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Upcoming Events

2015-2016

Our 40th Season!

**Herschel Kreloff,
Music Director**

**All concerts are FREE
unless otherwise noted.**

OCTOBER CONCERTS

Sat., October 10 3pm

Christ Church United
Methodist, Tucson

Sun., October 11 3pm

CPAC, Green Valley

DECEMBER CONCERTS

Sat., December 5 5pm

Baboquivari High School
111 Main St., Sells, AZ

Dear Dorothy,

We recently asked our COT musicians what they were doing in 1975, the year the COT was founded. Just take a look at a few teasers below. (Details below on how to see all of them!)

Be sure to come to our October 10 and/or 11 concerts that launch our 40th season. We feature local musicians that you won't want to miss.

What were our members doing in 1975?

Just take a look at what some of our musicians were doing the year the COT was founded. They are sure to have some interesting stories to tell!

- I was driving a taxi in New York City.
- I wasn't born yet; my mother was 5 years old in 1975!
- I was a founding member of the COT.
- I was playing in an orchestra in Guadalajara, Mexico.
- I was teaching in a 2-room schoolhouse in rural British Columbia.
- I was music director in a correctional institution in Florida.
- I had already been playing for 18 years in the Tucson Symphony Orchestra.
- I was on the U.S.S. Enterprise off the coast of Vietnam.

To read all their stories, just wait a month. In the next newsletter, we'll include a link to all their memories on our website.

If you can't wait a month, just ask to receive our fall mailing (see below).

We'd love to learn what **you** were doing in 1975! Please send your story to me at president@cotmusic.org, or just reply to this email.

Free October Concerts coming soon

Come to both concerts to hear all the pieces, as the programs are slightly different at the two locations. Follow the links to read about our soloists.

SATURDAY, October 10 at 3:00 pm [Note the 3:00 pm start time.]

Sun., December 6 3pm
Vistoso Community
Church, Oro Valley

NUTCRACKER

Dancing in the Streets AZ

Sun., December 27 2pm
Temple of Music and Art
(Ticketed Event)

32nd Annual Young Artists' Competition **Saturday, January 30**

BENEFIT CONCERT *for our Young Artists' Competition*

Tues., February 2 7pm
The Highlands at Dove Mt.
(Ticketed Event)

SPRING CONCERT

Sat., March 12 7pm
with Guest Soloist,
Cellist Evan Drachman
Crowder Hall, U of A

POPS CONCERTS

Sunday, April 17 3pm
Madera Clubhouse at
Quail Creek
(Ticketed Event)

Sunday, May 1 7pm
"Pops in the Park"
Reid Park, Tucson

Concert and event details
are subject to change.

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area for 40 more years!
Thank you!

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Christ Church United Methodist, 655 N Craycroft Rd., Tucson
[Directions and map.](#)

- **The Cowboys Overture ~ John Williams**
- **Organ Concerto in G minor ~ Francis Poulenc** [Janet Tolman](#)
- **Symphony No. 3 ~ Pyotr Tchaikovsky**

SUNDAY, October 11 at 3:00 pm
Community Performance & Art Center (CPAC),
1250 W. Continental Rd., Green Valley
[Directions and map.](#)

Reserve your free seat here: [CPAC website](#). Unclaimed seats are
released 10 minutes before the concert starts, so arrive early! **

- **The Cowboys Overture ~ John Williams**
- **Scherzo Fantastique ~ Joseph Suk**
- **Reverie for Horn & Orchestra ~ A. Glazunov** [Bill Winkelman](#)
- **Symphony No. 3 ~ Pyotr Tchaikovsky**

** Even though both concerts are free, you'll need to reserve a seat to
attend our concert at CPAC in Green Valley. As of this moment, more
than 67% of the seats have been reserved. [Click to reserve your seat.](#)

SECRET TIP: Did you know that there are more seats available just in
front of the Tech Booth? Move your mouse to the right or left of those
words and click to see the seats available way in the back.

