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2013-2014

Free Concerts

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"Inspired by Shakespeare"

Saturday, October 12

CDO High School, 25 W Calle Concordia, Oro Valley

Sunday, October 13

Community Performance and Art Center, 1250 W Continental Rd, Green Valley

[Reserve your free tickets.](#)

"Gifts of Music"

Saturday, December 7

Leo Rich Theater, 260 S Church Avenue, Tucson

Sunday, December 8

Vistoso Community Church, 1200 E Rancho Vistoso Blvd, Oro Valley

"Musique Française"

Saturday, March 15

Crowder Hall, U of A, 1017 N Olive Rd, Tucson

Sunday, March 16

Pima Community College West, Proscenium Theater

Dear Dorothy,

The start of our concert season is approaching fast! Be sure to mark your calendar for October 12 or 13 to attend our first free concert. To gain audiences from different parts of the Greater Tucson area, we will be performing in both Oro Valley and Green Valley. See the times and venues at the left and read more about this exciting pair of concerts below.

Music "Inspired by Shakespeare"

Our free October concerts are filled with beautiful music, all inspired by Shakespearean plays and characters. For concert times and venues, see the information at the left or [on our website](#).

On the concert program are:

- **Overture to Midsummer Night's Dream** ~ Felix Mendelssohn
- **Love Scene from Romeo and Juliet** ~ Hector Berlioz
- **Overture to Merry Wives of Windsor** ~ Otto Nicolai
- **Music from the film, "Henry V"** ~ William Walton
- **Othello Concert Overture** ~ Antonin Dvořák

You will probably find some of these pieces quite familiar, while others may be new to you. [Read about these pieces on our website.](#)

As a special treat, we have invited actors to participate in these concerts.

The Oro Valley concert at CDO on Saturday, October 12 will feature the two wives in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," who will perform a short scene or two. They will have just completed several free performances of the play at Himmel Park. [Read this flier for more details.](#)

At the Green Valley concert on Sunday, October 13, two actors from the Shoestring Players, a local Green Valley troupe, will read several short passages from the plays. See the article below about obtaining tickets for this free concert.



Jennifer Armistead and
Natasha Conti

Tickets Needed for Free Green Valley Concert

Pops Concerts

Sunday, April 27

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

Sunday, May 4 at 7 pm

Petting Zoo at 6 pm

Reid Park, Tucson

Concert details are subject to change.

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Even though our concert in Green Valley is free, tickets are required. You can visit the website for the Community Performance and Art Center to select your seat. On the concert day, October 13, be sure to arrive and be seated at least 10 minutes before the concert starts at 3:00 pm.

If any seats are available just before the concert starts, people without tickets will be let in to take those seats.

[Click here to choose and reserve your seat.](#)

If you are not sure you will be able to attend, please do not reserve a seat, as seating is limited.

Attention Fry's Shoppers!

Fry's wants to support non-profit organizations in its communities. The COT is participating in its new Community Rewards Program. If you shop at Fry's Food Stores, you can register your V.I.P. card and choose to support the Civic Orchestra of Tucson. Four times a year, Fry's will donate \$500,000 to participating charities. The amount that each charity receives is based on the proportional amount that their supporters have spent.

Here's how to help us:

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5. Enter your Fry's V.I.P. card number and last name on the account, then click the Save button.
6. Enter your name and address and click the Save button.
7. Under "Find Your Organization" just type **Civic** and it will find us!
8. Click the radio button in front of **Civic Orchestra of Tucson**, click Save, and you're done!

I know that sounds like a lot of steps, but you can do it quickly. Fry's will want you to update your information every year.

The program begins today (September 1), so register your card now and start shopping!

And don't forget that on the first Wednesday of each month, **Senior Day**, Fry's offers customers 55 and older a 10% discount on everything they buy. Register for this program at the Customer Service desk with your Fry's VIP card and proof of age. So shop at Fry's this Wednesday, September 4, to save some money and help us!

Thank you for supporting the COT in this new way!

Meet the COT Board (Part II)

Here is a continuation of our "Meet the COT Board" article, which began last month. Our board members are a hard-working, dedicated group of people whose job is to keep our orchestra running smoothly and fiscally healthy. Here is an introduction to the rest of the board members, in their own words.

Sylvia Payne, Treasurer

I am starting my fifth year as a COT board member. Four years ago, I took on the task of being treasurer, which consists of paying all the bills and depositing all the donations. I have found this job interesting, because I see a side of the orchestra, the organization and daily running of the group that is so different from the outward side, the making of music, playing my instrument. I joined the orchestra in the 1990 concert season, playing cello. My mission, as a cellist, has been to be a contributing asset to the cello section and to the whole orchestra.

Tom Hageman

A retired teacher, I play principal clarinet with the COT. Having taught strings and conducted school orchestras for 39 years in the northwest suburbs of Chicago, I now divide my time between Chicago and Tucson. I also perform with Sonoran Chamber Ensemble, along with COT principal cellist Harriet Yount and pianist Pat Kaltenberger.

Mary Feldsien

New to the COT board, I play no instrument, but would like to in the future. I moved here 12 years ago from Chicago where I was a professional fund raiser for non-profit organizations, primarily in the social service field. Now retired, I live at The Highlands at Dove Mountain. My husband and Tom Hageman taught together in the same high school in the Chicago suburbs for 17 years. My husband and I moved to Arizona first and the Hagemans visited and decided to buy in the area as well. Tom Hageman sparked my interest in joining the Board to help with special events and fund raising.

Jim Hentz

I am the son of Jill Hentz, a founding member of the orchestra. As an Air Force family, we lived in many beautiful places around the globe. While my father was serving in Viet Nam, I joined the Marine Corps and flew helicopters for almost six years. Shortly after I left the Marines, I moved to Tucson to join up with the family. I went back to college at the U of A and opened an accounting office upon graduation. I am still practicing, almost 30 years later.

We welcome additional board members, especially members of the community. You don't need to play an instrument, just love classical music, support our mission, and want to help us continue presenting free concerts for another 38 years! Please send an e-mail to Dorothy Fitch ~ president@cotmusic.org ~ if you are interesting in joining our board.

With your help, we can continue to perform free classical concerts in the Tucson area for another 38 years. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Fitch
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