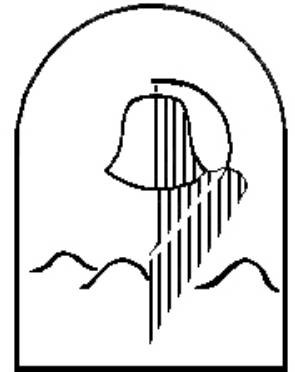


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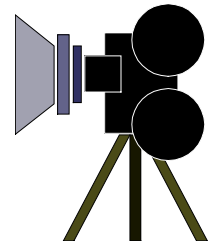
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Please join us for our next chapter event!

“Hooray for Harpywood” with David Ice

May 4, Sunday, 4:00 pm

West Valley Presbyterian Church
6191 Bollinger Rd., Cupertino



“Hooray for Harpywood” is a lighthearted look at how the harp is used in the movies, both onscreen and in the underscore. Film clips illustrate both on-camera performances and behind the scenes looks at composing, scoring, and mixing. And yes, it's okay to laugh! Free and open to the public.

Directions: The church is located on the corner of Miller Ave. and Bollinger Rd. in Cupertino

from 101 South: take 85 S to 280 S

- Exit Wolfe Rd. Turn right and take Wolfe Rd. south toward Saratoga (1.5 miles)
- Wolfe Road becomes Miller Ave. when it crosses Steven’s Creek Blvd. Continue on Miller Ave.
- The church will be on the left hand side at the corner of Miller Ave. and Bollinger Rd.
- When you see the tall a-frame roof with the cross on it on your left, turn left into the church parking lot (before you reach Bollinger)

from 101 North: take 280 N

from 680 South: continue onto 280 N

- Exit Wolfe Rd. Turn left and take Wolfe Rd. south toward Saratoga (1.5 miles)
- The rest of the directions are the same as above

from 17 North: take 85 N

- Exit at De Anza Blvd. Take De Anza Blvd. north towards Cupertino (.7 miles)
- Right on Bollinger Rd. (1.1 miles)
- The church will be on the left hand side at the corner of Miller Ave. and Bollinger Rd.
- Turn left onto Miller and then immediately right into the church parking lot

Planning Meeting for 2008/2009

Our annual planning meeting will be held at the home of Lynne Rovin in July, and it is open to all members. If you’d like to be part of the planning process, or if you have any ideas to share, please contact Lynne and let her know what days and/or dates are good for you. We will try to pick a date that accommodates the most number of people. Once we schedule a date, it will be announced both on the website and in an email update.

A Message from our Chapter President

Dear Members,

I regret to inform you that two of our officers, Martha Bailey (Vice President of Programming) and Jennifer Hurley (Secretary), will not be able to continue to serve in their positions next year. They have both done great jobs and have made this year one of the best we've ever had. However, we are now in the position of needing a new programming VP and secretary. It would be very difficult for me to make this chapter function without these two important positions. If any of you are interested in filling one of these positions, I would really appreciate it if you would call me or send an email and let me know. If I don't hear from anyone, I will start calling potential volunteers. Our chapter has been in existence for 40 years – yes this year, 2008, is our 40th anniversary. It would be wonderful to start next year with a full board so we can celebrate this milestone with something special.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Your President,
Lynne Rovin

Review of Harp Live Irish

By Lynne Rovin

We all had a grand time at Harp Live Irish on March 16th, which was graciously hosted by Jennifer Hurley. It was a wonderful way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We shared beautiful music, including harp solos, harp and voice, and duets with piano and harp, as well as flute and harp. Martha Bailey and Jennifer Hurley wore matching green tuxedo t-shirts for the occasion, and Bob Fonda wore a bright green vest his mother had made for him (we won't say how many years ago!). We were treated to a delicious buffet of Irish food, including Irish soda bread and special Irish smoked salmon as well as a wide variety of other goodies (including green chocolate-mint cake). We enjoyed conversations with local Irish friends as well as Irish and Irish-want-to-be harp society members. To add to the atmosphere, Jennifer had enchanting guests from Dublin staying with her. So it really was Harp Live Irish!



