



## The Las Vegas Philharmonic

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### Our Mission Statement

*"The Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild will support the orchestra in its musical performances and educational initiatives throughout the Las Vegas Valley. Its members, through volunteer service, will raise funds, assist at performances, and develop such other projects as will further the goals of the orchestra."*

## Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild

### Our Next Meeting

The first General Meeting of 2011 will be held on Thursday January 27 starting at 6:30 pm. We are trying out a new Summerlin location that we believe will be ideal for our meetings. We'll have a brief business meeting followed by musical entertainment, raffles, and a chance to visit with other Guild members during dessert and coffee.

Veteran's Memorial Leisure Center  
101 N. Pavilion Center Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89144

Please RSVP to help us plan for setup: 399-1026

### Upcoming Concerts

November 17 *Connoisseur Cabaret Event I* — Maestro David Itkin on piano with a special guest vocalist

November 20 *Masterworks II* at the UNLV Performing Arts Center — Adler, Bruch, and Tchaikovsky

December 11 *Pops II* at the UNLV Performing Arts Center — *A Christmas Celebration*

January 15 *Masterworks III* at the UNLV Performing Arts Center — Mendelssohn, Khachaturian, and Brahms

February 12 *Masterworks Rising Star* at the UNLV Performing Arts Center — Alexander Prior, Guest Conductor

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# Quarter Notes

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### Please Attend the Guild General Membership Meeting

Thursday January 27, 2011  
6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Veteran's Memorial Leisure Center  
101 N. Pavilion Center Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89144  
RSVP: 399-1026

### On Our Way

The Philharmonic season is underway and it is off to a great start! The first Masterworks concert which featured cellist Julie Albers was simply amazing and Clint Holmes was masterful with his interpretation of Frank Sinatra's classics in the first of the Pops series. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful orchestra. I hope many of you were able to attend these wonderful concerts. Let's spread the word and keep the "house" full. We've listed the next few concerts on the back. I hope to see you there since we are in for tremendous treats.

The Guild has two wonderful opportunities planned for getting us into the holiday spirit – Art and Music and our Holiday Martini Monday Musicales. Flyers for both are in this newsletter and on our website.

Debra Mills  
Guild President

### "Art and Music" at Classic Art

Be sure to attend "Art and Music" at Classic Art – the studio of glass artist Leslie Rankin. This event includes wine and soft drinks, catered hors d'oeuvres and desserts, and very special music by Deblanc Music (singers from the same talented organization who sang at the September Martini Monday.) Leslie is generously donating art for a very special raffle. Glass art gifts in various price ranges will be available for purchase.

Help the Guild spread the word to your friends and colleagues about this important fundraiser. You can also suggest they visit the Future Events section of our website – [LasVegasGuild.com](http://LasVegasGuild.com) –

to view the flyer. And feel free to copy the flyer and post it at your local Community Center, Library, or other public locations.

"Art and Music" will be held on Friday November 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm and tickets are \$65 in advance. Classic Art is located at 5850 Polaris Ave # 700 just west of I15 near Russell Ave.

### Holiday Martini Monday

Mark your social calendars for the Holiday Martini Monday Musicales at the beautifully decorated home of Ralph and Mary Lou Bresee on December 13 at 6pm. Cost is \$35 in advance. Appetizers, desserts, and holiday music will provide a great finish to our events of calendar year 2010.

### GoodShop - An Easy Way to Donate to the Guild

Many of you participated in Macy's *Shop for a Cause* in October. Thank you! Now we have another way for you to donate year-round by doing what you may already be doing – shopping on-line with a variety of stores. It really is easy:

- 1) Go to [www.GoodShop.com](http://www.GoodShop.com).
- 2) In the blue box at the bottom of the screen that reads, 'WHO DO YOU GOODSHOP FOR?' enter Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild, and then press the 'VERIFY' button.
- 3) Proceed to search for your favorite on-line store from the 'Search for Stores' section, or select a store from the 'Select a Store' dropdown.
- 4) Begin shopping!

## An Important Message for Each and Every Member

We are refining the membership list and can really use your help. Would you please take just a couple of minutes as soon as you get this newsletter and send us an email (from the email address you want us to use) with your full name, your mailing address, your home telephone number, and a cell phone number if you are open to sharing that information. If you are registered as a couple or as two premier members, please make sure to send his/her phone numbers and email address as well as your own.

You may have sent in a written membership form but in some cases we were unsure of spellings or information was missing. Or over time, you may have changed your email address or phone number. So even though this may seem to be an unnecessary exercise, please know that it will be very much appreciated and will save a lot of time for the membership and telephone committees.

Please email this to Guild@LVPhil.com or call Gordon Ball at 347-2834 if you do not have email. And if you haven't renewed your membership, please do so soon — the Philharmonic needs your support. Many thanks to all of you for doing this.

