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**Mark Your
Calendars for our
2011-2012 Season**

Fall Classical Concerts *Free*

Saturday, Nov 19
7:00
Sahuarita District
Auditorium
350 W. Sahuarita Road
Sahuarita, AZ

Sunday, Nov 20
7:00
Ascension Lutheran
Church
1220 W Magee Road
Tucson, AZ (Oro Valley)

**Holiday Pops
Concert *Free***
Monday, Dec 12

Dear Friend of the COT,

Our free Fall Concerts are just over six weeks away. We hope you have the dates marked on your calendar! See the highlights below and visit our [website](#) for additional information.

Musical Journeys ~ November 19 & 20

Our free classical concerts this fall will take place in Sahuarita and Oro Valley. The Musical Journeys will take you to France, Germany, Brazil, and Scotland (by way of a German composer).

We invite you to attend our Concert Preview, an informal talk about the pieces on the program by Dr. Herschel Kreloff, COT's Music Director.

When: Wednesday, November 16 at 3:00 pm

Where: Joyner-Green Valley Library, 601 N. La Canada Dr., Green Valley

For some notes about the pieces on our program, please visit the [Upcoming Concert](#) page of our website. [View our concert poster](#), designed by our multi-talented timpani soloist and COT graphic designer, Barbara Freischlad.

Piano Concerto #2 in G minor (first movement)

by Camille Saint-Saëns

with **Shantell Petty**, pianist

Senior Piano Division Winner of our 2011 Young Artists' Competition
(This will be performed only at the Sahuarita concert.)

Rienzi Overture by Richard Wagner

Concerto for Timpani and Strings by [Ney Rosauro](#)

with **Barbara Freischlad**, COT timpanist

Symphony No. 3 "Scottish" by Felix Mendelssohn

7:30
with student musicians
playing with the COT
Marana Middle School
11279 W. Grier Road
Marana, AZ

Nutcracker Ballet
Sunday, Dec 18

3:00
Performed by Dancing in
the Streets Arizona with
live orchestral music by
COT.
Fox Tucson Theatre
17 West Congress St.
Tucson, AZ
Tickets available from
DITSAZ.

**Spring Classical
Concerts Free**

Sat., March 10

7:00
Vail Theater of the Arts
10701 E. Mary Ann
Cleveland Way, Vail, AZ

Sunday, March 11

3:00
Crowder Hall
UA School of Music
1020 E. University Blvd.
Tucson, AZ

**Pops at Quail
Creek**

Sunday, April 29

3:00
Tickets: \$15 (available
nearer the concert date)
Crystal Ballroom at
Madera Clubhouse at
Quail Creek
Green Valley, AZ

Pops in the Park
Free

Sunday, May 6

7:00
DeMeester Outdoor
Performance Center
Reid Park, Tucson, AZ

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concerts in the
Tucson area for 36
more years!
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We look forward to seeing you at our concerts this fall.

Meet COT Timpanist, Barbara Freischlad

"When I tell people that I will be playing a timpani concerto with COT they usually ask, 'What's a timpani concerto?' When we think about big drums, we just don't usually think: beautiful melodies."

Barbara Freischlad has served as the Civic Orchestra of Tucson's Timpanist since 2008. She is delighted to bring the timpani to stage front for this performance of Ney Rosauro's Timpani Concerto.



As a child, Barbara learned to play guitar from her father. She played clarinet in the Orange Grove Rd. Jr. High School Band under the direction of Herschel Kreloff(!). She studied voice with Dr. Mary Frances Fest at Amphi High School, violin with Mr. Föhl, and piano with Lira Makarova. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Linguistics from the University of Arizona and taught English in Germany.

Then she discovered percussion. Barbara has been studying percussion with Homero Cerón, Principal Percussionist for the Tucson Symphony Orchestra, for seven years. Her musical journey has been enriched with courses in music theory, ear training, music history and literature, and piano taught by the excellent Music Department faculty at Pima Community College. Barbara has performed with almost every musical ensemble offered at PCC, including Choir, Concert Band, Orchestra, and the Jazz Improv Class.

Barbara has been a guest performer at the Pima College Student Art Gallery Opening, at the Pima College Alumni Association's Zoo Nights in Reid Park, and she played in the theater orchestra for the PCC Performing Arts presentation of Bernstein's musical "Wonderful Town." Barbara has also enjoyed performing with The Sonora Winds, The Tucson Flute Club, The Arizona Balalaika Orchestra, Christian Youth Theater's production of "Peter Pan" and The Tucson Concert Band. She is the Handbell Choir Director at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church.

Barbara is the coordinator of COT's Musical Instrument Petting Zoo. She finds it very rewarding to offer people (including children) the opportunity to try out playing a variety of orchestral instruments. Sometimes, placing the right instrument into someone's hands can be life-changing. Barbara is grateful to her friend and mentor Ben Buette for handing her the percussion mallets.

Jim Click Raffle Helps Local Non-Profits

You have probably seen Jim Click car ads on television and in the newspaper. What you may not know is how much he gives back to the community. Two COT Board Members met up with Jim Click last week when he announced the details of a raffle that will give up to a million dollars to local non-profit organizations.



To celebrate its 40 years in Tucson, the Jim Click Automotive Team is donating a **2012 Nissan LEAF SL**, the first mass-produced all-electric car. It is the featured prize in the raffle, and includes a charging station and installation. The lucky winner (must be age 21 or older) will be announced on April 27, 2012. [Read the details of the raffle.](#)

You can drive a Leaf for about 80-100 miles between charges. It takes about 4 hours to charge completely. This is the perfect car for Tucsonans!

Raffle tickets cost \$25 each or 5 for \$100. The amazing news is that the COT keeps 100% of the proceeds. All the money that we bring in from raffle ticket sales is ours to keep.

How and where to purchase raffle tickets:

- From any orchestra member (starting October 5)
- At one of our November, December, or March concerts
- At the Tucson Jewish Community Center (3800 E. River Rd.) before one of our Tuesday rehearsals. Come to the JCC between 6:45 and 7:00 pm and ask where the orchestra rehearses (or follow the sounds of musicians warming up!). You may wish to call first (730-3371) to make sure we are rehearsing that evening.
- If none of these options is possible, we may be able to bring the tickets to you (Tucson area only). Call 730-3371 to see if delivery can be arranged. (Unfortunately, it is illegal to mail raffle tickets.)

Please note that although all money that the COT receives from raffle ticket sales will support our free concerts and youth outreach programs, it is not considered a donation for your tax purposes, according to IRS regulations. Regardless of whether or not you win, you cannot deduct the cost of a raffle ticket, even if it benefits a non-profit.

Please consider purchasing one or more raffle tickets to help our orchestra and the environment. Chip in with friends and relatives to buy 5 tickets for \$100! We hope that one of our supporters wins the LEAF!

We are excited about our upcoming season and hope that you can come to one of our concerts in November.

With your support, we can continue to perform free classical music concerts throughout the Tucson area. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely,

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