMC closes season with May 3 program, vote

The last program of the 2015-16 Downers Grove Music Club--Downers Grove Public Library Music Series will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at the Downers Grove Public Library, 1050 Curtiss St.

Immediately following the program, members will discuss and vote on proposed changes to the DGMC bylaws. Your attendance is encouraged!

Program

Prayers and Laments for the People of Belgium

Danse lente

Adagio for Strings

Sursum Corda, from "Years of Pilgrimage, Year 3"

Donald E. Newsom, piano

Cesar Franck

S. Barber / arr. L. Rosen

Franz Liszt

Sonata for flute QV 1:12

Grave

Vivace di molto

Emily Fallert, flute
Barbara Dickerman, piano

Johann Joachim Quantz

From Walter Scott's *Lady of the Lake*

Ellen's erster Gesang

Ellen's zweiter Gesang

Ellen's dritter Gesang (Ave Maria)

Amy De Jong, mezzo-soprano
Charlotte Ewing, piano

Franz Schubert

Morceau de Concert

Jeremy Pike, French horn
Sarah Flanagan, piano

Camille Saint-Saens

Bless This House

Climb Ev'ry Mountain

Barbara Kellert, soprano
Charlotte Ewing, piano

**M. Brahe / H. Taylor
Rodgers & Hammerstein**

Nocturne Op. 55, Nr. 1

Charlotte Ewing, piano

Frédéric Chopin

Five Images

Cortège, Promenade, Day Dreams,

The Ballerina, The Dancing Sergeant

Chris Garofalo and Charlotte Ewing, piano four-hand

Norman Dello Joio

Piano Festival & Competition Winner Named

Honors Recitals feature Piano Festival winners

Winners of the 2016 Piano Festival & Competition were among 55 students invited to perform at two Honors Recitals held April 24 at the Downers Grove Public Library. The DGMC received 133 applications for this year's festival, Chair Elissa Metropoulos said.

David Guo won first place in the Senior Competition and was awarded \$450 by the Rotary Club of Downers Grove. The second-place finisher, **Jelena Mihajlovic**, was presented with a \$250 award from the Bea Chiswick Memorial Fund.

Junior Competition winner **Nicklas Nelson** was presented with a \$300 award from the Downers Grove Music Club fund. **Kyle Zhao** finished in second place and was awarded \$150 from the Bea Chiswick Memorial Fund.

Congratulations to the winners and to all who participated in this event.

2015 Rising Stars display their talent

Winners of the 2015 Rising Star scholarship awards took the stage April 5 to showcase their musical gifts for an audience of 80.

The program featured performances by **Amelia Smerz**, cello; **Akila Shanmugham**, piano; **Tiffany Leung**, piano; **Gabrielle Henderson**, voice and **Tim Edwards**, cello, who performed with his sister **Rachel Edwards**, violin, a 2006 Rising Star. The **DGN String Quartet** and the **Eisenhower Junior High School Jazz Band** also performed.

A video broadcast of the concert is available at the [DGS Fine Arts Cube](#). A selection of Tom Ewing's photos of the event are posted below. To see more of his work, please visit the [photo archive](#) on the [DGMC site](#).

New officers elected

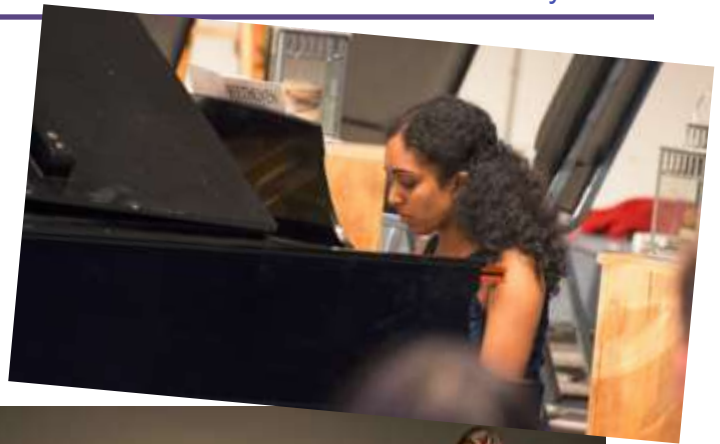
Mother-daughter duo **Charlotte Ewing** and **Kristina Phelps** were elected to the DGMC Board in April. Kristina will take over as Treasurer from Cindy Jensen, who is stepping down at the end of this program year. Kristina recently earned her master's degree in accounting and passed all four CPA exams.

