



2023/24 Annual Report

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION



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ON THE COVER: Zell Music Director Designate Klaus Mäkelä
and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra

ABOVE, TOP TO BOTTOM: CSO horn David Griffin, CSO Associate
Concertmaster Stephanie Jeong, composer and conductor Joe Hisaishi



A Note from the Chair & President



Mary Louise Gorno
Chair, Board of Trustees



Jeff Alexander
President

Dear CSOA Friends and Family,

It is our pleasure to present the Annual Report for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association's 2023/24 Season — one marked by remarkable performances and artistic achievements, historic announcements, musical advocacy, ambassadorship and generosity.

The highlight of the season took place this past April when we announced the appointment of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's 11th music director, Klaus Mäkelä. Now in his three-season term as Zell Music Director Designate, Mäkelä will embark on an initial five-year tenure as Zell Music Director beginning in September 2027. In this role, he will lead the Orchestra for at least 14 weeks per season, including 10 weeks of subscription programs and other concerts in and around Chicago, in addition to four weeks of domestic and international tours. We are delighted with the outcome of our years-long search and deeply moved by the enthusiastic reception of Chicagoans and music lovers worldwide. An inspiring new chapter awaits us all.

Many artistic highlights from throughout the season are detailed in this report. They include the opening residency of the CSO's Music Director Emeritus for Life Riccardo Muti, followed by the Orchestra's two performances with him at Carnegie Hall; the outstanding contributions of our Mead Composer-in-Residence Jessie Montgomery and Artist-in-Residence Hilary Hahn; the Orchestra's 35th European tour; numerous appearances by guest artists and soloists of the highest caliber, as well as multiple commissions and world premieres. In its 133rd season, the Orchestra performed over 130 live concerts, and an impressive total of 494 concerts and events were presented with the support of the CSOA — the parent organization of



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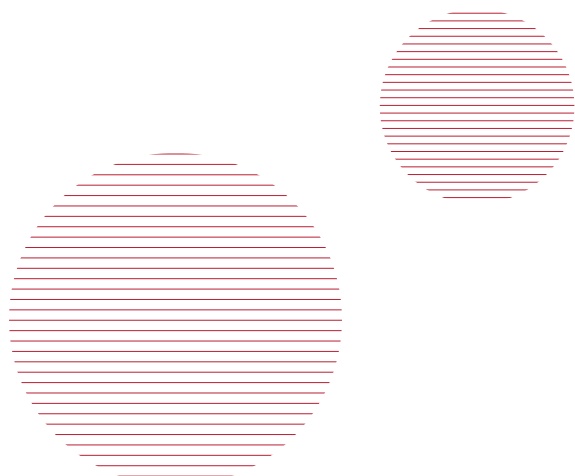
the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Chicago Symphony Chorus, Symphony Center Presents, Negaunee Music Institute and Civic Orchestra of Chicago.

This report also recognizes the commitment of the CSOA's employees and many supporters who contributed to the strength of the 2023/24 Season. First, we want to acknowledge the extraordinary musicians who inspired us throughout the season with their artistry. We thank the members of our administration, stage technicians, electricians and engineers for the tremendous jobs they do year round. We especially thank the trustees for their generosity, advocacy and dedication to the organization's ongoing success. The work of the CSOA's affiliate groups — including the Governing Members, Women's Board, League, Overture Council, Negaunee Music Institute Board, African American Network and Latino Alliance — reinforced the Board's efforts. We are also grateful to the many individual donors, foundations, corporations and sponsors for their generosity as well as the many volunteers for their time and commitment.

It truly is an extraordinary family of supporters that make the breadth of the CSOA's offerings possible. We look forward to a bright future together.

Mary Louise Gorno
Chair, Board of Trustees
Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association

Jeff Alexander
President
Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association





Treasurer's Report

For Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2024



Renée Metcalf
Treasurer

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association, I am pleased to share our financial results for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Our 2023/24 concert season reflected the continued growth in audiences post-pandemic, with total operating revenue of \$32.4 million, anchored by over \$23 million in ticket revenue. Nearly 292,000 tickets were sold to 198 concerts last season, reflecting the community's continued interest in our varied and extensive concert programming. As is typical, however, operating revenues cover only a fraction of our roughly \$80 million in operating costs.

The Association relies heavily on support from donors to fill the gap. This year, with gifts from 11,799 donor households, the Association achieved contributed operating revenue of \$23.8 million to advance the mission of the CSOA. Investment returns and draws from our endowment and other investments funds added another \$22.6 million. The net operating deficit for the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$1.4 million, in line with last year.

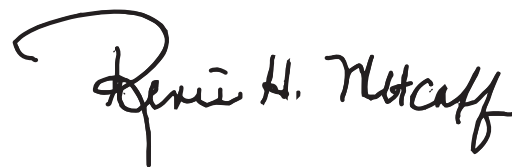
The value of the Association's endowment, other investments and beneficial interest in trusts grew by almost 13% over last year to a balance of \$453.5 million at June 30, 2024, providing a stable foundation for the organization. The *SEMPRE ALWAYS* Campaign, the Association's major fundraising campaign, continues to generate significant incremental gifts from donors at all levels. During the year ended June 30, 2024, we received two particularly significant gifts to the endowment from the Negaunee Foundation and



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TAWANI Foundation. A total of \$44.6 million in new gifts to the endowment, artistic excellence and other investments funds was recorded during the year, including \$12.4 million in newly recognized estate gifts and bequests from donor planned giving. At the same time, the Association continues to responsibly reduce its long-term debt and pension liabilities. The result of these improvements on both components of the balance sheet is an increase in the net asset position of more than \$77 million, to \$420.3 million at June 30, 2024.

Our work to advance the mission of the CSOA continues as we embark on a new season. Through the generosity of our donors, inspiring work of our orchestras, chorus and staff, and commitment and enthusiasm of our patrons, we can sustain the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association's mission to transform lives through music, community engagement and education, both here in Chicago and around the world. The coming season — the Association's 134th — offers an exciting lineup of programming. Come, join us!

