



APPALACHIAN SPRING SUITE

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Anchorage Youth Symphony Conducted by Linn Weeda
Atwood Hall
December 7, 2012 at 7 p.m.
Anchorage Youth Philharmonic Conducted by William Waag

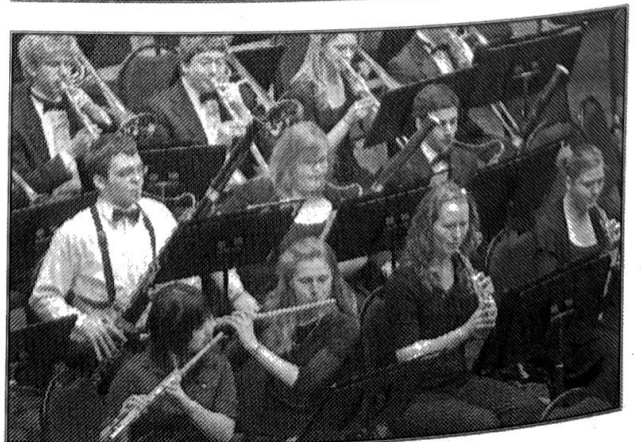
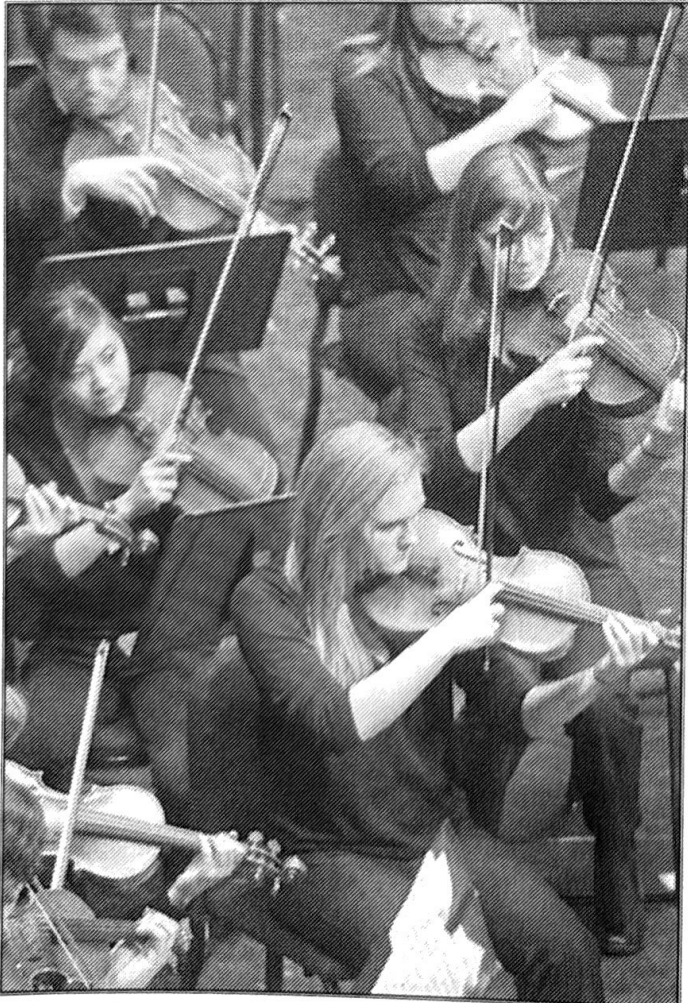


ALASKA YOUTH ORCHESTRAS

ADDITIONAL WORKS BY Franz Schubert symphony no. 8 "unfinished," Anatol Liadov eight Russian folk songs, op. 58, Bedrich Smetana Vitava (Moldau) from Ma Vlast, Ottorino Respighi excerpts from Pines of Rome.