Review of Paul Hurst's Advanced Improvisation Workshop

By Lynne Rovin and Stephanie Janowski

"I can't believe I actually did it – I improvised a song!" and "It wasn't as hard as I thought!" These are just some of the exclamations that came from the participants at Paul Hurst's advanced improvisation workshop on Sunday, April 6th. We learned some of the history of the development of western harmonies, along with some of the more common chord progressions. Then we learned how to make our own chord progressions and discovered just how easy it was to create music! Once we had our chord progressions down, we turned our attention to writing melodies to go with them. We learned about harmonic and non-harmonic tones, and how to build an entire melody starting with only a small melodic fragment. We had plenty of time and encouragement to experiment with our ideas, and we all found it much easier than we had expected. With Paul's usual endearing charm and graciousness, he helped us understand how music is put together and started us on the path to creating our own music. It was both an enlightening experience and great fun!

Artsopolis – A Local Arts Resource

Our chapter is a member of the Silicon Valley Arts Coalition (SVAC), and at a recent SVAC meeting, Susannah Greenwood spoke to us about Artsopolis. Artsopolis.com is a non-profit website that provides listings of and information about local arts events, as well as half price tickets to a number of those events. Susannah Greenwood is the Web content manager, ticket coordinator, and Princess of Artsopolis (yes, that is her nickname). The site has been serving the Silicon Valley community for 5 years and there are currently 800 organizations listed on the site. Artsopolis covers events in the Silicon Valley area south to Gilroy, north to South Alameda County in the East Bay, and San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties in between. To quote the Artsopolis website:



"Artsopolis.com is the leading online resource for Arts and Cultural information for the Silicon Valley region. It offers the largest database of Silicon Valley Arts and Cultural events, as well as additional listings of classes and workshops, jobs, auditions, organizations, venues, public art, and individual artists."

The site www.artsopolis.com is divided into various sections including: music, theatre, dance, art, kid and family activities, free events, and more. They have a section for Artist Profiles for individual performers, as well as a Business Directory and a classified section (all free). There is also a section for e-mail communities, and a miscellaneous section for "hard-to-place" announcements. You can sign up for a weekly email that allows you to buy half price tickets.

Video and soundclips can be added to ads and announcements. Artsopolis may even be able to shoot video at a dress rehearsal to promote an upcoming concert. You can search for a concert by keyword (for example, by a particular composer). In fact, Martha Bailey found our announcement on the Artsopolis site for the David Ice presentation by searching on “Harpywood”.

Artsopolis is always looking for feedback on how to create effective marketing for arts organizations. If you have any questions about how to use the site, Princess Susannah and the Artsopolis crew are always there to help. As an organization, as individual performers, and as people who are looking for something fun to do, Artsopolis is a website that should be on your favorites list. Check it out at www.artsopolis.com

Changes to Membership Roster

Please send any membership roster corrections or changes to Celeste Misfeldt at:

4731 Applewood Drive
San Jose, CA 95129
membership@scvharp.org
408-252-5918

Newsletter Information Requested!

- Do you know of a harp event coming up soon?
- Do you know someone who has a regular gig at a restaurant?
- Other ideas you would like to see in the newsletter?
- Ads are free to members



Please let us know and we can include this information in our email updates and newsletters. Send all news items to Stephanie Janowski, Newsletter Editor at newsletter@scvharp.org or 408-366-8810. Unless otherwise requested, all events and ads submitted will appear in both the newsletter and on the website.

The next full newsletter will come out in the fall. In the meantime, please watch for email updates.

Spring Event Calendar

- Sundays 10:30 am
Immanuel Lutheran Church regular Sunday service, **Martha Bailey**, harp. 1710 Moorpark Ave, San Jose.
- Fri. Apr. 11 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Grace Cathedral “After Hours”, Diana Stork on lever harp and Teed Rockwell on the Chapman stick performing Indian Ragas and other improvisations by the Labyrinth. 1100 California St. (California and Taylor Streets), San Francisco. Info: www.harpdancer.com.
- Sat., Apr. 12 7:30 pm
Sun., Apr. 13 3:00 pm
California Pops Orchestra “Swing, Swing, Swing” with the Black Tie Jazz Orchestra. **Bob Fonda, Carol Holsinger**, and **Mary Pless** on harp. Spangenberg Theatre, Gunn High School, 780 Arastradero Road, Palo Alto. Info: 650-856-8432 or www.californiapopsorchestra.com.
- Sun., Apr. 13 3:00 pm
Students of **Linda Rollo** in recital. At the home of Linda Rollo, 15735 Peach Hill Rd., Saratoga.
- Sat., Apr. 26 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Harp Day for Kids: A Spring BAFHS harp event especially for children 12 and under (must be members of BAFHS). At the home of **Diana Stork**, 2419-A Tenth St., Berkeley. RSVP to Diana at 510-548-3326 or dianastork@california.com.
- Sun., Apr. 27 2:00 pm
Harpeggio Music and **Celeste Misfeldt** student recital. West Valley Presbyterian Church, 6191 Bollinger Rd., Cupertino.
- Sun., Apr. 27 7:30 pm
Tues., Apr. 29 7:30 pm
Marin Symphony, Dan Levitan, harp. Program includes *Tabuh-Tabuhan* by McPhee and *Carmina Burana* by Orff. Marin Veterans' Memorial Auditorium, 3501 Civic Center Dr., San Rafael. Info: www.marinsymphony.org.