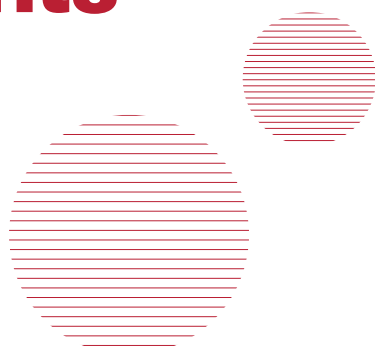


Renée Metcalf

Treasurer
Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association



Financial Highlights



Financial Highlights

All dollar figures in thousands

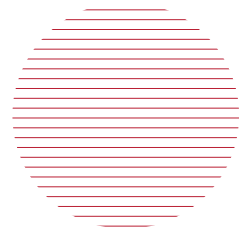
For the Years Ended

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Ticket revenue	\$23,004	\$22,051
Other operating revenue	\$9,427	\$7,737
Total operating revenue	\$32,431	\$29,788
Total support, net of fundraising event expense	\$46,393	\$45,849
Total operating revenue and support	\$78,824	\$75,637
Total operating expenses	\$80,236	\$77,063
Operating income/(deficit)	(\$1,412)	(\$1,426)
Endowment, other investments, beneficial interest in trusts	\$453,529	\$401,437
Total assets	\$581,823	\$515,187
Bonds payable	\$117,113	\$119,373
Net assets	\$420,305	\$342,751
Concert Highlights		
Number of tickets sold	291,988	269,982
Number of concerts		
Paid concerts and events	198	199
Free concerts and events	296	260

For a copy of audited financial statements, please contact the Finance Department at 312-294-3302.



Season Highlights



Klaus Mäkelä, Zell Music Director Designate

On April 2, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association's Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the CSOA Music Director Search Committee to appoint Klaus Mäkelä as the 11th music director of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in its 133-year history. Mäkelä now holds the title of Zell Music Director Designate and will begin an initial five-year tenure as Zell Music Director in September 2027.

Later that week, the Finnish conductor led the CSO in three performances of Shostakovich's Symphony No. 10 and Cello Concerto No. 1, featuring soloist Sol Gabetta in her CSO debut. Musicians and audiences enthusiastically welcomed Mäkelä to the podium for these critically acclaimed concerts, which heralded an inspiring new chapter for the CSOA.

“There was an electricity in the air when Mäkelä strode on the stage to a standing ovation.”

*Chicago Sun-Times on
Klaus Mäkelä's first concert as
Zell Music Director Designate*

Since June 2014, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's music director position has been titled the Zell Music Director position, endowed in perpetuity through a generous gift from **Zell Family Foundation**.

Official Airline of the CSO





“Music-making ...
that was galvanizing,
joyous and exhilarating.”

Chicago Tribune



Klaus Mäkelä and cellist Sol Gabetta



CSO flutes Jennifer Gunn and Emma Gerstein with Klaus Mäkelä



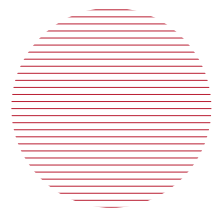
Klaus Mäkelä and Assistant Principal Clarinet John Bruce Yeh



Postconcert reception with patrons and donors

“The players exuded a
sense of freedom while
being shaped with
patient deliberation.”

The New York Times



Riccardo Muti, Music Director Emeritus for Life

The CSO opened its 2023/24 Season in September with Music Director Emeritus for Life Riccardo Muti conducting two programs featuring Stravinsky's *The Firebird*, Mendelssohn's *Italian Symphony* and the world premiere of *The Triumph of the Octagon* by American composer Philip Glass. For this CSO commission, Glass took inspiration from the Castel del Monte, a 13th-century citadel in Italy's Apulia region, where Muti spent his early childhood.

Leonidas Kavakos joined Muti and the Orchestra to perform Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto at the annual Symphony Ball concert.

Maestro Residency Presenter



Symphony Ball Presenting Sponsor



The Triumph of the Octagon was commissioned by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra through the **Helen Zell Commissioning Program**.

See pages 32-34 for coverage of the CSO's tours with Muti to Carnegie Hall and Europe.



“The tapestry of music that forms *Octagon* afforded both an engaging pleasure and a testament to the ensemble elegance that Muti fostered in a 13-year run as CSO music director.”

Classical Voice North America



Riccardo Muti and the CSO



Riccardo Muti and violinist Leonidas Kavakos



See page 41 to learn about Jessie Montgomery's work with the Young Composers Initiative.

Jessie Montgomery, Mead Composer-in-Residence

In her third and final season as Mead Composer-in-Residence, Jessie Montgomery composed her third full-orchestra commission for the CSO: *Procession*, a concerto written for and premiered by Principal Percussion Cynthia Yeh. Montgomery was also one of five American composers to contribute to *The Elements*, a suite of works for violin and orchestra performed by Joshua Bell.

Curated by Montgomery, the 2023/24 CSO MusicNOW season opened with a concert that illuminated works by the Blacknificent 7, a dynamic collective of Black composers. The program included the world premiere of *The United States Welcomes You*, a CSO MusicNOW commission by Jasmine Barnes. Next, Lidiya Yankovskaya led musicians from the CSO in a MusicNOW program dedicated to four composer-performers: Curtis Stewart, Tania León, Tyshawn Sorey and Montgomery. Two CSO MusicNOW commissions — Montgomery's *Concerto Grosso* and Stewart's *Resonance* — premiered at this concert.



Jessie Montgomery (left) with ragtime pianist and MacArthur Foundation "genius grant" winner Reginald R. Robinson and CSO African American Network Advisory Board member Susan Carlotta Ellis

Major support for CSO MusicNOW was generously provided by **Zell Family Foundation, Sargent Family Foundation, Sally Mead Hands Foundation, Julian Family Foundation** and the **Aaron Copland Fund for Music**.



Blacknificent 7 members (from left) Shawn Okpebholo, Dave Ragland, Joel Thompson, Jasmine Barnes, Damien Geter, Jessie Montgomery and Carlos Simon



CSO MusicNOW featuring composer and violinist Curtis Stewart



Conductor Manfred Honeck, Montgomery and Principal Percussionist Cynthia Yeh at world premiere of *Procession*



Hilary Hahn, Artist-in-Residence

In December, Hilary Hahn joined the CSO and conductor Mikko Franck to perform Brahms' Violin Concerto — her final appearance as a concerto soloist during her three-year tenure as Artist-in-Residence. That week, she was also the featured guest at a Salon Series event for donors, where she discussed her experiences in the role with Vice President for Artistic Planning Cristina Rocca, who holds the Richard and Mary L. Gray Chair.

Later in the season, Hahn coached conductors Kyle Dickson, Micah Gleason and Nicholas Koo as they worked with the Civic Orchestra of Chicago on Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E Minor. Hahn served a dual role as soloist and mentor in this innovative workshop and helped both the conductors and orchestra gain experience with concerto repertoire.

