

Our Orchestras

Three levels of orchestras designed for the student musician to grow through.

Conejo Valley Youth Strings

Directed by professional violist, Mrs. Karen Sanchez. This is our entry level program, but is not considered to be a beginner group. Designed to develop basics, such as technique, listening skills, following a conductor and learning to perform with an ensemble. One year of previous instruction is required.

Conejo Valley Youth Preparatory Orchestra

Directed by professional conductor and bassist, Mr. Bill Benson. This is our intermediate level group. Music with a higher degree of technical demands is selected and adds woodwinds, brass and percussion.

Conejo Valley Youth Orchestra

Directed by Mr. Bill Benson. This group is comprised of our most advanced musicians. They perform major, original scores by masters such as Bach, Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, Mahler and many others.

Other Ensembles

Brass Quintet and CVYO Virtuosi are also available to CVYO student musicians.

Presenting our 58th Concert Season

Sunday, October 28, 2018

"Symphonic Fantasy!"

Preparatory Orchestra

Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza

Scherr Forum

Two performances at 12 & 3pm

Children and Families concerts
free of charge

Sunday, January 27, 2019

All CVYO Orchestras and Ensembles
in concert

Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza

Fred Kavli Theatre, 3pm

Sunday, June 2, 2019

All CVYO Orchestras and Ensembles
in concert

Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza

Fred Kavli Theatre, 3pm

Tickets for performances in January and June
are available at rehearsals three weeks prior
to performances, through the
Theatre Box Office (civicartsplaza.com)
or at ticketmaster.com.

Additional performances and concerts
will be posted at cvyo.org

Conejo Valley Youth Orchestras

Inspiring Youth Through Music
Since 1961



2018/2019 Concert Season



Bill Benson-Artistic Director
Karen Sanchez-Associate Artistic Director



CVYO

Since 1961, the Conejo Valley Youth Orchestras have been dedicated to the study and performance of classical symphonic music. Founded by Betty Bowen at California Lutheran University, this award-winning program has grown to over 250 student musicians. Our program continues to develop and enhance the musical education of talented young musicians, giving them the opportunity to study with professional coaches and perform in the region's premier theatre, the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza. Many CVYO musicians go on to pursue careers as professional musicians and teachers.

SUPPORT CVYO!

***Contributions to CVYO
will support:***

Artistic Excellence

- *A program for student musicians to study and perform with professional coaches.*
- *The opportunity for student musicians to achieve and perform at their highest level.*

Community Involvement

- *Admission-free and affordable concerts for the community.*
- *Outreach to underserved populations through our Student Ambassadors Program.*

The Future of Classical Music

- *The study and performance of original classical literature.*
- *Partnerships with like-minded organizations.*

***There are many ways
to get involved!***

From volunteerism to sponsorships. Please go to cvyo.org/support CVYO to find an option that works for you!

**Sponsors receive complimentary concert tickets, recognition in our concert programs, advertising, thank-you plaques and more.*

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