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Upcoming Concerts in our 2012-2013 Season

Pops at Quail Creek

Sunday, April 21 3 PM

Madera Clubhouse
2055 E Quail Crossing
Green Valley

Larry Redhouse Trio at 1:45
(ticketed event)

Pops in the Park

Free Concert

Sunday, May 5 7 PM

+ Musical Instrument
Petting Zoo at 6 PM
DeMeester Outdoor
Performance Center
Reid Park, Tucson

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Dear Dorothy,

We are now busily preparing for our spring Pops concerts. Read about them below. Please encourage your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers to attend with you!

Pops Concerts!

Our Pops Concerts this year feature a number of pieces to celebrate Cinco de Mayo, as our **free** Reid Park concert will take place on May 5.

We are having great fun rehearsing Danzon No. 2 by Arturo Marquez, with its fiery Latin rhythms, dramatic changes in tempo and dynamics, and unrelenting drive. You can [hear a preview](#) of this piece, performed by the Simon Bolivar Youth Orchestra of Venezuela, conducted by Gustavo Dudamel.

Also featured at our Pops concerts will be performances by four winners of our 2013 Young Artists' Competition.

At Quail Creek:

(Sunday, April 21 at 3:00 pm, Larry Redhouse Trio at 1:45 pm)

- **Brady Lytle**, first place winner of the Senior Piano Division, will play the first movement of Grieg's Piano Concerto in a minor.
- **Carrissa Powe**, first place winner of the Junior String Division, will play the first movement of Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 4.

At Reid Park:

(Sunday, May 5 at 7:00 pm, Instrument Petting Zoo at 6:00 pm)

- **Kip Zimmerman**, the first place winner of the Senior Winds and Percussion Division, will play the first movement of the Oboe Concerto by Ralph Vaughan Williams.
- **Levi Powe**, second place winner in the Junior Strings Division, will play Hungarian Rhapsody (for cello) by David Popper.

In addition, we will play an overture by John Williams from the film "The Cowboys," a little waltz by Shostakovich, selections from "A Chorus Line" and lots of Mexican melodies, including Amparito Roca, Estrellita, and Cielito Lindo. For a complete list of pieces you'll enjoy, [visit our website](#).

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Thank you!



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"Pops at Quail Creek" is a ticketed event sponsored by the Quail Creek Activities Committee, chaired by COT violist Pat Thoresen. The COT thanks her for all her work to organize our 4th annual Pops concert there. Tickets are available for \$15 at the Quail Creek Concierge Desk and, after April 8, at the Green Valley~Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce, 275 W Continental Suite 123 in Green Valley. The concert begins at 3:00 pm, but be sure to come early to hear the Larry Redhouse Trio in the Copper Lounge at 1:45 pm! (Larry Redhouse plays trumpet in the COT.)

Help Wanted: General Manager

The COT is currently seeking a General Manager. Interim Co-Managers, Lisa and Dan Brown, have done a great this year job handling the daily operations of the COT. However, they have asked that the COT Board find a permanent replacement.

If you have...

- Organizational skills and attention to detail
- Writing and communication skills
- Computer skills
- Time-management skills
- Outstanding interpersonal skills
- Ability to multi-task
- Musical background preferred

...and are willing to work hard for very little pay (\$2,000 per year), please visit our [website](#) for more information and an application.

Application deadline is March 15, 2013.

Save the Date...

Donors who have contributed \$120 or more to the COT during this last year will be receiving an invitation to a special Donor Appreciation event. Last year, donors enjoyed live chamber music performed by COT musicians, conversations with our Music Director, and delicious food.

This year's Donor Appreciation event will be held on Sunday afternoon, April 14, at a private home. The invitation will include the time and location.

It's not too late to donate so you can attend! We hope you will consider adding to your contribution or making a new one so that you will be able to attend this lovely gathering with other friends of the COT.

Please mail your check to the Civic Orchestra of Tucson, PO Box 42764, Tucson, AZ 85733 or [donate online](#) on our secure website by March 31 to receive your invitation.

Thank you for your support!

"From the Top" Update

On February 17, the NPR radio program, **From the Top**, was taped in

front of a live audience at Centennial Hall in Tucson. I attended, and was amazed at the talented young musicians who performed and were interviewed by host Christopher O'Riley.

Two of the five young musicians were from Tucson. They were most impressive, as were all who performed.

- Elli Choi (age 11), violin, New York City ~ Debussy
- Cameron Williams (13), piano, Tucson ~ Prokofiev
- Daniel Kaler (15), cello, Illinois ~ Glazunov
- Augustus Woodrow-Tomizuka (17), guitar, Tucson ~ Giuliani
- Elmer Churampi (16), trumpet, Michigan ~ Gershwin

The interviews were just as interesting and impressive as their performances! We learned that **Elli**, who studies at the Juilliard Pre-College Division, has played Paganini atop the highest building in the world, a skyscraper in Dubai. **Cameron** scored very high on the "Geek Quiz" he was given, and was proud to do so. **Daniel** has been featured on "America's Got Talent." **Augustus** loves science as much as music and explained how he paints ants with colored nail polish to track individual movements as part of a research project at UA. **Elmer**, who is from Peru, got a chance to speak to his family via telephone during the interview.

If you did not attend this live taping, you can hear the radio broadcast on Sunday, March 31 at noon on KUAT (90.5 FM). You will also be able to listen to it on their website, www.fromthetop.org.

We look forward to seeing you at our Pops concerts in April and May.

With your help, we can continue to perform free classical concerts in the Tucson area for another 37 years. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely,

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