See pages 42- 43 to learn about Hilary Hahn's work with Chicago Musical Pathways Initiative and Notes for Peace.

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra Artist-in-Residence position is made possible through a generous gift from **James and Brenda Grusecki**.



Hilary Hahn, conductor Kyle Dickson
and the Civic Orchestra of Chicago



Postconcert CD signing



Brahms Violin Concerto with the CSO and conductor Mikko Franck



Soloists & Guest Conductors

This season, more than 60 guest soloists and conductors appeared on the CSO Classical series, including 14 who made their CSO debuts. In addition, four of the Orchestra's principal musicians performed as concerto soloists: Robert Chen, Stefán Ragnar Höskuldsson, William Welter and Cynthia Yeh.



Sheku Kanneh-Mason



Kazuki Yamada



Robert Chen
and William Welter



Elim Chan



Karen Gomyo



Michael Tilson Thomas

Photo by Nuccio DiNuzzo



Seong-Jin Cho and Gemma New

Photo by Nuccio DiNuzzo



Christian Gerhaher and Jaap van Zweden



Masabane Cecilia Rangwanasha



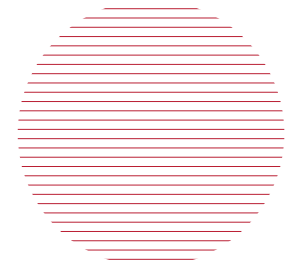
Premieres & Contemporary Composers

Two CSO principal musicians performed the world premieres of CSO commissions that were written for them: Stefán Ragnar Höskuldsson in Lowell Liebermann's Flute Concerto No. 2 and Cynthia Yeh in Jessie Montgomery's concerto for percussion, *Procession*. The CSO also premiered a commission by Philip Glass (p.11) and gave its first subscription concert performances of the composer's Violin Concerto No. 1, conducted by John Storgårds with soloist Karen Gomyo. In his first concerts as Zell Music Director Designate, Klaus Mäkelä conducted the U.S. premiere of *Batteria* by Finnish composer Sauli Zinovjev.

Grammy Award winner Joshua Bell presented *The Elements*, a suite of five works for violin and orchestra, commissioned by Bell and written by leading American composers Kevin Puts, Edgar Meyer, Jake Heggie, Jennifer Higdon and Jessie Montgomery. Daniil Trifonov, the 2024/25 CSO Artist-in-Residence, took the spotlight in a piano concerto composed for him by former CSO Mead Composer-in-Residence Mason Bates. The CSO Classical series also featured works by contemporary composers John Adams, Tzvi Avni, Aaron Kernis and Nina Shekhar.



Cynthia Yeh





Conductor Lahav Shani (left) with Mason Bates and Daniil Trifonov



Joshua Bell



Lowell Liebermann and Stefán Ragnar Höskuldsson



More CSO Highlights

The Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis joined forces with the CSO in a jazz-meets-classical concert featuring selections from Prokofiev's *Romeo and Juliet* and Marsalis' *Swing Symphony*. In another special collaboration, singer-songwriter, composer, arranger and Chicago-area native Cody Fry gave a one-night-only performance with the CSO and conductor Steven Reineke.

As part of the CSO at Wheaton series, the Orchestra performed three concerts conducted respectively by Philippe Jordan, Susanna Mälkki and Tugan Sokhiev, with violinist Leonidas Kavakos, soprano Ying Fang and pianist Yulianna Avdeeva as guest soloists. The CSO also returned to the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts on the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for a concert led by Hannu Lintu, with Behzod Abduraimov performing Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1.

The CSO at the Movies series opened with Disney's groundbreaking marriage of symphonic music and animation, *Fantasia*, and continued with *Home Alone*, *An American in Paris* and *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. To end the season, celebrated Japanese composer Joe Hisaishi led the CSO in four sold-out performances of his own music — the highest grossing program in Symphony Center history.

The CSO x Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis performances were generously sponsored by **Citadel** and **Citadel Securities**, with additional support from **Diana and Bruce Rauner** and an **anonymous donor**.



The CSO at Wheaton series was generously sponsored by the **JCS Arts, Health and Education Fund of DuPage Foundation**, with additional support from **Megan and Steve Shebik**.



The CSO at the Movies series was generously sponsored by **Megan and Steve Shebik**.



Composer and conductor Joe Hisaishi



The CSO and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, conducted by Giancarlo Guerrero



Conductor Hannu Lintu and pianist Behzod Abduraimov with the CSO in Urbana-Champaign



Cody Fry with the CSO, percussionist Steve Gould and conductor Steven Reineke



The Planets

Chicago Symphony Chorus

This season, Associate Chorus Director Cheryl Frazes Hill and guest chorus directors James Bass, Eugene Rogers and Jenny Wong prepared the Chicago Symphony Chorus in repertoire that included Brahms' *Schicksalslied*, Holst's *The Planets*, Handel's *Messiah* and Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

The Chorus also collaborated with the Civic Orchestra of Chicago in its annual Bach Marathon and joined the CSO to perform John Williams' score to *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. In its final concerts of the season, conducted by Neeme Järvi, the Chorus performed with the CSO in Mahler's *Resurrection* Symphony — a work that explores themes of death and afterlife using a massive orchestra, offstage brass and percussion, chorus and vocal soloists.

Leadership support for Mahler *Resurrection* was provided by **The Negaunee Foundation** and **Helen Zell**.

Additional support was provided by the **Randy L. and Melvin R. Berlin Family Fund for the Canon**, the **Nelson D. Cornelius Endowed Concert Fund**, the **Sargent Family Foundation** and the **Patrons Circle for Mahler Resurrection**.

The appearances of the Chicago Symphony Chorus were made possible by a generous gift from **The Grainger Foundation**.





Photo by Nuccio DiNuzzo

Mahler's *Resurrection* Symphony with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chorus,
conductor Neeme Järvi and soloists Mari Eriksmoen and Karen Cargill



Photo by Elliot Mandel

Handel's *Messiah*



Bach Marathon Finale



CSO Fellowship Program

Founded in 2022/23, the CSO Fellowship Program assists early-career musicians from all backgrounds that have a demonstrated commitment to equity and inclusion as they seek a career in classical music performance. Each season, up to three fellows rehearse and perform with the CSO for at least 20 weeks and receive training and mentorship from CSO musicians.

Violinist Gabriela Lara, the Michael and Kathleen Elliott Fellow, completed the second year of her fellowship in 2023/24. During the season, she participated in the CSO's European Tour and won an audition for a position in the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. Violinist Jesús Linárez and bassist Olivia Reyes return for their second season as CSO Fellows in 2024/25.