Charlotte, who was elected Vice President of Artistic Development, has been active in the DGMC for almost two decades, serving as newsletter editor for more than half of those years. She and her husband, Tom, currently manage the club's website. Charlotte is finishing a term as Member-at-Large.

The club is still in need of someone to serve as Member-at-Large for the 2016-17 season. If you are interested in this position, please contact Sarah Flanagan at sjett@cedarville.edu or 630-968-0105. This officer will be appointed by a

Rising Stars Program

April 5, 2016



Organizations and Events

Acappellago: Dennis Smith, director. Visit www.Acappellago.org or phone (708)484-3797 ext 2.

Cantores Community Choir: This non-audition group is open to anyone high school age and older who enjoys singing, wants to learn more about music and wants to perform a wide range of musical styles and genres. Under the direction of Belford Hernandez, this choir performs a wide variety of four-part musical literature and styles. Cantores Community Choir is a member of DGMC. For more information, call (630)999-1190 or visit www.cantorescc.org.

Downers Grove Choral Society: Visit www.dgcs.org.

Prayers of Remembrance, a concert featuring solemn prayers of honor and remembrance from two traditions and two eras will be held at **4 p.m., Sunday, May 1** in First United Methodist Church, 1032 Maple Ave., Downers Grove. The concert marks the premiere performance of *Kaddish* for chorus and orchestra by Chicago composer Paul Scherer. A performance of Mozart's *Requiem*, composed more than 200 years ago, completes the program. Featuring Carolyn Hart, soprano; Denise Gamez, mezzo-soprano; Klaus Georg, tenor; and David Govertsen, bass. John Patrick Rakes, artistic director. A discussion with Mr. Scherer, Dr. Rakes and Rabbi Andrea Cosnowski of Temple Etz Chaim, Lombard, will precede the concert at 3:15 p.m. Tickets are \$20, \$15 for seniors and \$5 for students in advance and \$22, \$17 for seniors and \$7 for students at the door and are available at Anderson's Bookshop, 5112 Main St., Downers Grove or 123 Jefferson Ave., Naperville or by visiting www.dgcs.org, or calling 630-515-0030.

Grant Street String Quartet: This quartet was formed in 2010 by four professional musicians in the western suburban area of Chicago. It is based in Downers Grove and is a member of DGMC. For more information, please visit www.grantstreetstringquartet.weebly.com.

Pianoforte Foundation: Thomas Zoells, executive director, and owner of the PianoForte Chicago piano store. Visit www.pianofortefoundation.org for information on upcoming piano concerts. At noon on the first Friday of every month, listen to the Pianoforte Salon Series Live on WFMT 98.7 FM or enjoy the live performance at the new home of PianoForte Studios, 1335 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Sinfonietta Bel Canto: Dan Pasquale D'Andrea, director. Concerts are held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5211 Carpenter St., DG. Individual tickets are available at the door. Single tickets are \$20 adults, \$17 seniors and \$7 students under 21, children six and under free (\$2 discount for advanced purchases). For more details, visit www.SinfoniettaBelCanto.org or call 630-384-5007.

The SBC Voice Competition Finalists will be presented at **3 p.m. Sunday, May 1**. As many as eight "SBC Voice" competition finalists will sing lyric solos and opera arias with orchestral accompaniment. A reception will be held following the concert where patrons will be able to meet the young vocalists, orchestra members and the conductor.

Village Voices: This group was founded in 2006 by Director Marilyn Wilgocki. It includes 32 singers. Their music includes spirituals, gospel tunes, jazz, Broadway show songs, folk music and other lighthearted choral music. Sarah Flanagan is their accompanist. For further information, visit www.villagevoicesdg.org or contact Marilyn at 630-971-1594.

Show your DGMC spirit this summer

Did you know you can [add the DGMC logo](#) to clothes you order from Land's End? The logo comes in two colorways for dark and light garments and is available for an additional \$5.95 per item. Visit the DGMC website, www.downersgrovemusicclub.org for more information -and hit the court, links or farmer's market in DGMC style.