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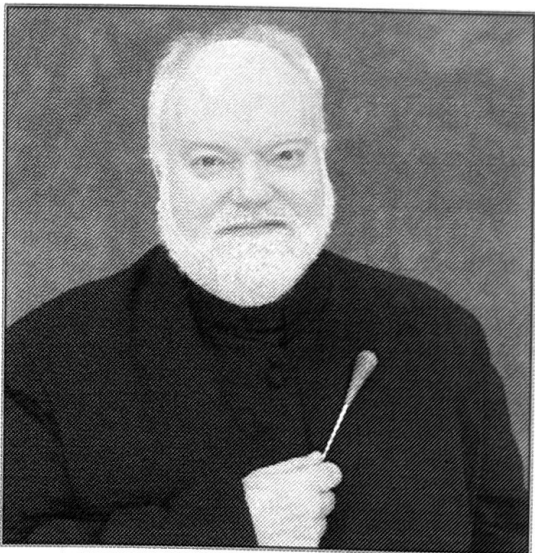




A lifelong Alaskan, Linn Weeda received his baccalaureate from UAF, where his trumpet teacher was James Kowalsky and his conducting teacher was Gordon Wright. He received his Master's from Boston University, where he studied trumpet with Armando Ghitalla and Roger Voisin, won the concerto competition, and was student of the year.

LINN WEEDA

ANCHORAGE YOUTH SYMPHONY CONDUCTOR



Further studies were with Julio Tancredi in trumpet, Larry Scripp in solfege, Charles Bruck and Gunther Schuller in conducting. He has also studied with the principal trumpeters of the Atlanta, London, Los Angeles, and Rotterdam orchestras.

As a freelancer in Boston, he was a member of a number of orchestras and was heard nationally on National Public Radio performing on baroque trumpet with the Smithsonian Chamber Players. He has given recitals and performed concertos throughout the country and in Asia. He has appeared with most of the orchestras and festivals in Alaska as soloist – most recently appearing with the Anchorage Symphony, performing a world premier of a trumpet concerto

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As a conductor, Weeda led orchestras 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. He was Staff Conductor of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony. He regularly conducts the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra in the annual Halloween concert and in Young People's Concerts. He has led the AYS on tours within Alaska and on international tours to Australia and, in the summer of 2010, to China.

Currently Weeda is Music Director of the Anchorage Youth Symphony, Assistant Music Director and Principal Trumpet of the Anchorage Symphony, Principal Trumpet of the Anchorage Opera. In addition to his many credits as a performer, Weeda has taught at King's Lake Music Camp, University of Alaska Fairbanks Summer Fine Arts Camp, and the Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival. In addition he teaches classes in ear training, solfege, and trumpet at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

VIOLIN 1

Anna Clink – *Concertmaster*
Eunice Kang
Sarah Hennessy
Frances Tso
Frances Larsen
Holly Smith
Emma Clink
Carie Navio
Jasmine Han
Emily Jensen
Lily York
Sijo Smith

VIOLIN 2

Tremaine Chisholm, *Principal*
Harrison Jennings
Claire Johansen
Emily Decker
Kiana Gates
Mampeï Fujimoto
Marie Nielson
Allison Haynes
Lyndyn Hurley
Jessen Cao
Kendra Paskvan

VIOLA

Piper Kurtz, *Principal*
Katrina Brown
Marisa Jingco
Ashleigh Bransky
Julie DuClos
Megan Kenner
Cory Chan
Andrew Kim
Sarah Bartholomew
Mariah DeJesus-Remaklus