Gabriela Lara at a
Theodore Thomas
Society Luncheon





Symphony Center Presents

In 2023/24, the Symphony Center Presents (SCP) series featured over 30 concerts by the world's leading soloists and ensembles. Highlights included the SCP Piano debuts of International Chopin Piano Competition winner Bruce Liu and Dutch duo Lucas and Arthur Jussen; two visiting orchestras, the Staatskapelle Berlin and Symphonieorchester des Bayerischen Rundfunks, and the SCP Jazz debut of Samara Joy, the 2023 Grammy winner for Best New Artist and Best Jazz Vocal Album.

Eight-time Grammy winner Christian McBride led a musical tribute to civil rights icons featuring performances by Uniting Voices Chicago and student narrators from The Theatre School at DePaul University. In addition, the all-Black Gateways Festival Orchestra and a cappella group Take 6 performed a program of works by African American composers.



Christian McBride's
The Movement Revisited



Eliades Ochoa



Anoushka Shankar



Photo by Anne Ryan

Samara Joy



Hélène Grimaud



Sir Simon Rattle and the
Symphonieorchester des
Bayerischen Rundfunks



Jakub Hruša and the Staatskapelle Berlin



Take 6 with the Gateway Festival Orchestra



(From left) Leonidas Kavakos, Emanuel Ax and Yo-Yo Ma



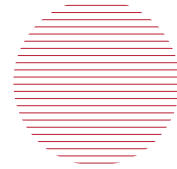
Evgeny Kissin



Ted Nash at the Ravinia
Jazz Mentors Program



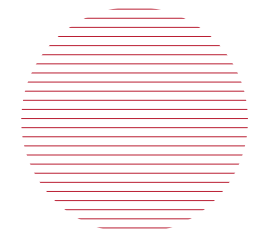
Christopher Crenshaw at
Lincoln Park High School



Symphony Center Presents Jazz Series Music Education Activities

Throughout the 2023/24 Season, student jazz musicians attended each of the SCP Jazz concerts, and visiting jazz musicians interacted with students from DePaul University and the Jazz Institute of Chicago.

During the annual residency of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, members of the ensemble mentored young musicians from Lincoln Park High School, Kenwood Academy High School, Whitney M. Young Magnet High School, the Ravinia Jazz Mentors Program and Merit School of Music. High school students from across Chicagoland also attended an open rehearsal with conductor Giancarlo Guerrero, the CSO and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra.



Funding for educational programs during the 2023/24 Season of SCP Jazz was generously provided by **Dan J. Epstein**, **Judith Guitelman** and the **Dan J. Epstein Family Foundation**.



Paavo Järvi

CSO in the Community

In February, the CSO and conductor Paavo Järvi performed a free community concert in front of a full house at Apostolic Church of God in Chicago's Woodlawn neighborhood. Sheku Kanneh-Mason joined the Orchestra as soloist in Elgar's Cello Concerto and later attended a special meet-and-greet with a group from the 3rd District Chicago Alternative Policy Strategy and Chicago Police Department.

Musicians from the CSO gave eight chamber music concerts in Orchestra Hall and venues across the city, including two performances at the University of Chicago and free concerts at Beverly Arts Center, Kehrein Center for the Arts and South Shore Cultural Center. The CSO also opened four of its rehearsals to community groups of high school students, seniors and veterans.

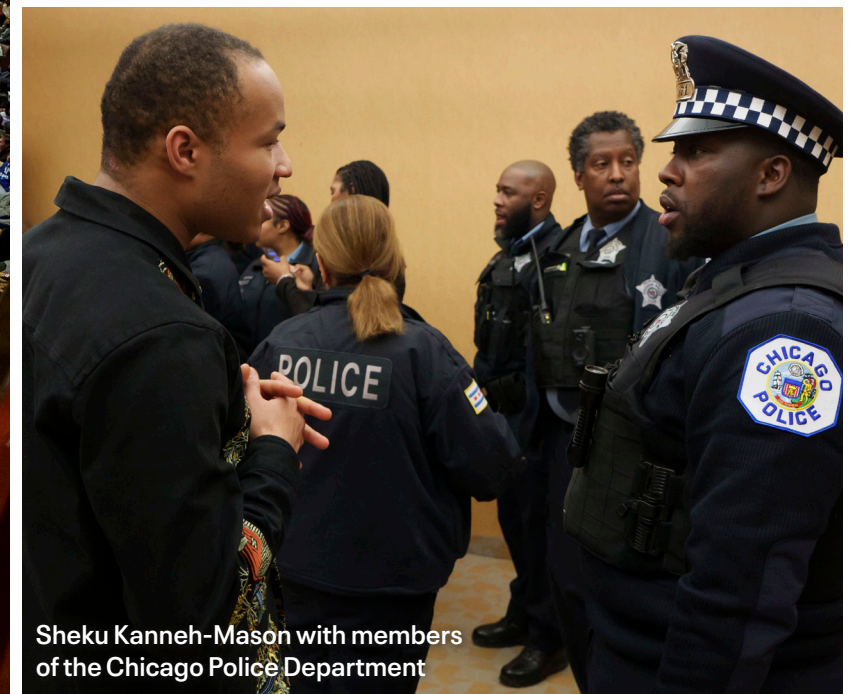
The CSO's performance at Apostolic Church of God received generous support from the **Shebik Community Engagement Programs Fund**.



CSO community concert at Apostolic Church of God



Cellist Sheku Kanneh-Mason with young concert attendees



Sheku Kanneh-Mason with members
of the Chicago Police Department



Philharmonie de Paris

CSO on Tour

The CSO and Riccardo Muti opened Carnegie Hall's season with two sold-out October concerts featuring *The Triumph of the Octagon* by Philip Glass, Italian-inspired works by Mendelssohn and Richard Strauss, and Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto with soloist Leonidas Kavakos. In January, Muti and the CSO embarked on a three-week European tour to 11 cities in seven countries. Concerts took place at the continent's most celebrated music venues, such as Vienna's Musikverein and Milan's Teatro alla Scala.

Tour repertoire included the CSO's Glass commission and the Third Symphony of Florence Price, whose First Symphony was premiered by the CSO in 1933, marking the first performance of a large-scale composition by a Black woman composer given by one of the major U.S. orchestras. On both tours, CSO patrons traveled with the Orchestra, attending performances, spending time with musicians and sightseeing.

