Reflections on '08-'09

This season has been wonderful with outstanding performances and the highest patron support in years. Our first three concerts featured Dan Kamin and The Haunted Orchestra at the Children's Concert, Mundell Lowe and Jim Ferguson at the Holiday Concert, and Eric Street with "Rhapsody in Blue" at the Valentine's Day Concert. The final concert of the season featured Dr. Kai-Hui Tan with Mozart's Violin Concerto in A major, and the highlight of the evening was an unanticipated and truly outstanding solo rendition



of The Red Violin. Rarely have we heard such a rich and technically complex performance. It was a shame that an awesome storm with lightning and high tornadic winds resulting in trees down and the streets awash with water right before the concert kept some of the audience at home. Both the natural display outside and Dr. Tan's performance inside were equally breathtaking.

It has been a challenging year financially given the poor economy, but our supporters rose to the occasion. We are so very grateful for the generous contributions received this year. Thank you very much for attending the concerts and for your financial support. Our season's financial loss was kept to a bare minimum in spite of expensive program commitments which were locked into place prior to the economy's decline.

The Eastern Shore and Salisbury are blessed to have the Salisbury University Department of Music and the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra. Our music programs here are rich and rewarding. Thank you, dear supporters and enthusiastic symphony players, for making the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra so successful.

Peter Jackson • SSO Advisory Board Chair

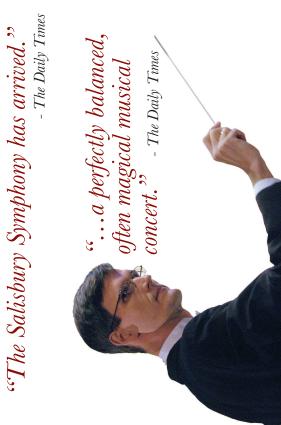
I'm excited to report that the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra has had another great season. Guest artists Dan Kamin, Mundell Lowe, Jim Ferguson, Eric Street and Kia-Hui Tan performed beautifully and added "sparkle" to our concerts. I would also like to mention that all of these artists taught master classes for students and community members during their stay in Salisbury.

The orchestra continues to improve artistically. Some of its best playing was heard in Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" in February and Mozart's Violin Concerto in A major in May. I look forward to the coming season and I am sincerely thankful for all of the wonderful community support for our community and university orchestra.











MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra is to bring live symphonic music to the Salisbury, MD, community; the broader Delmarva Peninsula; and the Salisbury University community. The Salisbury Symphony Orchestra serves as a valuable resource within the Department of Music at Salisbury University in attracting students, faculty, community players and professionals. The goal of the SSO is to provide a musical outlet to all musicians within a liberal arts university environment.

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October 25, 2008

Children's Concert

Featuring The Haunted Orchestra with Dan Kamin

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Winter Concert

Featuring Jazz Guitarist Mundell Lowe and Bassist Jim Ferguson Concert Sponsors:

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February 14, 2009

Valentine's Day Concert

Featuring Pianist Eric Street Performing George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" Concert Sponsor: John Proctor

May 9, 2009

Spring Concert

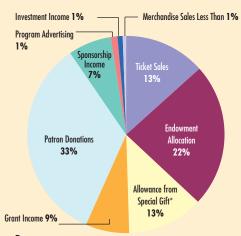
Featuring Violinist Dr. Kia-Hui Tan Performing Mozart's Violin Concerto in A major, K. 219 Concert Sponsors:

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REVENUE Year Ending June 30, 2009

Total Decrease in Attendance = 2%

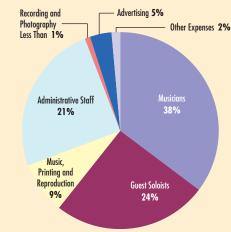
Attendance Figures



Total Revenue For the Year Ending

* Donated in 2008

EXPENSES Year Ending June 30, 2009



\$95,481.58

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS: 2008-2009

2008-2009 Concert Season Attendance Total = 2,320

2007-2008 Concert Season Attendance Total = 2,370

2006-2007 Concert Season Attendance Total = 2,200

Total Expenses For the Year Ending

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