## The Telephone Committee Needs Your Help

Rosemary Sport is our Telephone Committee Chair. Over time this important committee has shrunk in size so more volunteers are needed. What does the committee do? They are the communicators who get the word out to the rest of the Guild about events or other items of importance. If you've ever received a call reminding you about the General Meeting for example, you were most likely talking to a Telephone Committee volunteer.

All you need is a good telephone voice and a genuine interest in encouraging fellow members to participate in Guild events. It's a great way to really get to know other members. And if we have enough volunteers, your overall time commitment will be fairly limited.

Please call Rosemary at 399-1026 or send an email to Guild@LVPhil.com to let us know you are interested.

## Volunteer of the Quarter - Barb Ciocca

Our Volunteer of the Quarter is Barb Ciocca. Anyone who has taken the Summerlin bus from the Starlight Theater to a Philharmonic concert at UNLV, knows Barb very well. This is her second year of volunteering for the Guild to assist with making sure that all of the riders who board the bus in Summerlin make it home on the trip back from UNLV's Ham Hall.

Originally from Whittier, California, Barb has been coming to Las Vegas for many years as a vacationer with her family. She purchased her home in Summerlin in 1997, but didn't move here officially until 2003. She helped to run a family business for many years in Whittier. Upon retiring from the business, she

began her volunteer efforts with many worthy causes, one of which was a local hospital. Through that connection, she became the Volunteer Coordinator for the hospital's hospice program, a job she continued with for five years until her final retirement and permanent move to Las Vegas.

Like many of us, Barb had an early childhood interest in music, pursuing the piano throughout her school years. Through her membership in the Guild, she is able to continue that interest with a renewed passion. In addition to the Summerlin bus duty, Barb has assisted at several Philharmonic donor receptions. We appreciate her involvement in the Guild and look forward to working with her for many years to come.

## Publicity

The Guild needs someone to assist in "getting the word out" about our fundraising events. With so many things happening in the Las Vegas area, getting noticed is often a challenge. If you are willing to spend time each month sending out messages to area on-line and printed community calendars and contacting various media outlets such as magazines, newspapers etc, and building a good working relationship with them, we would love to hear from you.

What skills are needed? Persistence, the ability to communicate clearly and concisely in writing and on the phone, attentiveness to deadlines, and exuberance for telling others about the Guild.

## Transportation

Some of our senior members have been reluctant to attend some events since they either do not drive or are not comfortable doing so in the evening. iTNLasVegasValley may be able to help. This non-profit's mission is to provide a community-based, community-supported, economically viable and consumer-oriented, quality transportation service for seniors and for adults with visual impairment. Some quick facts about their service:

- Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Available for any type of ride within the service area, with no limitations on ride purpose.
- Rides are provided in private automobiles by trained drivers.
- People 60 years and older, and adults with visual impairments are eligible to join.
- Rides may be booked any time; discounts applied for shared rides and advance notice.
- Program is available to assist low income individuals.

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While they currently only provide service to individuals living in Henderson and limited zip codes nearby, they do hope to expand. Their contact information and their website are listed below. Please contact them directly (not the Guild) to ensure that the information you receive is accurate and up-to-date. And even if you live in Summerlin, please make sure they know you are interested so hopefully they will be able to offer the service to you as well. And be sure to let them know you're a Guild member.

## Things We Could Use...

- Wine for our various events
- Ingredients for that "Perfect Martini"
- Martini glasses—real glass, not plastic
- Raffle items for our General Meetings

If you are interested in contributing any of these items, please contact the Guild Office — 702.258.5438 x225 — or send email to Guild@LVPhil.com.

## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

December 11 Both performances of *A Christmas Celebration* at UNLV

January 11–13 Three performances of the Youth Concerts at UNLV

January 15 Master Works III Concert at UNLV

February 12 Rising Star Concert at UNLV

## Lost and Found

A wide gold bracelet was left at the Simply Sinatra Martini Monday. If you are the owner, contact Debra Mills.

## To Contact Your Guild Board

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## Many thanks to...

... Greg Gravlin, a new Guild Member who generously donated two half-page ads in "In Business." We used them to advertise our *Art and Music* event and encourage area readers to join the Guild. Advertising in newspapers and magazines is a luxury for the Guild so this was a very special gift.

... Phil Varricchio for hosting *Oktoberfest* at his home. He grabbed the reins for this event and handled all the planning and implementation, and we are all so glad he did! German food, Oompah music, Phil's special spaghetti sauce, and beer — a fun event for all.

... Chuck Berg and Debra Mills for hosting the *Simply Sinatra in September Martini Monday* at their home. Thanks to all of the volunteers who prepared the Italian feast and to Billie Cole of Deblanc Music and her talented young musicians for our poolside concert.

... Minji Park, flutist, who enchanted us with her performance of *Morceau de Concours* by Fauré and *Sonata Appassionata* by Karg-Elert at the September General Meeting.