See p.44 to learn about the CSO's educational activities on tour.

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra's European Tour was generously sponsored by **Zell Family Foundation**.

Frankfurt Concert Sponsor



Milan Concert Sponsor



Chicago Symphony Orchestra performances at Carnegie Hall were supported by **The Eloise W. Martin Endowed Fund**.



“Riccardo Muti, not seen as a conductor in Paris for three years, electrified the crowd at the Philharmonie de Paris at the helm of the prestigious Chicago Symphony Orchestra.”

Le Monde



Riccardo Muti and the CSO at Carnegie Hall



Composer Philip Glass at Carnegie Hall



CSOA Trustee Lori Julian (center) at a Carnegie Hall reception



Muti at the Philharmonie Luxembourg



Teatro alla Scala in Milan



Musikverein in Vienna

“Two gripping and captivating renditions that allowed top qualities of all of the Chicagoans to shine.”

Kronen Zeitung on the CSO's performances of Price's Third Symphony and Prokofiev's Fifth Symphony at the Musikverein



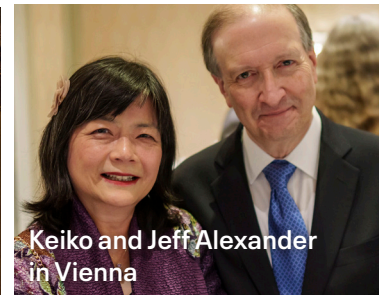
Palais Des Beaux Arts in Brussels



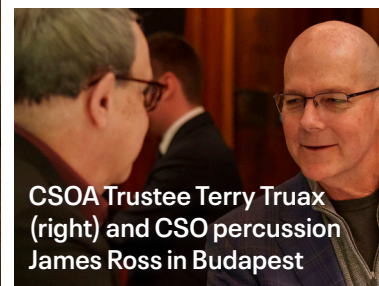
Alte Oper in Frankfurt



Private performance for patrons at Vienna's Theater Museum



Keiko and Jeff Alexander in Vienna



CSOA Trustee Terry Truax (right) and CSO percussion James Ross in Budapest



Members of the Women's Board of the CSOA and CSO musicians in Rome



Negaunee Music Institute at the Chicago Symphony Orchestra



CSO for Kids

Family audiences and school groups explored the world's diversity of people and cultures in the opening concerts of the 2023/24 CSO for Kids series, led by guest conductor François López-Ferrer. Next, Lina González-Granados, a former Solti Conducting Apprentice, returned to Orchestra Hall to conduct Saint-Saëns' imaginative masterpiece, *The Carnival of the Animals*. Tania Miller led a program inspired by the symbolism of water, and Lidiya Yankovskaya conducted performances that focused on the power of community.

For the youngest audience members, the Once Upon a Symphony series featured two popular stories: The Three Little Pigs and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

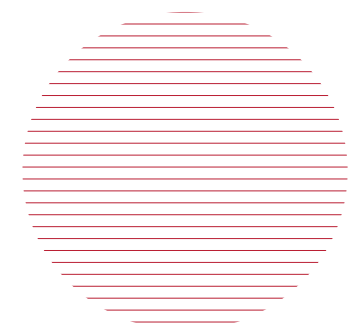
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CSO for Kids concerts and CPS Partnerships
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CSO for Kids Concerts



36
Performances



22,000
Children and youth



13,000
Chicago Public Schools students
149
Chicago Public Schools

School Partnerships

46

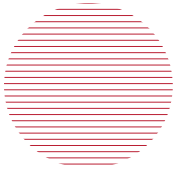
Partner schools across Chicago
Public Schools and in the western
suburbs

45

Teachers in CSO-Connect

1,000

Students in CSO-Connect



The Civic Orchestra of Chicago
led by Principal Conductor
Ken-David Masur in Orchestra Hall

Civic Orchestra of Chicago

The CSO's prestigious training ensemble for young professional musicians, the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, performed seven concerts at Symphony Center and community concerts at South Shore Cultural Center, Senn High School, Hinsdale Central High School and Kenwood Academy High School. As part of the annual Bach Marathon, Civic members performed at community organizations across Chicago and in side-by-side rehearsals with local high school students. The Chicago Symphony Chorus and vocal soloists joined Civic and Principal Conductor Ken-David Masur for the Bach Marathon finale, featuring two of Bach's Advent cantatas and three *Brandenburg* Concertos.

In 2023/24, 11 Civic members participated in the Civic Fellowship program, which provides supplemental training in artistic planning, music education, social justice and project management. Among other projects, Fellows programmed and performed two contemporary chamber music concerts, collaborated with the Chicago Refugee Coalition (see p. 44) and participated in the Notes for Peace program (see p. 43).

The 2023/24 Civic Orchestra season was generously sponsored by **Lori Julian for the Julian Family Foundation**, which also provided major funding for the Civic Fellowship program.



Conductor Lina González-Granados, Eighth Blackbird and the Civic Orchestra



Photo by Elliot Mandel

Members of International Contemporary Ensemble,
Douglas Ewart and Civic Fellows at Epiphany Center for the Arts



Photo by Elliot Mandel

Conductor Roberto Kalb, the Civic Orchestra and members of the
Patrick G. and Shirley W. Ryan Opera Center at the Lyric Opera of Chicago



Jaden Teague-Núñez
and the Civic Orchestra

Musician Training

Jaden Teague-Núñez won the **2024 Crain-Maling Foundation CSO Young Artists Competition** following his performance of Liam Teague's *A Visit to Hell* with the Civic Orchestra and conductor Kyle Dickson. The 16-year-old student from DeKalb High School was the first steelpan player to win the longstanding competition. The final round also featured soloists Chloe Nam (flute) and Elyse Schlesinger (horn).

Title Sponsor



The Crain-Maling Foundation Chicago Symphony Orchestra Young Artists Competition is presented by the **League of the CSOA** and the **Negaunee Music Institute at the CSO**.



During the 2024 **Chicago Youth in Music Festival**, hundreds of young musicians from Chicago Public Schools, local music schools and youth orchestras gathered for repertoire workshops and side-by-side rehearsals with members of the Civic Orchestra and the CSO. Selected students joined the Civic Orchestra and conductor Giancarlo Guerrero for a finale concert featuring Shostakovich's Fourth Symphony.

The 2024 Chicago Youth in Music Festival was generously sponsored by **Megan and Steve Shebik** and by **Michael and Linda Simon**.



