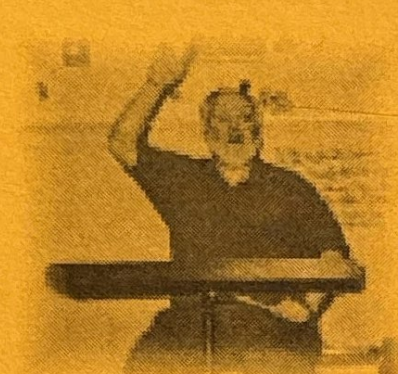


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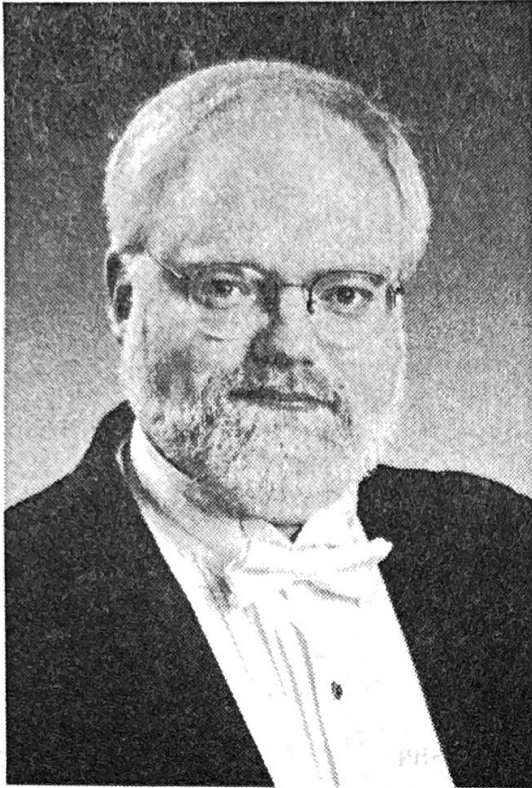
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Youth on Parade



plus the
Anchorage Junior Youth Symphony
and the
Elementary Honor Orchestra



Linn Weeda, Music Director

LINN WEEDA

Born and raised in Alaska, Linn Weeda received his master's degree at Boston University, where he studied trumpet with Armando Ghitalla and Roger Voisin, won the concerto competition and was student of the year.

Further studies after his Master's were with Julio Tancredi in trumpet, Larry Scripp in solfege, Charles Bruck in conducting at the Pierre Monteux School for Advanced Conductors, and with Gunther Schuller in conducting at the Schweitzer Institute. He has also studied with the principal trumpeters of the Atlanta, London, Los Angeles, and Rotterdam Orchestras.

Weeda's professional career has been quite varied. As a freelancer in Boston, he was a member of a variety of orchestras on the East Coast and has been heard nationally on National Public Radio performing on baroque trumpet with the Smithsonian Chamber players.

In addition, Linn has given recitals and performed concertos in a variety of venues in New England, Mississippi, and Alaska. He has performed as a soloist with the Arctic Chamber Orchestra on tour in Alaska and China, and with the Anchorage Festival of Music. Weeda has performed the Haydn Concerto with the Anchorage Symphony, and has appeared with the Suwon Philharmonic in Korea, the UAA Wind Ensemble and given recitals in New York.

As a conductor, Linn has led touring orchestras in a variety of locations in the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Germany. He has been music director of the Fairbanks Youth Symphony and founded the Tupelo, Mississippi Community Orchestra. In New England, he conducted a variety of ensembles and was staff conductor of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony. He has guest conducted a variety of orchestras, including the Fairbanks and Anchorage Symphonies. He has worked with the Anchorage Festival of Music, most recently as conductor of a concert of baroque music.

His work as conductor in the theater includes performances of the Lloyd Webber musicals "Jesus Christ Superstar" and "Evita." He has regularly conducted the Anchorage Symphony in the Annual Halloween concert and in Young People's Concerts.

Currently Linn is Assistant Music Director and Principal Trumpet of the Anchorage Symphony, Principal Trumpet of the Anchorage Opera and the Anchorage Festival.