CELLO

Madeline Endres, *Principal*
Keon Guzman
Jamie Byers
Erin Kim

Seiji Takagi

Caleb Kaas

Sean Braendel

Bennett Amodio

Sarah Souders

Edouard Seryochenkov

Haley Jones

Stella Woo

Ruth Take

Gene Chung

BASS

Harrison Greenough, *Principal*

Ellen Silverman

Aidan Hellen

Simon Froehlich

Connor Nault

FLUTE

Madelyn Boslough, *Principal*

Aubrie Lucas

Catherine Goolsby

Ellen Rumley

OBOE/ENGLISH HORN

Minster Zachary – *co-principal*

Libbrecht Remy – *co-principal*

Morris Ansley

Reast Emily

CLARINET

Nicholas Prosak, *Principal*

Allison Stapleford

Dohyun Kim

Dane Breitung

Melinda Farmer

BASSOON

Sarah Cheverie, *Principal*

Merrigan Horn

HORN

Erik Oder, *Principal*

Addie George

Sam Miles

Evan Hagen

Eli Shayer

TRUMPET

Mark Landon, *Principal*

Ben Claman

Joel Schnaper

Stephanie Kang

TROMBONE

Edwin Burton, *Principal*

Benton Campbell

PERCUSSION

Naomi Endres, *Principal*

Alex Wong

Eli Neslund

HARP

Ann Ohotnicky, *Principal*

PIANO

Bennett Amodio, *Principal*

ADDITIONAL PLAYERS

The following guests are playing with AYO tonight.

TRUMPET

Stephen Bergstrom

Aaron Hensley

Robert Updegrove

Stephanie Kang

TROMBONE

Jonathan Reese

Karen Lavy

BRASS TROMBONE

Garrett Shasnikoff

TUBA

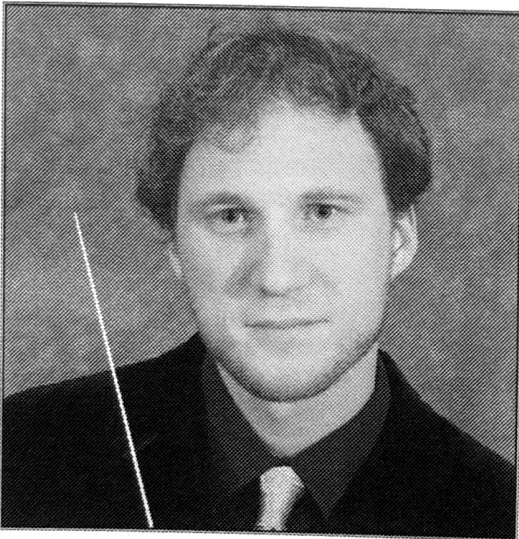
Matthew Murphy

William Reece Waag is the Conductor for the Anchorage Youth Philharmonic. His teaching experience in music ranges from preschool to college, private and public schools, and encompasses Band, Orchestra, Choir, Music Theory, Special Education, and various University courses. William has held teaching positions in Idaho, Washington, and Alaska, and conducted ensembles in six different states.

WILLIAM REECE WAAG

ANCHORAGE YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

He is presently the Director of Bands at Service High School, and is excited to be a part of the Alaska Youth Orchestras.



William earned a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from Boise State University while serving as the assistant conductor of Boise State's All-Campus Band. After teaching in the schools of Boise, William completed a Master's Degree in Orchestral Conducting at Central Washington University. During his time in Washington, William was also the Assistant Conductor of the Central Washington Symphony, Chamber, and Opera Orchestras, as well as Music Director of the Kittitas Valley Youth Orchestra.

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In his free time outside of music, William is an avid outdoorsman, with a vibrant love for most winter activities. A fairly recent arrival to Alaska, he has fallen in love with the sheer beauty and year round adventure the state has to offer.

VIOLIN 1

Katie Bozone – *Concertmaster*
Liesel Von Imhof
Jerry Yang
William Hail
John Hail

VIOLIN 2

Cory McDonald, *Principal*
Victoria Granado
Isabeau Barnes
Sylvia Taylor

VIOLA

Mariya Gilliland, *Principal*
Su-Jin In
Catherine McKoy
Mailinh McNicholas
Jacob Kaas

Mollie Taylor

CELLO

Colette Ohotnicky, *Principal*
Benjamin Smith
Alec Smith
Allister Lindamood
Astrid Williams
Sarah Bolt
Jorge Thompson-Gwynn