In the second season of the **Young Composers Initiative**, six students worked with CSO Mead Composer-in-Residence Jessie Montgomery to create new pieces of chamber music, which were premiered by members of the Civic Orchestra in May. The selected participants this season were Clara Frantzen, Angel Alday, Sylvia Pine, Zachary Guo, Jaime García-Añoveros and Malik Muhammad.

The 2023/24 Young Composers Initiative was generously supported by **Margo and Mike Oberman**.



Co-directed by CSO percussion Patricia Dash and Lyric Opera of Chicago Assistant Principal Percussion Douglas Waddell, the CSO's **Percussion Scholarship Program** provides free, intensive percussion instruction to Chicago youth in grades 3-12. After months of mentorship and performances, the 2023/24 scholars wrapped up their season with a spring recital at Symphony Center.



Throughout the season, the Negaunee Music Institute continued to serve as a lead partner of the **Chicago Musical Pathways Initiative**, which prepares young musicians from underrepresented backgrounds to attend top music schools. In December, CSO Artist-in-Residence Hilary Hahn led a master class with four violinists who are CMPI Fellows.



Hilary Hahn and
Leah Dexter

Community Engagement

The Negaunee Music Institute and Purpose Over Pain commemorated six years of partnership at A Notes for Peace Celebration in March. **Notes for Peace** is a program that empowers parents who have lost children to gun violence to honor their loved ones and process their grief through the act of composing original songs of tribute with the help of Civic Orchestra of Chicago Fellows and guest artists from The Irene Taylor Trust.

The inspiring performance at Symphony Center — which marked the project's 100-song milestone — brought together over 50 Notes for Peace families and included guest vocalists, CSO Artist-in-Residence Hilary Hahn, families of Purpose Over Pain and conductor Kyle Dickson.



Diana Pierce, Purpose
Over Pain Parent

Support for the 2023/24 Notes for Peace program was provided by the **Clinton Family Fund, Megan and Steve Shebik, Theodore and Elisabeth Wachs, John D. and Leslie Henner Burns** and an **anonymous donor**.

A Notes for Peace Celebration was generously sponsored by **Paul and Lisa Wiggin**.



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CSO violin So Young Bae (right) and
Zhaoying Xu, a fellow at the Belgian
National Orchestra Academy



CSO trombone/bass trombone Charles Vernon
at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique
et de Danse de Paris



CSO Principal Bassoon Keith Buncke (right)
and Nathan Robertson, a student in Juilliard's
pre-college program



Associate Concertmaster Stephanie Jeong,
violin Matous Michal and viola Danny Lai
performing for asylum seekers in Brussels

In a new partnership this season, Civic Fellows collaborated with **Chicago Refugee Coalition** to create a program that connects the benefits of musicmaking and storytelling with the coalition's efforts to support refugee and migrant families across the Chicago area. With the support of Sara Lee and Rex Horan from The Irene Taylor Trust, Fellows conducted interviews and curated a concert that celebrated participants' personal experiences and the music of their native lands, including Kenya, Nigeria, Congo, Venezuela, Benin, Somalia and Brazil.

With support from the Negaunee Music Institute, members of the CSO led master classes at **Carnegie Hall** and in several cities on the **European Tour**. Several musicians also gave a performance for a group of asylum seekers from around the world in Brussels, Belgium.



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Digital Engagement



CSO Resound

**2024 Grammy Award
Winner: Best Engineered
Album, Classical**

David Frost & Charlie Post,
engineers; Silas Brown,
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Charlie Post