In addition to his many credits as a performer, Linn has taught a variety of musical subjects in various settings ranging from marching band in public schools to university courses. He has taught at King's Lake Music Camp, UAF Summer Fine Arts Camp, and the Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival. Currently he teaches classes in ear training, solfege, music history, music appreciation, and trumpet at the University of Alaska, Anchorage.

He makes his home in Anchorage with his wife, Mary, who is a violinist and educator.



Kathryn Hoffer

CONDUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Kathryn Hoffer is Music Director and coordinator of the Elementary Honor Orchestra.

She is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music. She started teaching in 1969 and is currently responsible for the orchestra classes in seven elementary schools in the Anchorage School District. In addition, she coaches the first violin section of the Anchorage Youth Symphony and is a member of the Board of Directors for Alaska String Camps. She was named Alaska Music Educator of the Year in 2002 by the Alaska Music Educators Association.

Ms. Hoffer has been a member of the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra since 1974 and has been concertmaster for 20 years. She was named BP Woman of Achievement by the YWCA in 2003.

She is the mother of Heike Hoffer, a former Anchorage Youth Symphony oboist, who recently completed a masters degree in oboe performance, and also of Hans Hoffer, former Anchorage Youth Symphony cellist who is working on a degree in cello performance.

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CONDUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Joy Sharpe has been an orchestra teacher in the Anchorage School District for more than twenty years. During that time she has taught at West High School, Romig Middle School, Polaris, and seventeen different elementary schools. She currently teaches at Gruening Middle School and two elementary schools in Eagle River. In addition to her regular teaching activities she frequently has taken on other organizational responsibilities. As a high school teacher she often coordinated the All State Orchestra and Solo and Ensemble Festivals. She presently serves on the Board for the Alaska String Camps. She has twice served as president of the Alaska String Teachers Association. In 1999 she received the Alaska Music Educators Teacher of the Year award.

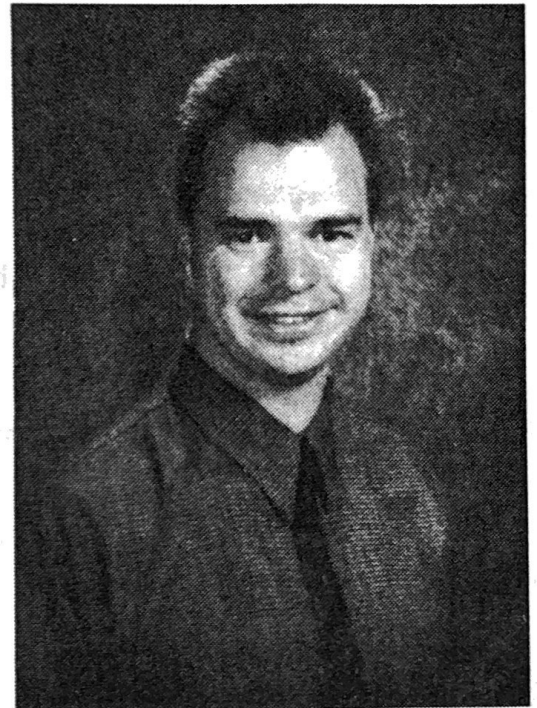


Joy Sharpe

Mrs. Sharpe continues to play her violin or viola regularly. She frequently plays in orchestras, but especially enjoys smaller chamber ensembles. She is also involved in music at her church.

During a twelve year hiatus from her school teaching career when her children were young, Mrs. Sharpe maintained a large private violin and viola studio in her home. Her children, now adults, are both alumni of the Anchorage Youth Symphony. Her son, a professional string bassist who has performed on five continents, teaches music at Texas Tech University. Her daughter is an archaeologist who continues to play violin in the Cascade Symphony Orchestra of suburban Seattle. Mrs. Sharpe knows that Youth Symphony makes a lifetime impact on its members!