DOUBLE BASS

Morgen Lundin, *Principal*
Emily Arsenault

OBOE

James Homsley, *Principal*
Aurora Williams

FLUTE

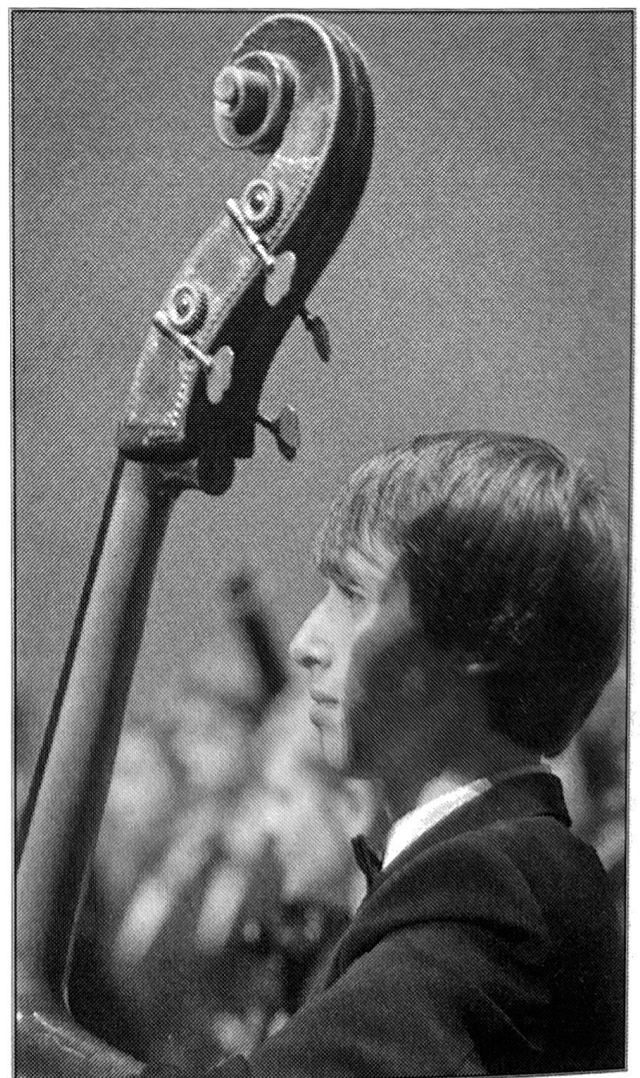
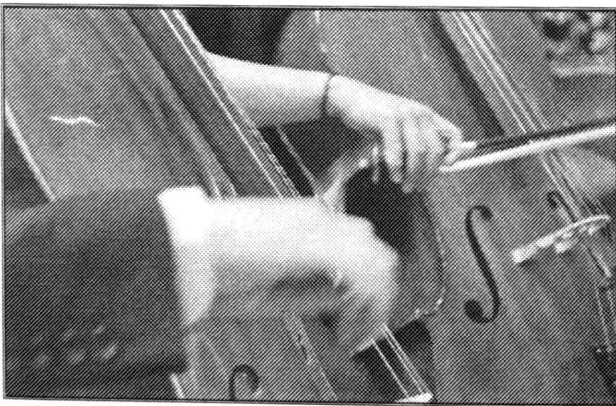
Heather Woodhouse, *Principal*
Isabelle Libbrecht
Jeana Lovett
Jordan Glasgow

CLARINET

Garett Granado, *Principal*
Hyeong-Jin Choi
Elise Moore
Claretha Graydon

HORN

Ian Glasgow, *Principal*





MARISA JINGCO (VIOLA) Marisa is a senior at Dimond High School and plays the viola in the AYS. She has been 1st chair viola for Dimond High School for 3 years and has lettered twice in Orchestra. She has also been in several ensembles that have performed for fundraisers. Marisa has received multiple gold stars for a 4.0+ GPA, and has received a Math Department Award, as well as 1st place for City Declamation for French. Marisa loves bowling. She's been bowling for 10+ years and her highest score is a 278. She has participated in Dimond's varsity bowling team for all four years, and with them won 1st place last year. In the future, Marisa plans to study medicine and wants to keep music as a part of her life by being a part of local symphonies.



