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Special Welcome to our New Members

Corregan Brown &
 Nhadyne Banton
 Sid Hetzler
 Carolyn Lettunich
 Plinio (Frank) & Linnelle
 Mazzucchi
 Erika Perz & Jusip Rajic
 Claire Simmons

Notes about Mozart:

Quotes on Mozart:

"Give Mozart a fairy tale and he creates without effort an immortal masterpiece." ~ Camille Saint-Saëns

"O Mozart, immortal Mozart, how many, how infinitely many inspiring suggestions of a finer, better life have you left in our souls!" ~ Franz Schubert, Diary, 1816

"Does it not seem as if Mozart's works become fresher and fresher the oftener we hear them?" ~ Robert Schumann

"The most tremendous genius raised Mozart above all masters, in all centuries and in all the arts." ~ Richard Wagner

Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta Annual Meeting and Picnic



Join your fellow Pro-Mozart Atlanta members for the Annual Meeting and Picnic Sunday, June 24, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bright Water Community Club House, 1420 Water Shine Way, Snellville, GA 30078. The event, which is hosted by Kevin and Sherry Pritchett, is a great opportunity to introduce your neighbors, friends and colleagues to this great organization.

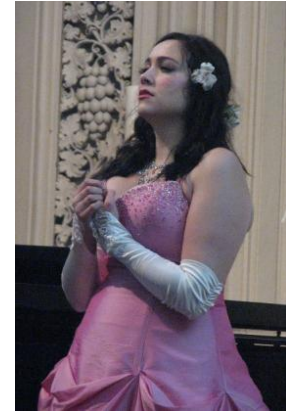
The casual event will feature food, fun, beverages and music by the Emory Youth String Quartet. The Quartet will perform works by Mozart, Mendelssohn, Beethoven and other composers. Members of the quartet are Krystal Lo, violin; Kate Marani, violin; Minjee Kim, viola; and Carter Chen, cello.

The annual meeting portion of the afternoon will be chaired by Pro-Mozart Atlanta President Herb Buffington.



The rain-or-shine alfresco event is free, though tax-deductible donations are welcomed. For information, call [678-488-3591](tel:678-488-3591) or e-mail info@mozartatlanta.com.

Pro-Mozart in Review



The Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta presented soprano, Jennifer Zuiff, winner of the 2011 Scholarship Competition at its April 15th concert. Jennifer gave a splendid performance.



On April 29th the Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta celebrated the arrival of spring with the Members and Friends Spring Fling Concert featuring Bassoonist, Geoffrey Barnes; Pianist, Edward Plott; Soprano, Mary Ann Hill; Organist, Herb Buffington; Organist, Randy Elkins . Ms. Hill sang from the balcony. As always, the "Spring Fling" concert was fantastic!

Notes on Mozart

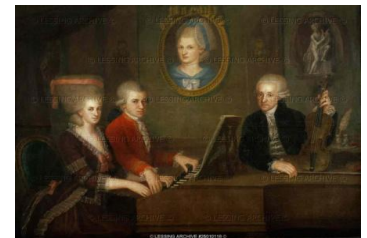


Taken from the book "Mozart's Women, His Family, His friends, His Music" by Jane Glover. Edited by Marilyn A. Dietrichs for Amadeus newsletter.

Around 1835, Constanze Weber Mozart's sisters, Aloysia, Sophie and Mozart's' sister, Nannerl, moved into an apartment together in Salzburg, all drawn by their intimate connection with Mozart's' life, his music as well as with each other. At a later date, only Sophia and Constanze settled together in a new lodging.

In Salzburg, in the center of the square, was a statue of Mozart erected and Constanze would be able to see it from her lodging. She and Mozart's' two sons became deeply involved in the setting up of the Mozarteum Music Conservatory. On the 50th Anniversary of Mozart's' death, the Mozarteum was founded in 1841 along with another monument erected of Mozart in 1842 at the very heart of Salzburg. But at this date, Constanze was not there, for she had died six months earlier on March 6, 1842. She was 80 years old.

As a closing note for both, Constanze said she thought Mozart's real cause of death was, quite simply, overwork, especially as he often composed through the night. Frequently, he composed until 2:00am and then rose again the same night at 4:00am to continue composing with only two hours sleep, night after night. Do we might wonder if he knew or felt he might pass on soon and felt compelled to write down all that he could to leave us his great legacy. We will never know.



A Message from Our President



Spring greetings to all of our members and friends,

First, let me offer heartfelt thanks to the talented musicians who performed at our Spring Fling Concert: Mary Ann Hill-Meehan, Edward Plott, Randy Elkins, and guest bassoonist Geoffrey Barnes.

Next, we're looking forward to the annual meeting and picnic to be hosted by past-president Kevin Pritchett and his wife Sherry on Sunday, June 24 at 4 p.m. The entire Pro-Mozart membership is invited to this fun event, and this is when the membership elects the 2012-2013 board. Thank you, Kevin and Sherry.

It is a fitting time to heartily thank our 2011-2012 board members: Kay Alvela, Shirley Ebert, Marilyn Dietrichs, Jane Echols, Randy Elkins, Jenny Ham, Claire Hanson, Mary Ann Hill-Meehan, Phyllis Miller, Kevin Pritchett, Carolyn Rich, Fay Selvage, Joy Simms, Rex Simms, Lance Solaroli and committee chairs Betty Arden, Ingrid Hanson and Gene Sanders. Thank you also to the dedicated and hard-working volunteers who work behind the scenes and to those out front at our meetings who greet members and guests. What a wonderful job all of our volunteers have done!

Looking ahead, we see that the 2012-2013 season will be an exciting one, including a President's reception in October, a concert in November, the Holiday Gala in December, the Patron's Party in January, a joint concert with the Atlanta Chapter of the American Guild of Organists in February, the annual scholarship competition finals in March, our 2012 Scholarship Competition winner (Benjamin Rollings, Pianist) in recital in April, the Spring Fling Concert in May and, the 2013 Annual Meeting and Picnic in June.

The season also was exciting because we welcomed so many new members! With the great events of last season just behind us and a full slate of wonderful programs ahead, please take this as an opportunity to introduce people you know to our wonderful Society. Bring them along and share the great times you have helped to create for The Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta!

I look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting and picnic on June 24!

Yours sincerely,

Herb Buffington
President

More Pro-Mozart in Review at Meet the Artist Reception



Dwayne Priest, Mary Ann Hill-Meehan, Past President and Sara Frooman



Members and Friends



Allen Hilborn, Claire Hanson, Exec. VP; Shirley Ebert, VP Finance
Phyllis Miller, Recording Secretary; Kay Alvelde, Past President



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