Brendan Wilson is in his fourth year as the Band Director at Gruening Middle School in Eagle River. Brendan grew up in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and earned his Bachelors Degree in Music Education at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. After graduating, he worked for two years as a Middle School Band Director at Dafoe Middle School in Wautoma, Wisconsin. In 1993 he moved to Cedaredge, Colorado, where he directed the Middle and High School bands and choirs for six years before relocating to the Anchorage area. Mr. Wilson recently completed his Masters Degree in Technology in Education through Lesley College of Cambridge, Massachusetts.



Brendan Wilson

ANCHORAGE JUNIOR YOUTH SYMPHONY

Violin I

Gena Beam - G
Jessica Beck - GR
Amy Bradford - C
David Chang - M
Chris Chong - M
Christy Gentemann - GR
Michelle Hart - R
Yeorim Kim - R
Yong Kim - H
Aaron Lim - M
Anna Lovering - GV
Jaclyn Marugame - GV
Isaac Park - R
Jamie Waldock - H
Anastasia Ward - GV
Rosalind Worcester - C
*Whitney Yang - C

Violin II

Katie Cusack - W
Heather Fison - NL
Min-Ho Hyun - M
Ryan Jarvis - GR
Stephanie Jayich - GV
Aaron Jokela - P
*Hyunkyung Kang - M
Jenny Kim - H
Jin-Ah Kim - H
Erin Lamothe - GV
Valeria Mashkova - C
Forrest Meyen - GR
Amie Stanley - GR
Ashley Stokes - GR
Maura Walsh - W
Sophie Walsh - W
Jazmine Williams - H
Robert Wood - W

Viola

Kaeli Braden - C
Chia-yu Chiang (Yu-yu) - M
*Anson Moxness - C
Harley Neel - GR
Matthew Park - M
Stephanie Ririe - GV
Leyna Rynearson - R
Robert Taylor - M

Cello

Justin Bool - GV
Declan Boyd - C
Denali Brothers - W
Kyle Jennings - GR
Joy Kil - H
*Krystal Pickering - H
Brad Ramsey - C
Josh Reidell - C
Max RoseFigura - R
Jasmine Saxby - M
Christina Waters - S
Ian Worthington - P

String Bass

Dylan Kutzer - GV
*Paul Senner - R

Flute

Sarah Gerd - GV
Amelia Josephson - R
Ellen Meiser - M
*Jennifer Rinker - H
Mary Vilorio - GR

Oboe

*Lindsay Brudzinski - GR
Dana Tower - GV

Clarinet

Li-Sha Bloomfield - NL
Celine Dammond - C
Chi-Hyun Kim - GV
*Elyse Shellenbaum - GV

Horn

Kimpton Jory - M
*Katie Munter - GV

Trumpet

Stephen Bergstrom - C
*Mitchell Martineau - GV
Eric Packer - GV
Ashley Peachey - C

Trombone

*Rachel Boyer - ML

Tuba

*Alena Gerlek - R

Percussion

Brady Byers - M
Micah Foster - GV

Key:

C Central
G Girdwood
GR Gruening
GV Golden View
H Hanshew
M Mears
ML Mirror Lake

NL Northern Lights
P Polaris
R Romig
S Stellar
W Wendler

* Principal

ANCHORAGE YOUTH SYMPHONY

Violin I

Emily Bliss
 Concertmaster
 Erika Beheim
 Amanda Kerr
 Sarah Hillebrand
 Adam Stewart
 Danielle Bachman
 Matt Smith
 Elizabeth Dickenson
 Elan Wong
 Emily Yen
 Anna Remillard
 Allison Davis
 Martha Leffek
 Robert Yoon
 Kaity Morris
 Alexandra Sprano

Violin II

Lesley Lepley
 Principal
 Jay Han
 Kristy Wood
 Hyunseung Kang
 Jing Liu
 Lizzie DeYoung
 Justin Lee
 Laura Schierbaum
 Maxine Kim
 Jennifer Sullivan
 Richard Regacho
 Julie Fontenot
 Shannon Kuhn