SARAH BOLT (CELLO) Sarah plays the cello and is a senior at West Anchorage High School. This is her first year with the AYO and she plays in the AYP. Sarah received Congressional Award, 1st Place, and Outstanding Achievement Award at the 2012 All-State Art Competition, the Good Sportsmanship Award in Bowling: 2011, the State-wide Russian Olympiada "Bronze" Diploma in 2011, National Russian Essay Contest, Bronze Medal in 2010, and has been on the Honor Roll since 2009. Some of Sarah's other hobbies include Varsity Bowling: 2010, 2011, 2012; Photography, pottery, and painting; Being outside: especially biking, hiking, camping, and canoeing; and she also likes to cook. Sarah plans to leave Alaska for college, but is still undecided as to where she will go.



SARAH HENNESSY (VIOLIN) Sarah plays Violin in the AYS and attends South Anchorage High School. She has been Honorably Mentioned in the National Association for Teachers of Singing (NATS) her freshman and junior years, and the Anchorage Concert Chorus Competition her junior year. She received Honorable Mention in the Anchorage Civic Orchestra Concerto Competition her junior year and has participated in All State Orchestra her freshman through junior years, and All Northwest Orchestra her sophomore year. She attended Indiana University's Summer Strings Academy (Jacobs School of Music) last summer. In addition to music, Sarah enjoys running, traveling, and learning to play the ukelele. She will graduate in December 2012 and spend spring semester traveling with the International Health Service to Honduras, and playing music. Eventually, she will attend college outside of Alaska, majoring in psychology and music.





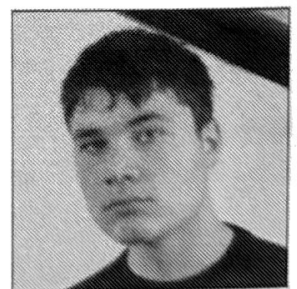
HOLLY SMITH (VIOLIN) Holly attends Grace Christian School and plays the violin in the AYS. This is her 3rd year in AYS. She has played the violin since she was 6, and has made All State violin 1 for 3 years. She has participated in Solo and Ensemble for all her high school years. She plays in the school's chapel team, and for church. Additionally, Holly received Alto II first chair honors choir at Regions music festival, has participated in school musicals, and participated in a multi-high school choir at Carnegie Hall in spring 2012. Holly participates in National Honor Society, and has participated in mission trips to Russia and northwest Alaska. Her other interests include knitting, road-tripping, and stand up paddle boarding. In the future, she plans to participate in orchestras for movies and musicals, travel the world, and go to college somewhere warm.



MOLLIE TAYLOR (VIOLIN) Mollie is a senior at West Anchorage High School and plays the violin in AYP. Mollie has played with school orchestra since 6th grade, received most improved award 9th grade in West Orchestra, was an artist-in-residence officer both 9th & 11th grades for West Orchestra, received an orchestra letter, and currently serves as a performing member on the AYO board of directors. In addition, Mollie has been on the honor roll since 9th grade, has received an academic letter, is a member of the National Honor Society, has received Alaska Chinese Association merit scholarships, and a tennis letter. Her other interests include traveling, tennis, swimming, biking, drawing, film. In the future, she hopes to attend a small liberal arts school and study social sciences.



BENNETT AMODIO (CELLO) Bennett plays cello for the AYS and is a senior at West Anchorage High School. He has played piano since 2nd grade and cello since 6th grade. This is his 4th year with the AYS. Bennett's traveled with the AYS to South-Central Alaska, China, and Europe, and has been a performing member of the board of directors for 3 years. Bennett has been the recipient of Research Science Institute mentorship at MIT, a National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist, a National AP Scholar, received Platinum Rating, ACT WorkKeys test, was a USA Mathematical Olympiad qualifier, and Member of 2nd place Mock Trial team in Alaska. He has also received a Letter in tennis. His hobbies include coding, musical composition, playing tennis, reading, and learning. In the future, he hopes to graduate from college and graduate school, and then pursue a career in academia. However, he plans to always keep music as a part of his life.





