

Dear Friends of the Southwest Symphony Orchestra,

Last year the SSO emerged triumphantly from difficult times. Thanks to individual supporters like you, robust ticket sales, corporate stakeholders, and a successful

gala fundraiser, our season "New World Reawakening" ended with a modest operating surplus.

Our 2022-2023 season begins on October 9 with "**\$\$SO Showcase**" featuring principal flutist Jennifer Darwell in Debussy's *Afternoon of a Faun* concluding with Respighi's *Pines of Rome* breaking open the floodgates!

On December 10 & 11, Incarnation Church in Crestwood and St. Stephen Church in Tinley Park host "**Home for the Holidays**" performances with the SSO. We are excited to collaborate with the Michael Teolis Singers and Moraine Chorale respectively in these community outreach concerts — a tradition with the orchestra.

Homegrown south-side talent will be on display in the SSO's March 5 concert featuring the "**SSO Youth Concerto Competition**Winner". The orchestra will also flex its muscles with Russian masterpieces by Tchaikovsky & Shostakovich.

Four fabulous soloists, the Trinity Christian College Concert Choir, St. Xavier Chorale and SSO meet on a sunny April 2 afternoon in "Fan-Club of the Opera". Allow yourself to be transported to another time and place, whether your heart is swept away by Nessun Dorma or selections from Carmen.

The season finale on May 21 features Joan Ellison in "**Get Happy – A Judy Garland Celebration**" when she shares the legacy of one of America's most treasured cultural icons. Dorothy's parting words in the *Wizard of Oz,* "**There's no place like home...**" recalls a return to a harmonious state of mind and place of refuge.

I invite you to make the Southwest Symphony Orchestra your home away from home this 2022-2023 season and to and take advantage of our subscription and single ticket options.

Best wishes,

David Crane Music Director

Plan your School's Field Trip Today!

Educational Concert Wednesday October 26, 2022 10 a.m.

PETER AND THE WOLF Acted out by the Jeannie McQueenie Puppet Co.

Plus an introduction to the families of instruments.

Ozinga Chapel - Trinity Christian College (Livestream will also be available)

Call 708-802-0686 for more information.

TO ORDER TICKETS:

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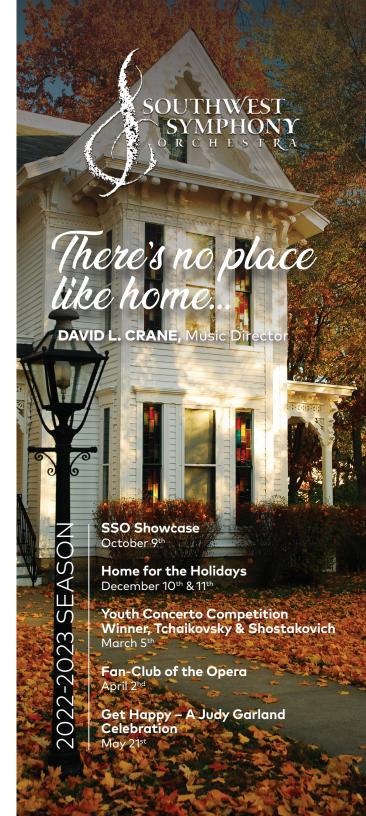




All concerts at Trinity Christian College
Ozinga Chapel Auditorium unless otherwise noted.
6601 West College Drive, Palos Heights, IL 60463







There's no place like home...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022 | 4:00 P.M.

SSO Showcase

Benvenuto Cellini Overture **Berlioz** Scenes Alsaciennes Massenet Afternoon of a Faun Debussy Pines of Rome Respighi

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.

Incarnation Church

5757 W. 127th St., Crestwood, IL 60418

Home for the Holidays at Incarnation

Michael Teolis Singers, guest chorus

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022 | 4:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church

17500 84th Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60487

Home for the Holidays at St. Stephen

Moraine Chorale, guest chorus Nick Thomas, Director

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023 | 4:00 P.M.

Youth Concerto Competition Winner, **Tchaikovsky & Shostakovich**

Romeo and Juliet Overture Tchaikovsky Youth Concerto Competition Winner

Symphony No. 5 Shostakovich

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 | 4:00 P.M.

Fan-Club of the Opera

La Forza del destino Overture Verdi Dôme épais from Lakme Delibes Largo al factotum from Rossini Barber of Seville L'amour est un oiseau rebelle Bizet (Habanera) from Carmen Au fond du temple saint from Bizet The Pearl Fishers Anvil Chorus from Il Trovatore Verdi Selections from Carmen Suite No. 2 Bizet Depuis le jour from Louise Charpentier Bella figlia dell'amore from Verdi Rigoletto Nessun dorma from Turandot Puccini Va Pensiero Verdi (Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves)





from Nabucco







Ronald Watkins









St. Xavier Chorale Thomas McNichols, Director



Joan Ellison soprano

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 | 4:00 P.M.

Get Happy - A Judy Garland Celebration

In celebration of Judy Garland's centennial, songstress Joan Ellison brings Judy's original symphonic arrangements back to life in a nostalgic trip from technicolor Hollywood to Carnegie Hall! (Arrangements used with the kind permission of the Judy Garland Heirs Trust.)

The hit parade includes "The Trolley Song," "The Man That Got Away," "Get Happy," "Come Rain or Come Shine," "Zing! Went the Strings of My Heart," "Almost Like Being in Love/This Can't Be Love" "The Palace Medley," "Stormy Weather," "The Boy Next Door," "Chicago," "That's Entertainment," "You Go to My Head" and, of course, "Over the Rainbow."