

Paul Ross, Conductor

This is Paul Ross's 14th season as MYO's conductor. Mr. Ross holds degrees in cello and conducting from Juilliard School of Music and is cellist for the Portland String Quartet. He conducts the Androscoggin Valley Community Orchestra and the North Yarmouth Academy String Ensemble and is founding conductor of the Augusta Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Ross teaches at Bowdoin College and is artist-in-residence at Colby College. He has been the principal cellist for the Portland Symphony Orchestra, the Quebec Symphony Orchestra, and the Robert Shaw Chorale. He previously conducted the Midcoast Symphony Orchestra. In 1987, he received an Honorary Doctorate of Music Degree from Colby College.

Scott Thurston, Winds and Brass Coach

Scott Thurston has been teaching band, orchestra, and chorus in public schools for the past eleven years. He has a diverse background of professional performance in both orchestral and contemporary styles on both Bass and Trombone. He is currently a member of the 195th Maine Army Band, as well as Band and Orchestra director for Greely Middle School in Cumberland, Maine. Scott teaches private lessons and is working towards his Masters in Conducting at the American Band College in Ashland, Oregon.

Jeanie Wester, Strings Coach

Jeanie Wester attended Wittenberg University. Ms. Wester teaches viola and violin. She has been a member of the Bangor Symphony, Maine Chamber Ensemble, and the Maine State Ballet. She has been with MYO for many years, as a board member, orchestra manager, strings coach, and librarian.

Schedule

MYO practices weekly on Tuesdays at Yarmouth High School from 6:15 to 8:15 PM. Our season runs from September through May, with three formal concerts a year.

Interested students may also perform at outreach concerts at schools, museums and government offices throughout the area, as well as in small group ensembles.

Musicians of all orchestra instruments — strings, brass and woodwinds — are welcome and encouraged to attend an open rehearsal. Call 207-751-8031 or email us at info@maineyouthorchestra.org.



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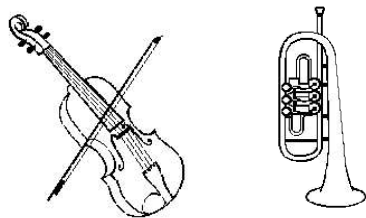
The **Maine Youth Orchestra** gives student musicians from southern, mid-coast and central Maine the unique opportunity to play in a symphony orchestra under professional direction.

MYO is dedicated to supporting and training middle and high school aged students to perform major symphonic works.

MYO musicians have numerous performance opportunities, including formal concerts, outreach to area schools and museums, and small group ensembles.

Interested instrumentalists are always welcome to attend a rehearsal.

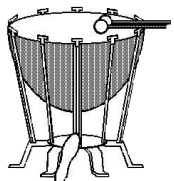
MYO & the community



Under the direction of **Paul Ross**, cellist for the Portland String Quartet, MYO performs three formal concerts a year and offers talented musicians the opportunity to play in small ensembles.

As part of its commitment to the community, **MYO** provides music for banquets, book signings, holiday gatherings and other occasions.

We also provide outreach concerts to area schools upon request.



MYO & Maine students

MYO is one of the oldest youth orchestras in Maine. For many of our students, it is the only opportunity to perform classic orchestral music.

MYO is a place where young people can experience the joy of playing music together and of taking that music into their communities.

MYO students are encouraged to participate in their school music programs. This is a wonderful way in which students can contribute to their school community, and to repay the start in music they may have received there.

MYO has been proud to support many students who have gone on to attend music schools as *Julliard, New England Conservatory, Manhattan School of Music, Eastman School of Music* and *Oberlin Conservatory*.

Many of our alumni are professional musicians and teachers or amateur musicians with community symphonies.

Here's how you can help

- Come to our performances! Our concert schedule is posted at maineyouthorchestra.org.
- Request our services at your next community or business meeting.
- Tell teenage musicians you know of this marvelous opportunity!
- Through your generous tax-deductible financial gifts.

MYO & You

Our budget is modest and comes from a combination of tuition paid by student musicians and donations from community members and businesses.

MYO is run by a volunteer board of directors. All contributions go directly to

pay for music, scholarships to the orchestra, concert hall rentals and the conductors' fees.

Won't you consider investing in your community and our young people?

If you'd like more information, visit our Web site at

www.maineyouthorchestra.org.

Our orchestra is an incorporated nonprofit organization, operating the **Maine Youth Orchestra**. All contributions are tax-deductible, and may be sent to the address below.

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