- Sat., May 3 2:00 pm
Harp master class by Susann McDonald. Auditors are welcome (the class is full). The auditor fee is \$25. At the home of **Linda Rollo**, 15735 Peach Hill Rd., Saratoga. Please RSVP to Linda Rollo, lwrollo@gmail.com.
- Sun., May 11 2:30 pm
Stanford Harp Department Spring Harp Recital. Program includes Hindemith *Sonata, Prelude in C* by Prokofieff, *Choral and Variations* by Widor (harp and piano), *Communion, Poem of the Little Stars, La Desirade* by Salzedo (harp and voice), and *Sonata*, by Dussek. Campbell Hall, Braun Music Building, Stanford University. Admission Free.
- Sun., May 18 7:00 pm
Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church Bell Choir concert, **Mary Pless**, harp. Program includes *American Folk Hymn Suite* by Dale Wood. 728 W. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale.
- Sun., May 25 2:00 pm
Friends Authors and Arts Series at the Livermore Public Library presents Bay Area Youth Harp Ensemble Spring Showcase, directed by **Diana Stork**. Civic Center Library, 1188 S Livermore Ave. Info: 925-373-5505 or www.ci.livermore.ca.us/library/programs.html.
- Sun., June 1 3:00 pm
California Pops Orchestra "Henry Mancini Magic". **Bob Fonda, Carol Holsinger**, and **Mary Pless** on harp. Spangenberg Theatre, Gunn High School, 780 Arastradero Rd., Palo Alto. Info: 650-856-8432 or www.californiapopsorchestra.com.
- Sun., June 1 3:30 pm
Harp concert by Noel and **Joy Wan**, sponsored by the Saratoga Retirement Community. This will be Joy's farewell concert before college. Space is limited and RSVP to Sylvia Wan at 408-926-5681 is required. Saratoga Retirement Community, 14500 Fruitvale Ave., Saratoga.
- Sat., Jun. 7 8:00 pm
Sun., Jun. 8 2:30 pm
Symphony Silicon Valley, Dan Levitan, harp. Program includes *Four Sea Interludes from "Peter Grimes"* by Britten and *Symphonic Dances* by Rachmaninoff. The California Theatre, 345 South First Street, San Jose. Info: www.symphonysiliconvalley.org.

Classifieds

Harps for Sale

Lyon and Healy Style 15. Asking \$8000. Contact Linda Rollo at 408-395-4327 or LWRollo@gmail.com.

Salvi Eire Lever harp, natural, in mint condition. Includes harp bag, tuner, harp strap, certificate, and lever harp books. Asking price: \$899 (willing to take all reasonable offers into consideration). Contact Lina Lam at Lina.Lam@students.dominican.edu or 415-699-5459.

Harps for Rent

Lyon and Healy Style 15. \$100 per month. Contact Linda Rollo at 408-395-4327 or LWRollo@gmail.com.

Quality harps for rent and sale: Lever, folk, and pedal harps, Lyon & Healy, Salvi, and Dusty Strings. Top quality and fair prices. Roberta Peek 415-479-9219.

Harps for rent: Salvi, Dusty Strings, William Rees, and others. Includes harp, tuning key, case/cover and electronic tuner with pickup. Please call for availability and prices. Contact Carol Holsinger at 650-326-3146 or carol@holsingerharps.com.

Other

Harp trunk for sale. Heavy duty Lyon Healy shipping trunk, wood with the metal bracketing around the edges with wheels: easy to move even with the harp inside. \$1400.00 (negotiable). Contact: Dan Levitan at 510-795-8004 or harpmandan@comcast.net.