KEEON GUZMAN (CELLO) Keeon is a senior at West Anchorage High School and plays the cello in AYS. He began orchestral performance with the ASD's Honor Orchestra and continued with the JYS. He has received Superior rating at City and State Solo and Ensemble for three years, and has participated in All State and All Northwest orchestras. In the 2012 State Solo & Ensemble he received second place in the low string division and an outstanding performance award. He has been Principal or co-Principal cello at West since 2009. He has attended Interlochen Arts Camp on an Emerson Scholarship full merit award in 2012 and participated in the advanced string quartet program. Keeon also participated in the Summer Cello Institute at Interlochen in 2012. He's taken lessons and master classes with Paul Katz, Anthony Elliot, Tony Ross, Astrid Schween, Zuill Bailey, Jorja Fleesanis, and the Harlem and Pacifica Quartets. His private teacher is Linda Ottum. Keeon plays on a 008 Bucci Prestige with a Marco Raposo bow. In addition, Keeon maintains a solid GPA, and is the 2012 President and 2011 Treasurer of West High's National Honor Society. In the future, he plans to attend conservatory or a university with an excellent music department.



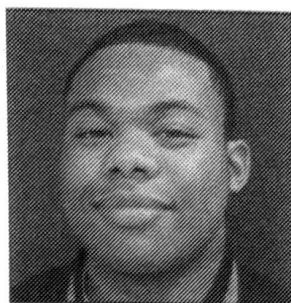
SARAH CHEVERIE (BASSOON) Sarah Cheverie is a senior at Dimond High School and is in her 4th year of playing Bassoon with the AYS. Sarah was born in Kentville, Nova Scotia, Canada, and moved to Mississippi where she was formally introduced to the bassoon by her middle school music teacher Mr. Aaron Bailey. Sarah plays with Jason Edwards' band at Dimond High. They performed at the Pacific Basin Music Festival in Hawaii during her freshman year. Sarah also played in the pit orchestra for Little Women and Cinderella and will participate in 2012 All-State. This is Sarah's fourth year with Anchorage Youth Symphony and she has traveled and performed in China and Central Europe along with the AYS wind quintet at UAA. Sarah's other interests are her weekly music lessons, listening to classical music, playing cards, cuddling with her two dogs, watching Spongebob and enjoying time with her friends and family. Her plans are to attend University of Alaska to study Music and possibly History.



Sarah would like to thank present and past music teachers for their commitment to musical education. Also, to her music teacher Mr. Hal Nonneman and his wife La Donna for their kindness and support.



TREMAINE CHISHOLM (VIOLIN) Tremaine is a senior at East Anchorage High School and plays violin in the AYS. He has participated in All State orchestra three times, and currently serves as the East High Concertmaster. He is also a Tri-M Member. Tremaine has received an Academic Letter, an Academic Gold Star, the East High Award of Excellence, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Tremaine's hobbies include playing video games, watching movies, and several sports including wrestling, Tae Kwon Do, and track and field. He plans to attend UAA to major in musical composition with a minor in business.



NICK PROSAK (CLARINET) Nick is a senior at Eagle River High School and a 4th year member of AYS. He is principal clarinet. This is his 3rd year serving as principal clarinet for AYS. He has also participated in the Alaska All State Band for 4 years, and All State Orchestra for 3. He has received 3 superior ratings in the State Solo & Ensemble Festival for clarinet solo as well as Command Performance in 2011. Nick also participated in the All Northwest Music Festival in 2011 & 2012. Nick has excelled greatly in mathematics, placing first in his high school in the American Mathematics Competition in 2011 and first in his school in the Trig-Star Competition in 2012. He also placed 3rd out of nearly 500 in the ASD Mathematics Invitational Competition in 2012. Nick is also a member of the National Honor Society. Additionally, Nick enjoys playing and listening to music, spending time with friends, and playing video games. Nick plans to pursue a degree in Clarinet Performance and biochemistry, and specialize further in pharmacology.



