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Musical Instrument Petting Zoo

Saturday, March 15

[Tucson Festival of Books](#)

Red Activity Tent: U of AZ

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

"Musique Française" Free Concert

Saturday, March 15

[Crowder Hall](#), U of A,
1017 N Olive Rd, Tucson

Sunday, March 16

[Pima Community College](#)
West, Proscenium Theater

Pops Concerts

Sunday, April 27

Madera Clubhouse at Quail
Creek (Ticketed event
sponsored by Quail Creek)

Free Concert

Sunday, May 4 at 7 pm

Petting Zoo at 6 pm

Reid Park, Tucson

Dear Dorothy,

Our free March concerts are just around the corner, on March 15 and 16. Are they on your calendar? Read more about these and other events below. Plus, take our **Pop Quiz** about the composers featured in these concerts!

"Musique Française" coming soon!

Our next **free** concerts feature beautiful music by French composers.

Saturday, March 15 at 7:00 pm

Crowder Hall at the U of A School of Music

1017 N. Olive Rd. ~ [Directions](#)

Come to our Musical Instrument Petting Zoo from 10 am to 1 pm
at the Tucson Festival of Books!

Sunday, March 16 at 3:00 pm

Pima Community College West, Proscenium Theatre

2202 W. Anklan Rd. ~ [Directions](#)

On the program are:

Pelléas and Mélisande by Gabriel Fauré

Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra by Francis Poulenc
with pianists **Nicholas Zumbro** and **June Chow-Tyne**

Symphony in C by Georges Bizet



Nicholas Zumbro and **June Chow-Tyne** are the featured soloists in Poulenc's **Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra**.

What an exciting piece this is!
We are delighted to have these two distinguished pianists perform with us.



[Visit our website](#) for more details about all the pieces on this concert.

Concert details are subject to change.

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Pop Quiz!

How well do you know the composers featured in our March concerts?

Francis Poulenc

Gabriel Fauré

Georges Bizet

1. Put the composers in order from earliest birth year to most recent.
2. Which composer lived the longest?
3. Which composer was part of the group *Les Six*?
4. Which one(s) wrote operas?
5. Who was named Alexandre César Léopold at birth?

Answers are at the end of the newsletter!

Young Artists' Competition Winners!

We are pleased to announce the winners of our 30th Annual Young Artists' Competition (YAC), held on February 8. The competition was funded this year by our very successful January 21 Fundraiser event, sponsored in part by Glenda Grow: www.growtucson.com.

Senior Piano Division

1st Place: **Christian Hagedon**

Junior Piano Division

1st Place: **Hannah Lee**

2nd Place: **Jaelyn Simmons-Rolins**

Honorable Mention: **Clayton Cheung**

Senior Winds and Percussion Division

1st Place: **Kali Cornn** (marimba)

2nd Place (tie): **Reena Debray** (flute) and **Sumhith Veda Aradhyula** (flute)

Junior Winds and Percussion Division

2nd Place: **Carter Engel** (clarinet)

Senior Strings Division

1st Place (tie): **Carissa Powe** (violin) and **Nicole Scaggs** (violin)

2nd Place: **Jacob Jun Lee** (cello)

Honorable Mention: **Samuel Turner** (cello)

Junior Strings Division

1st Place: **Aliyah Powe** (violin)

2nd Place: **Claire Thai** (harp)

Honorable Mention: **Sophia Rightmer** (cello)

Music Director Herschel Kreloff has chosen five of these winners to perform their solos with the orchestra at our Pops concerts in April and May. Stay tuned for more details in upcoming newsletters!

Our Way to say "Thank You"

We truly appreciate your generous donations, which allow us to continue to present free concerts. To say **"Thank You"**, we would like to invite donors who have contributed \$120 or more to the COT during this last year



Do you have a car or other vehicle that you no longer use? Consider donating it to the Civic Orchestra.

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A Big Thank You to
Instrumental Music Center

for donating instruments and supplies to our Petting Zoo!

New to our Zoo is a brand-new 1/4-size double bass, donated by IMC.

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 6, 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 enjoy this lovely gathering and meet 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 20 so that you can receive your invitation.

Thank you for your support!

Answers to the Pop Quiz!

1. Put the composers in order from earliest birth year to most recent.
Bizet (1838-1875), **Fauré** (1845-1924), **Poulenc** (1899-1963)
2. Which composer lived the longest?
Fauré lived to age 79. Bizet only lived to 37. Poulenc lived to 64.
3. Which composer was part of the group *Les Six*?
Poulenc. *Les Six* was a group of French composers working in Montparnasse, on the left bank of the Seine, at the same time. The other five were Georges Auric, Louis Durey, Arthur Honneger, Darius Milhaud, and Germaine Tailleferre (the only female in the group).
4. Which one(s) wrote operas?
All of them wrote operas. **Bizet** wrote 15 operas and operettas, including *Carmen* and *The Pearl Fishers*. **Fauré** wrote two operas: *Pénélope*, based on the *Odyssey*, and *Prométhée*, based on the Greek myth of Prometheus. **Poulenc** wrote three operas, the most famous being *Dialogues of the Carmelites*.
5. Who was named Alexandre César Léopold at birth?
Bizet. Sixteen months later, he was baptized as Georges, as he was known for the rest of his life.

Thank you for your interest and support of the Civic Orchestra of Tucson. With your help, we can continue to perform free classical concerts in the Tucson area for another 38 years.

Sincerely,

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