Viola

John Hanson
 Principal
 Britta Helm
 Brita Johnson
 Kara Beard
 Jesse Chang

Cello

Kaiya Reeve
 Principal
 Kara Davis
 Nick Riordan
 Jessica Lee
 Paul Swanson
 Kelsey Johnston
 Brandon Park
 Eric Ely
 Ryan Manwaring
 Elizabeth Knapp

String Bass

Nora Smithhisler
 Principal
 Larissa Kozisek
 Janie Cowan

Flute

Fiona Rose Worcester
 Principal
 Kimberlee Kogane
 piccolo
 Fabienne Fuerer
 piccolo

Oboe

Connor Ross
 Principal
 Jean Falconer
 Evan Privoznik
 English Horn

Clarinet

Noah Schoenberg
 Principal
 Xavier Engle
 Greta Astrup
 Alicia Budahl

Bassoon

Gillian Denton
 Principal
 Megan Bledsoe
 harp
 Laura Brudzinski

Horn

Catherine Massey
 Principal
 Timothy Risi
 Brian Long
 Kate Compton
 Cailin Denton

Trumpet

Logan Bean
 Principal
 Hannah Bjornstad
 Jon Crandall
 Carrie Stillman

Trombone

David Martinson
 Principal
 Ryan Murphy
 Drew Arnold

Tuba

Connie Golding
 Principal

Percussion

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**ELEMENTARY HONOR
ORCHESTRA**

VIOLIN

Lindsay Beard – SP
Nate Berry – CO
A.J. Brannum – CA
Jin Chong – SL
James Crimp – BO
Jordan DeLorenzo – BV
Tashina Ellingson – AU
Zoe Fleischmann – BV
Emily Geraci – AL
Yiying Jun – SH
Dominic Kaltenborn – RP
Kyo Chan Keum – RP
Daniel Lee – LH
Sadie Lira – LK
Ryan Liu – SL
Sarah Martinson – HO
Alexandra Meier – SU
Rick Merrigan – RC
Molly Mew – AL
Donna Morgan – GW
Joshua Morris – SL
Rosika Nees – SH
Rachel Parlier – RP
Paige Price – HU
Jenna Ramsey – AU
Rachel Rosefigura – T
Chang Saefong – WP
Rachael Shiffer – SU
Jonathan Sipin – GW
Daniel Smith – CO
Christie Stassel – KL
Robert Suenram – BA
Kyle Tee – SH
Tina Westfall – AB
Alice Wong – NL
*Kalia Yeagle – P
*Kiana Yutrzenka – BV

VIOLA

Cody Behr – WC
Mya Dale – AU
*Roger David – NS

Koree Guzman – RC
Gregory Hall – HO
A.J. Harper – T
Evan Jackson – OV
Jennifer Jones – HO
Ryan Kuk – CH
Katie Linkenhoker – BV
Daniel Mahon – WC
Kevin Nealley – KA
Mason Smales – BX
Shelley Wesser – OM

CELLO

Claire Andrews – BO
Bea Barth – IV
John Burke – CR
Lindsay Cason – CO
Sean Clemson – BO
Robyn Coker – CV
Dave Guzauskas – CO
Laura Jungreis – CO
Nichole Momberger – BA
*Jamnah Morton – NS
Meredith Olsson – MS
Luke Park – CO
Will Smith – RP
Lauren Swiger – UM

STRING BASS

Hannah Brehmer – HO
Dane Christensen – RC
Chelsea Dennis – CO
*Haley Ford – GH
Sam Guzauskas – CO
Eric Schultz – SL

HARP

Aubrey Kraft – AU

* Principal or co-principal

PROGRAM

YOUTH ON PARADE

ELEMENTARY HONOR ORCHESTRA

Kathryn Hoffer, conductor

- Ode to Joy Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. by Del Borgo
Thunder Rock Donald Josuweit
Mosquitos Mary Alice Rich
Stone Mountain Stomp Carl Strommen
The Bringer of Joy based on Jupiter from "The Planets" Gustav Holst, arr. by Phillippe