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196,400

Weekly listeners on Chicago's WFMT 98.7 network

507

Syndicated stations across

43

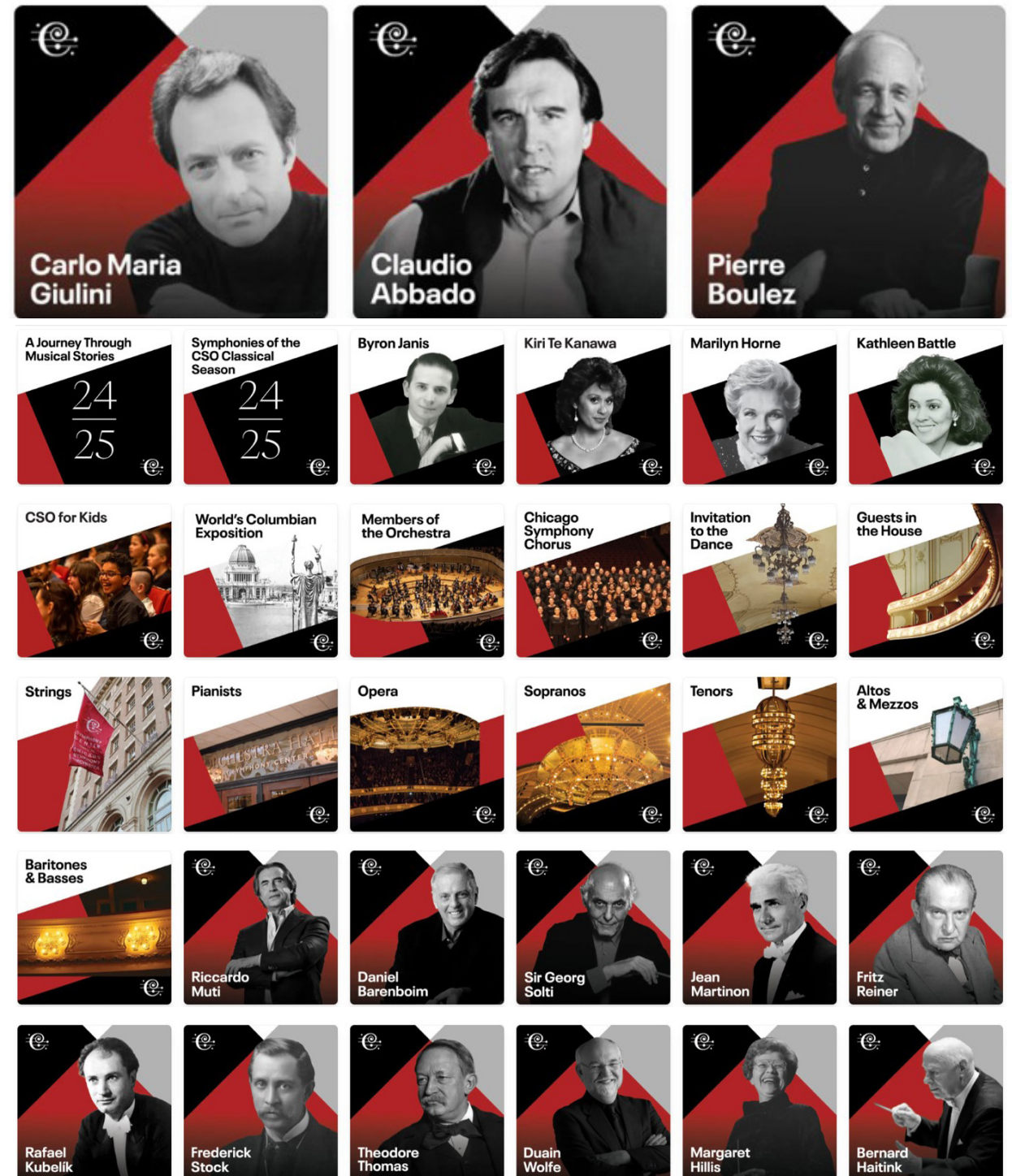
States and Puerto Rico



Apple Music Classical Partnership

33

curated playlists on Apple Music and Apple Music Classical





Social Media



YouTube: Muti Conducts Beethoven 9



Launched **May 7, 2015**
 Watch Time = **12.4M hours**
 Views = **50M**
 Impressions = **582M**
 New YouTube Subscribers = **177K**



Klaus Mäkelä Announcement

Organic and national paid advertising campaign

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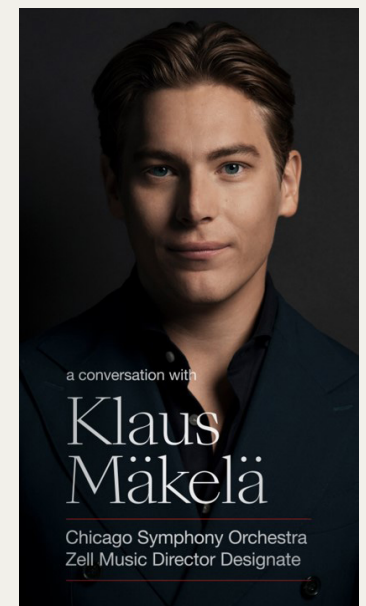
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 Average Percentage Viewed = **79%**

Email

Delivered = **281K**





Donor, Patron & Volunteer Highlights



Fundraising Highlights



Pianist Conrad Tao at
Fall in Love with Music

Photo by Eric Stroza



CSO bassoon Miles
Maner and Jeanne
Martineau at the
President's Dinner

2023/24 Donor Support

\$23.8M

Direct operational support (+6.8% from 2022/23)
15,740 total gifts (+2.6% from 2022/23)

11,799

Total donors (+5.3% from 2022/23)
Includes 4,541 first-time donors

\$46M

Commitments to the *SEMPRE ALWAYS* campaign

\$12.4M

Recognized estate bequests, including those directed
to *SEMPRE ALWAYS* and other strategic initiatives



SEMPRE ALWAYS: The Campaign for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra

A fundraising initiative that advances the CSO's preeminent role as a cultural icon showcasing musical brilliance, leadership and innovation

Campaign Progress

\$175M

Campaign goal

\$100M

Strategic investment

\$75M

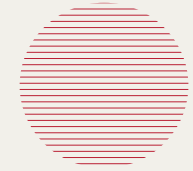
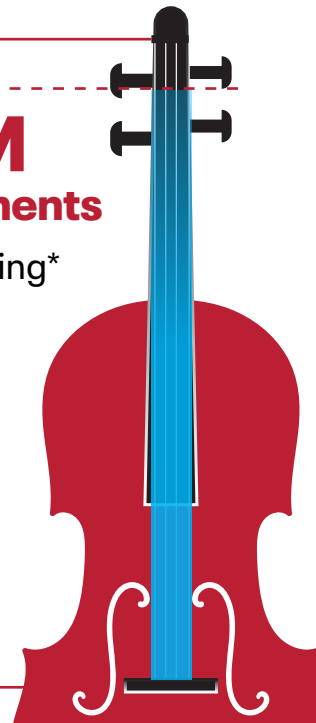
Long-term endowment

\$159.9M
total commitments

\$15M (9%) remaining*

*As of June 30, 2024

\$0



Campaign Donor Spotlight: The Negaunee Foundation

In March, the locally based Negaunee Foundation announced a \$21 million gift to the CSOA. Representing one of the largest commitments in the CSOA's history, the gift builds on a multi-decade history of giving by The Negaunee Foundation that is focused on education and community programs and strengthens the organization's endowment fund to ensure long-term financial stability. The new gift also includes operating funds for concert sponsorships and special artistic projects.



Sales Highlights 2023/24 Sales Records

\$23M

Highest ticket revenue since 2017/18



292K

Highest number of tickets sold since 2017/18

57K

Highest number of unique ticket-buyer households on record; includes **29K** first-time buyer households

64K

Highest number of unique ticket-holder households on record*

23K

Highest number of student tickets sold in history

\$512K

Highest total operating revenue through the Symphony Store**

*Includes paid tickets, complimentary tickets and free concerts

**In current configuration going back to 2010/11



Groups for Donors, Patrons and Volunteers



Behind the Curtain
with organist Paul Jacobs

Photo by Eric Sioza



Jeff Alexander, Shelley Ochab,
Judy Feldman, Lynn Singer,
Sandy Rusnak and Roderick Branch

Governing Members

The CSOA's first established philanthropic society

Founded in 1894, the Governing Members provide vital support for the CSOA each season. In 2023/24, the group welcomed 18 new members and enjoyed special events including an on-stage conversation with organist Paul Jacobs and Frank Villella, director of the CSOA's Rosenthal Archives. Governing Members also attended exclusive backstage tours of Symphony Center and four postconcert receptions with guest artists such as pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet and conductor Susanna Mälkki.

Women's Board

Women leaders championing the CSOA's artistic excellence, educational programs and community involvement

With leadership from Women's Board members Judy Feldman (president), Shelley Ochab (immediate past president), Lynn Singer and Sandy Rusnak, along with CSOA Trustee Roderick Branch, the annual Symphony Ball gala raised over \$1 million to benefit the CSOA.

Women's Board donors and volunteers also supported Negaunee Music Institute programs such as A Notes for Peace Celebration and the Civic Orchestra's performance with local sextet Eighth Blackbird. The group hosted two community engagement events titled Get to Know your CSO, offering prospective members opportunities to socialize with the Women's Board and hear from CSOA staff members. In January, 11 Women's Board members traveled to Europe with the CSO Patrons Tour (see p. 34).