JOEL SCHNAPER (TRUMPET) Joel plays trumpet for AYS and is a senior at West Anchorage High School. In addition to AYS, he has participated in the Berklee College of Music Five Week Performance Program in 2012, has received two Outstanding Achievement Awards at Stanford Jazz Workshop in 2011, participated in the Sitka Fine Arts Camp in 2011, All State Band in 2011, All State Band and Orchestra in 2012, and received State Solo and Ensemble Outstanding Rating in 2011. Joel was chosen as a National Merit Semifinalist in 2012, received the Service Recognition Award Yak'ei Outstanding Volunteerism from the Anchorage School Board in 2012, National Honor Society in 2011 and 2012, Honor Roll 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and Academic Letters 2010, 2011, and 2012. Joel also enjoys downhill skiing, longboarding, tennis, table tennis, canoeing, boating, and the drum circle at West. He hopes to study Jazz trumpet performance on the East coast. Someday, he will meet Roy Hargrove.





MADELINE ENDRES (CELLO) Madeline plays cello in the AYS and is a senior at West Anchorage High School. She has been a member of AYS for 4 years. Madeline has been

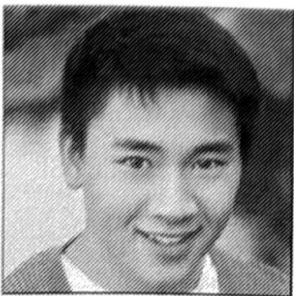


Principal or co-principal of West Symphonic Orchestra for four years and attended Interlochen Arts Camp for four summers. She has been a member of WYSO (World Youth Symphony Orchestra) for the last two years, was voted most valuable player of West Orchestra, 2010, has been a member of Alaska All State Orchestra, four years, has participated in Alaska State solo and ensemble, three years, and was the winner of the state junior MTNA strings contest freshman year, received an honorable mention at regionals. She participated in All Northwest her sophomore year. Additionally, she has been in Academic honor roll throughout high school (4.0 unweighted GPA), is a National merit scholarship semifinalist, was a participant on west high mock trial team which placed second at state (junior year), received destination for performance as witness and as attorney, and is an AP scholar with Distinction. In her free time, Madeline enjoys astronomy, reading, and chemistry. In the future, she plans on attending university (hopefully the University of Michigan), pursuing a double degree in Music Performance and Chemistry or Physics.

FRANCES LARSEN (VIOLIN) Frances plays violin in the AYS and is a senior at West Anchorage High School. She has been a participant for 4 years in the All-State Music Festival, 4 years Solo & Ensemble Music Festival (2 years Superior rating), 4 years West High Orchestra, (2 years concertmaster), 2 years Marrowstone Summer Music Festival, and 3rd place 2004 Alaska State Fair Fiddle Contest. Frances is on track to earn 4 Varsity letters each in Track & Field, XC running, and XC skiing by graduation; received the Most Inspirational award West High XC running team 2012; and is the Ski Team captain 2012-2013. Frances enjoys XC running, XC skiing, Track & Field, dancing, commercial fishing, hiking, travelling, photography, laughing with her sister, procrastinating. Frances hopes to go skydiving sometime in the near future. She also wants to take a gap year to travel the world before going to college in the Midwest or on the West Coast, then lead a fabulous life doing something so amazing although she doesn't even know what it is yet.



ANDREW KIM (VIOLIN) Andrew is a senior at East Anchorage High School and plays viola in the AYS. Andrew has played viola for less than a year after studying violin. He has served as East High's Student Body President, won the Tennis Region Doubles Championship, and is the State Robotics Champion. In his free time, he enjoys tennis, robotics, math competitions, sleeping, and eating. In the future, he plans to receive a PhD and become an engineer.

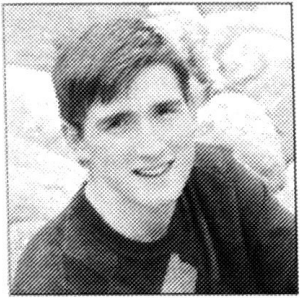




LILY YORK (VIOLIN) Lily is a senior at South Anchorage High School. She has been playing the violin since the age of four and has studied with Dawn Lindsay, her current teacher, for almost 10 years. Throughout middle and high school, Lily has participated in school orchestra since 7th grade through 11th grade. In sixth grade, she was accepted as a member of Honor Orchestra and continued through Middle School as a member of Junior Youth Symphony. She has been a member of the Anchorage Youth Symphony all four years of her high school career as well. When she isn't playing her violin, she enjoys downhill skiing, spending time with friends, and listening to music. She hopes to attend University of Oregon next year and enter the architecture program to get a Bachelors and Masters degree in Architecture.