SHORT INTERMISSION

ANCHORAGE JUNIOR YOUTH SYMPHONY

Brendan Wilson, conductor

Joy Sharpe, conductor

- Ballet Music No. 2 from "Rosamunde" Op. 26 Franz Schubert
Stonehenge Donald E. Matthews
Highlights from "The Lord of the Rings" Howard Shore, arr. by Bob Cerulli
Danse de Espana William P. Stephens
Bratislava J. Holesovsky

INTERMISSION

ANCHORAGE YOUTH SYMPHONY

Linn Weeda, conductor

- Festive Overture Dimitri Shostakovich
Symphony No. 8, Fourth Movement Antonin Dvorak
Wedding March from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Felix Mendelssohn

Note: This season marks the tenth season Mr. Weeda has served as Music Director of the Anchorage Youth Symphony. We applaud his work and dedication to this task. He is the one person that makes the whole thing happen. Thanks. Linn.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Adam Stewart is a senior at Robert Service High School and a four year member of the Anchorage Youth Symphony. He began playing the violin at the age of three and participated in the Suzuki program at Alaska Pacific University. He was invited to join O'Malley Elementary Orchestra as a kindergartner and played in the violin section for seven years. As a third grader, Adam was a winner in the Reflections Program Music Division. He also won awards for music compositions in sixth and seventh grades. He has been a member of the Anchorage School District Honor Orchestra, the Anchorage Junior Youth Symphony, Hanshew Orchestra, Hanshew Quartet, Hanshew Jazz Band, Service Concert Orchestra, Service Jazz Band, HGQ String Quartet, and Anchorage Youth Symphony Chamber Orchestra. Adam



Adam Stewart

participated in All-State Honor Orchestra for four years. He was a section leader and earned the Gold Medallion Award in 2002. As a sophomore, he auditioned and earned a talent-based scholarship to attend UAF Fine Arts Camp. He was Concertmaster of the 2001 UAF Fine Arts Symphony Orchestra. UAF administrators awarded him the 2001 Junior Counselor Award. Adam has participated in Solo and Ensemble competitions for six years and earned superior awards for solo and quartet performances. Last fall, he auditioned for and was selected violinist for the 2003 All-Northwest Honor Orchestra.

During the summer, Adam works as a counselor, assistant, and teacher at Alaska City Folk Arts Camp, and Cordova Music Camp. He won 2nd place in the 2002 Alaska State Fiddling Contest. Adam enjoys all types of music and plays several instruments – violin, guitar, drums, didjeridu, banjo, mandolin, string bass, steel drums, bodhran, and piano. He also performs with Alaska City Folk Arts Band, and recently formed a band called The Blue Ridge Rascals.

He is a member of National Honor Society and has a 3.88 GPA. Music is his passion but he also loves sports. He played football for four years at Service High School and earned a varsity letter. He played soccer for ten years and has been an assistant coach for a Boys and Girls Club U10/U12 Boys soccer team for three years. Adam works as a cartographic technician at BLM. He also works with Robert Amos as a sound and recording technician at the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts and several other venues. His plans for the future include college, traveling, and a career in music and sound technology.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Robert Yoon is a senior at Dimond High. He has played violin in various orchestras since the 6th grade including the 6th grade Honor Orchestra, 2 years in the Anchorage Junior Youth Symphony, and 4 years in the Anchorage Youth Symphony. He received a superior rating in Solo and Ensemble competition. He has been in the top 10% of his class and has been recognized with various gold star awards for a GPA of 4.0 or higher as well as being on the honor roll, winning an academic letter, and receiving membership in the National Honor Society. He likes to hike, camp, and just have fun hanging out with mis amigos. He plans to attend college in Washington state, majoring in pre-med, and subsequently enroll in dental school and pursue a career as a dentist.



Robert Yoon

Sarah Hillebrand is a senior at Service High School and a 4 year member of the violin section of the Anchorage Youth Symphony. She has also performed in All-State Orchestra, and local and state Solo and Ensemble competition. She has been playing violin since age 6. At one time she also studied piano for 7 years but decided to concentrate on violin instead.