The League

The CSOA's largest volunteer group, supporting educational programs and audience development

Following an artist postponement from the previous season, the League supported two Corporate Night events in 2023/24: one featuring singer, songwriter and pianist Ben Folds and the other showcasing music from the James Bond films. The two events raised \$1.3 million to benefit the CSOA.

Pianist Conrad Tao and conductor James Gaffigan were the special guests at the League's Fall in Love with Music fundraising event. The League also hosted the annual Musicians Luncheon to honor members of the Orchestra, and the executive committee held a tea reception to thank League members who have been part of the volunteer group for more than 30 years.

Corporate Night Presenting Sponsor



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Overture Council

The CSOA's network for young professionals

This season, the Overture Council welcomed 69 new members, increasing the group's membership to 137. More than 700 people, most of them newcomers to the CSO, attended the OC's signature Soundpost events this season.

Singer and sound healing artist Davin Youngs returned to the series to lead Reset, an immersive experience in Orchestra Hall. The OC partnered with the Chicago Fashion Coalition for the second event, Perception, a fashion show with music by Civic Orchestra members. Other highlights of the OC's season included a networking night, a joint event with the Lyric Young Professionals and an exclusive backstage tour for OC Luxe members, which ended with a champagne toast on Armour Stage.



32nd Annual Corporate Night with Ben Folds



33rd Annual Corporate Night with John Morris Russell and Capathia Jenkins



Musicians Luncheon



Soundpost: Perception



Susan Carlotta Ellis,
Barbara Wright-Pryor and
Cornelius Johnson, CSO
African American Network
Advisory Board members

African American Network

A group that engages Chicago's culturally rich African American community through the sharing of unforgettable musical experiences

With leadership from 30 advisory board members, the African American Network hosted receptions after six concerts this season, including Samara Joy, Montgomery and the Blacknificent 7, Christian McBride's *The Movement Revisited*, Sheku Kanneh-Mason *Plays Elgar* and Gateways Festival Orchestra featuring Take 6. For its final event of the season, the AAN partnered with the Latino Alliance to present *Noche de jazz*, featuring an exclusive conversation with trumpeter Wynton Marsalis and conductor Giancarlo Guerrero after the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra's performance with the CSO.

Latino Alliance

A partner and liaison that connects the CSO with Chicago's diverse communities

In January, the Latino Alliance celebrated its 10th anniversary with a party at the Instituto Cervantes of Chicago, where a Civic Orchestra string quartet and Chicago's Mariachi Fusion Trio performed works by Latino composers. The group also hosted receptions for six concerts at Symphony Center this season. Family-friendly offerings included *Noche navideña* — an annual holiday favorite — and an event at a CSO for Kids concert conducted by Colombian-American Lina González-Granados. Sixteen advisory board members provided leadership for the Latino Alliance throughout the season.



CSO Latino Alliance:
Noche alegre



Western Suburbs Ambassadors

*A group of committed advocates
for the CSOA*

The Western Suburbs Ambassadors subscribe to the CSO at Wheaton series and donate to support the CSOA's artistic, educational and community engagement programs. Members of the group joined Dale Hedding, vice president for development, at a reception before the final CSO at Wheaton concert of the season.

Theodore Thomas Society

The CSOA's planned giving society

The Theodore Thomas Society recognizes those who make estate plans, in any amount, to benefit the CSO in the future. This season, the annual members' luncheon featured a conversation about CSO for Kids programs with CSO flute Emma Gerstein, Theodore Thomas Society member Mimi Duginger and CSO for Kids associate director Katy Clusen.

Stradivarian Associates, a group of Theodore Thomas Society members who provide documentation of major planned gifts, also attended postconcert receptions with Assistant Concertmaster David Taylor, guest violinist Benjamin Beilman and conductor Jakub Hruška. During Estate Planning Awareness Week in October, a group of concert attendees gathered to learn about joining the society with a legacy gift in support of the CSO.



Theodore Thomas
Society Luncheon



Theodore Thomas Society Chair
Mary Louise Gorno with
Katy Clusen and Mimi Duginger



CSO Student
Ambassadors



CSO Student Ambassadors

College students who are passionate about connecting with their student communities through orchestral music experiences

This season, more than 25 students representing colleges and universities in Chicagoland and beyond were active CSO Student Ambassadors. They played a key role in planning two College Nights, each of which included a free pizza dinner, a Q&A with a CSO musician and a CSO concert with a special ticket price for students. The success of these events, together with the Student Ambassadors' weekly student ticket updates on Instagram, contributed to a record number of 22,641 student tickets sold throughout the season.

CSO for Kids Ambassadors

Parents and caregivers who are passionate about sharing the CSO's family-friendly programming with their young ones and communities

A group newly formed in the 2023/24 Season, the CSO for Kids Ambassadors welcomed more than 15 new members. Ambassadors contribute to vital conversations with staff regarding the accessibility of the CSO's programming for children and families. Members also have access to free tickets to select CSO concerts and exclusive experiences for the whole family, such as meet-and-greets with CSO musicians and backstage tours.



CSO for Kids Ambassadors
with their families and
Production Manager Joe Sherman



Open House Chicago



Classic Encounter with Terri Hemmert



Open House Chicago



CD signings with the Symphony Store



Poems While You Wait

Photo by Nuccio DiNuzzo



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Mead Composer-in-Residence

Hilary Hahn

Artist-in-Residence

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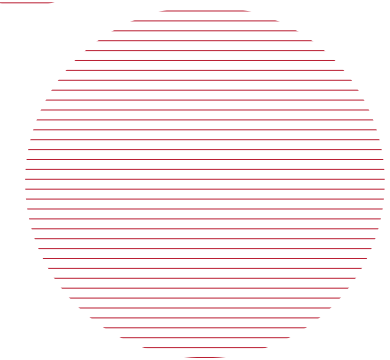
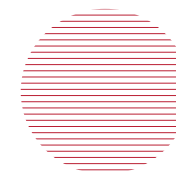
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of the Octagon*



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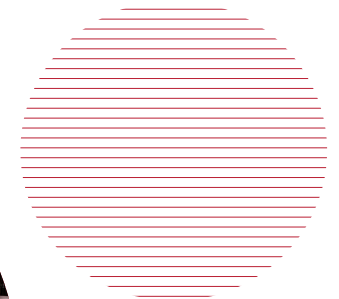
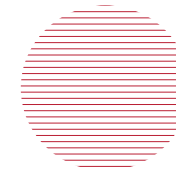


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