What was happening in 1975, Part 2

Sears Catalog offered a 4-function calculator for \$13.88.

The average ticket price for a movie was \$2.03.

Minimum wage was \$2.10.

A ticket to see Elvis Presley in Alabama cost \$5.

Pet rocks were all the rage.

and...

The Civic Orchestra of Tucson was founded!

Jim Click gives away a limited edition 2015 Ford Mustang, and you could win it!



As we mentioned last spring, the
Jim Click Automotive Team is
giving away a 50th Anniversary
Limited Edition Ford Mustang.
Non-profits from all around town
were given raffle tickets to sell.

All proceeds from raffle ticket
sales stay with the non-profit. Buy 1 ticket for \$25 and 5 tickets for \$100.
The drawing will be held on November 19, 2015. [Click to read more](#)
about the car and the raffle.

The estimated value of the car is \$46,995. However, if you win, it just
possibly might be worth a lot more. The last of the Limited Edition cars,
#1964, was [recently auctioned off in Las Vegas for \\$170,000!](#) Of course
we can't promise that this could happen to you. It was likely a very
unusual case, but fun to dream about, nonetheless.

We will be selling Mustang raffle tickets at both October concerts. Please



Please register your Fry's V.I.P card to support the COT!
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Consider donating a car you no longer use to the Civic Orchestra.
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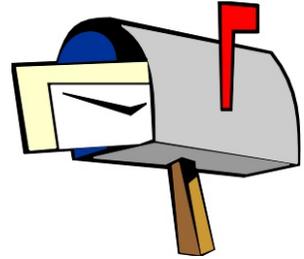


Purchases you make at Amazon.com can help the COT, too!
[Read more...](#)

see General Manager, **Bob Kovitz** at intermission or after the concert. You can pay by cash or credit card. If you can't attend the concert, give him a call at (520) 730-3371 and make arrangements to purchase your tickets. Note that raffle tickets cannot be sent through the US Mail. Even though all of the ticket proceeds directly benefit the COT, your purchase is not technically a donation, according to the IRS, as you are receiving something of benefit—a chance to win a nice car! We hope you win it!

Check your mailbox for our fall mailing

Our annual fall mailing is just about ready to head to the post office. Read your letter to learn what is new with the orchestra. Check out the Members' Memories of 1975, hinted at in the first story. Use the bookmark schedule of all our concerts as a reminder to mark your calendars. Fill out and return the donor form that explains the benefits of honoring a person or making a general contribution. We thank you in advance for your gift of any size. It truly makes a difference.



If you would like to receive this mailing, but aren't sure if you are on our list, just let me know. I can check the list and if you aren't on it, I would be happy to send you the packet. Just reply to this email or send a message to me at president@cotmusic.org. We promise not to share any of our mailing list with anyone else.

Daniel Pearl World Music Days



The COT is proud to be one of nearly 11,000 groups presenting music concerts in October to honor the memory of Daniel Pearl, a Wall Street Journal journalist who was

slain in Pakistan in 2002. In our concert program, we will include this dedication:

With these October concerts we join musicians and audiences around the globe in Daniel Pearl World Music Days. Music is a universal language that can bridge cultural differences and bring harmony to the world, which we celebrate with our performances.

Read more about Daniel Pearl World Music Days at its [website](#).

Time to re-enroll (or enroll) at Fry's!



As we mentioned last month, thank you to those who have enrolled your Fry's card in their Community Rewards program, which benefits the non-profit of your choice. Last year, we received nearly \$500 from Fry's, all because you signed up. It costs you nothing to enroll and to send donations our way.

Each year, Fry's asks participants to re-enroll, starting August 1. If you want to enroll for the first time, or re-enroll, learn how on our website.

[Click here to get all the details.](#)

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 40 years.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Fitch
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Civic Orchestra of Tucson
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