Sarah is active in Irish Dancing and is a member of the Irish Dance Academy of Alaska. She is a three time winner in the Preliminary Championship category and one of three dancers who were the first to attend the Western Regional Orieachtas Irish Dance Championships. She will be traveling to Nashville in July to compete in the North American Irish Dance Championships, and hopes some day to compete in World Irish Dance Competition. She has performed in the local Christmas production Enchanted World.



Sarah Hillebrand

She is taking AP (Advanced Placement) classes at Service High. College plans include attending Seattle University majoring in criminal justice or business. She would like eventually to perform with a traveling dance group and perhaps open her own dance school.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Nick Riordan

Nick Riordan is a senior at Service High School and a four year member of Anchorage Youth Symphony. He has participated in All-State Orchestra as well as state Solo and Ensemble competition every year he was eligible and received No.1 ratings in all adjudications. He has participated in the Alaska Humanities Forum Urban/Rural exchange. He likes cross-country skiing, hiking, canoeing, rafting and kayaking.



Timothy Risi

Timothy Risi is a senior at Bartlett High School and a three year member of Anchorage Youth Symphony where he is a member of the French Horn section. He has participated in state Solo and Ensemble competition. He is a member of the National Honor Society and an All-American Science Scholar. Other interests include the riflery team, Boy Scouts, school musicals including "Grease" and "Return to the Forbidden Planet" and plays including "The Lottery" and church youth group.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Noah Schoenberg is a senior at Service High School and a two year member of Anchorage Youth Symphony where is principal clarinet. He enjoys bowling. He was awarded a Colorado School of Mines Achievement award, and is in the top 5 of his graduating class. Upon graduation from high school he plans to attend Princeton University and be a biochemical engineer.



Noah Schoenberg

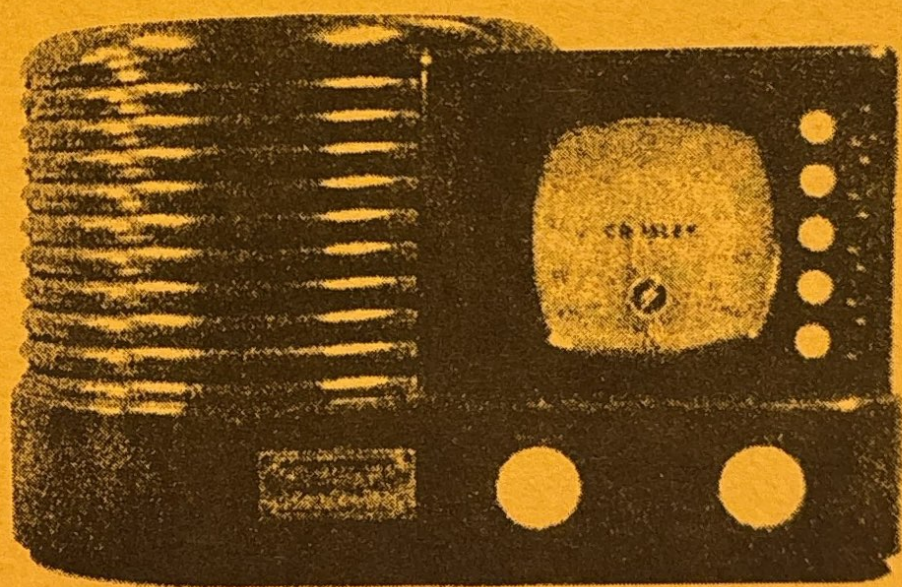
Catherine Massey is a senior at Service High School and a two year member of the Anchorage Youth Symphony where she has been principal French Horn for both years. She has been in All-State Band for two years and was principal of her section this past year. She has received superior ratings in Solo and Ensemble Competition. She has also been principal horn in the Service High School Band for four years. Recently she participated in All Northwest Band. She is a member of the National Honor Society. In addition to music she enjoys marine biology and sculpting. Her future plans are not firm but she thinks she will pursue music and/or the chemical sciences.



Catherine Massey

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