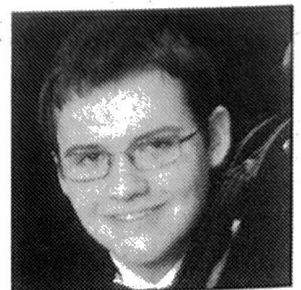
ZACHARY MINSTER (OBOE) Zachary has been a member of AYS for the past 3 years and principal oboist for the past 2 years. He is a senior at South Anchorage High School. He has

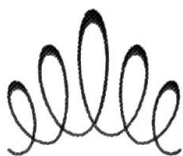


participated in solo & ensemble for 3 years, receiving superior ratings twice. Zach is both honored and blessed to have enjoyed being a student of Margo Carlson for the past 4 years and wishes to extend his heart felt gratitude to her for offering him guidance, patience and kindness. Zach has been a cub/boy scout since 1st grade. At the age of 16 he earned BSA's highest rank of achievement, that of Eagle Scout. Zach has received numerous awards while studying at South Anchorage HS including Letter

Awards in Academics (with star for GPA 4.0+), Band and Swimming each year for all 4 years. Last year he joined the debate team and placed in the top 3 at State with the opportunity to attend nationals. This year he is expected to achieve even better results. Zach is also a 4 yr. National Honor Society member. Besides music, Zach's hobbies include debate, swimming and computers. He plays Starcraft with his friends and refers to this as "hanging out." Zach works as a lead lifeguard at H2Oasis. He plans on attending a 4 years university in the Fall. While his major remains undecided, he plans to study in the areas of math and science. He plans to continue playing oboe though out college (in both symphony and chamber) and for many years to come.

SEAN BRAENDEL (CELLO) Sean attends Eagle River High School and has been playing cello for 7 years. This is his second year in AYS. Sean received Superior ratings at State Solo and Ensemble in 2011 and 2012. In 2012 he participated in All State Orchestra as well. At Eagle River High School he is the 1st chair cellist, and assistant conductor of the band and orchestra. An avid speller, Sean made it to the 4th round of his 2nd grade spelling bee. Sean enjoys hiking, skiing, playing tennis, and being an Alaskan. In the future, he plans to attend UAF, where he will study music and biology.





Alaska Youth Orchestras Program

Linn Weeda, Music Director

Lynne McConnell, Executive Director

William Waag, AYP Conductor

Dr. Laura Koenig, Director of Chamber Music

December 7, 2012, 7:30PM in the Atwood Concert Hall

Anchorage Youth Philharmonic William Waag, Conductor

Franz Schubert Symphony No. 8 "Unfinished" D. 759
1. Allegro Moderato

Anatol Liadov Eight Russian Folk Songs, op. 58
1. Religious Chant
3. Plainte
4. Humorous Song
5. Legend of the Birds
7. Round Dance
8. Village Dance Song

I N T E R M I S S I O N

Anchorage Youth Symphony Linn Weeda, Conductor

Aaron Copland Appalachian Spring Suite (Ballet for Martha)

Bedrich Smetana Vltava (the Moldau)

Anchorage Youth Symphony and Anchorage Youth Philharmonic

Ottorino Respighi Pini di Roma (The Pines of Rome)
4. Pini della Via Appia
(The Pines of the Appian Way)

A SPECIAL THANK-YOU: The Alaska Youth Orchestras would like to thank the expertise and talents of their coaches: Violinist Nina Bingham and Elise Gelbart; Violist Alicia Valoti and Anne Burns; Cellist Linda Ottum; Bassist Matt O'Conner; Flute Dr. Laura Koenig; Oboe Sharman Piper; Clarinetist Crystal Hanson; Bassoonist Martin Hoffer; Horn Cheryl Pierce and Darrel Kincade; Trumpet Jason Edwards; Low Brass Dr. Christopher Sweeney; Percussion David Williamson; Harp Joanna Mergler-Mayer.

