

About Us

Westchester Symphonic Winds, an adult community-based 60-piece wind and percussion ensemble, celebrates its 26th season as the area's premiere community band. Formerly known as the Hudson Valley Wind Symphony, we changed our name to better reflect our home, our membership, and our focus: Westchester County. We exist to promote music in our area, instill pride in our nation and heritage, provide opportunities for personal expression and growth within our membership, and nurture the love of music by offering an exceptional musical experience for people of all ages.

Over the years, we have given benefit concerts for many groups, including the Food Bank for Westchester, Student Assistance Services, Children's Brain Tumor Foundation, Irvington Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Rotary Club of Briarcliff Manor, Emergency Ecumenical Food Pantry, Family Services of Westchester, and others. The ensemble made its New York City debut at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall in 2010, and performed at the Association of Concert Bands National Convention in 2012. The organization is an Ensemble-in-Residence at the historic Tarrytown Music Hall in Tarrytown, New York, and rehearses there on Monday evenings from September through May.

Membership in the Westchester Symphonic Winds is available to all qualified musicians. Membership information can be obtained via email from the Personnel Manager, Claudia Mickelson (personnel@westchestersymphonicwinds.org), or by U.S. mail (Westchester Symphonic Winds, Box 485, 333 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains, NY 10605). You can also visit us online at: www.westchestersymphonicwinds.org, and via Facebook and Twitter.

Westchester Symphonic Winds, Inc. is a Section 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit organization. Contributions, financial assistance, and volunteers are essential and always welcomed.

Order tickets for individual concerts at Tarrytown Music Hall at: www.tarrytownmusichall.org or call 877-840-0457



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26th Anniversary
2013-2014 Season

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Curt Ebersole,
Conductor/Music Director

Twenty-Sixth Anniversary Season
Concerts at the
Tarrytown Music Hall

Sunday, November 10, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.
"Frolic and Whimsy"

Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
"Ideas, Images, and Textures"

Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.
"Hymns Sacred and Profane"

General Admission: \$20 – Seniors and Students: \$15
(Free admission for children under 10)

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Curt Ebersole, Conductor/Music Director

has served as Conductor/Music Director of the Westchester Symphonic Winds since 2008, where he occupies the John P. Paynter Memorial Conductor's Chair. He led the Westchester Symphonic Winds in their Lincoln Center debut in March 2010 at Avery Fisher Hall, and conducted the ensemble at their first national convention performance in April 2012, at the Association of Concert Bands Convention in Poughkeepsie, New York. He retired from Northern Valley Regional High School (Old Tappan, New Jersey) in 2013 after serving as Director of Instrumental Music for 31 years. He now serves as a member of the Music Department faculty at The Masters School, in Dobbs Ferry, New York. He promotes continuing education for conductors through the Wind Conducting Symposium he founded in 1987. He earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree and a Master of Music in Conducting degree from Northwestern University, where he studied conducting with John P. Paynter and clarinet with Larry Combs, and earned a Master of Fine Arts in Clarinet Performance from SUNY-Purchase, where he studied with Ben Armato. His achievements include solo and ensemble performances as clarinetist and basset hornist, guest conducting engagements across the country and South Korea, as well as multiple teaching awards.



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2013-2014 Concert Series Highlights

This season we feature three distinctively themed concerts, world-class guest conductors, and brilliant soloists!

Sunday, November 10, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

“Frolic and Whimsy”

*U.S. Veterans & Service Personnel admitted free of charge
in honor of Veterans Day!*

This concert will feature fun and amusing music for all ages! Our musical selections include a musical portrayal of a ghost train, a driving Latin dance, a new composition by Frank Gulino, a newly commissioned work by David Avshalomov, and one of Broadway's most beloved overtures!

Our guest conductor for this program is **Richard Guillen**, Director of Bands at Arlington High School, LaGrangeville, New York, conducting the passionate *Danzon No. 2* by Arturo Marquez. Our guest soloist is **Anthony Mazzocchi**, trombone, from Montclair State University, who will perform *Capriccio* by Frank Gulino.

Other selections include: Overture to *Funny Girl*, by Jules Styne, arranged by Barton Green; *Sheltering Sky*, by John Mackey; *Vignettes* by David Avshalomov; *Ghost Train*, by Eric Whitacre; and *Pineapple Poll*, by Arthur Sullivan.

Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

“Ideas, Images, and Textures”

Our Winter Concert celebrates compositions based on ideas, images, and textures. These musical gems include a salute to the 2014 Winter Olympics, a work based on one of America's most intriguing tourist attractions, a world-class trumpet concerto, and a mysterious set of variations.

Our guest conductor will be **Amy Wilcox**, from Northern Valley-Old Tappan High School, conducting *Passacaglia*, by Ben Hackett. Our guest soloist for this program is **MSgt. Bill Owens**, trumpet, of the West Point Band, who will perform the Trumpet Concerto by Alexander Artunian. Our assistant conductor, **Matt Kowalski**, will take the podium to conduct *American Elegy* by Frank Ticheli.

Other selections include: *Olympiada* by Samuel R. Hazo; *Enigma Variations* by Edward Elgar; *See Rock City*, by Brant Karrick; and *Castle Gap March*, by Clifton Williams.

Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

“Hymns Sacred and Profane”

Our final concert features passionate music for both sacred and profane celebrations. Our featured work is Carl Orff's epic *Carmina Burana* for combined band and chorus. Our guest soloists for this work will be Daniella Ashbahian, soprano, and Erich Tusch, baritone. And our guest choirs are the Northern Valley-Demarest High School Concert Choir, Leslie Mac Pherson, director; and Ars Musica, Dusty Francis, director.

Our guest conductor is **Dr. Shelley Axelson**, from Montclair State University, who will conduct *Profanation*, from Symphony No. 1, “Jeremiah,” by Leonard Bernstein.

Other selections include: *Fantasia in G*, by Johann Sebastian Bach; and *Angels in the Architecture*, by Frank Ticheli.

This project was made possible in part by the Arts Alive program of ArtsWestchester, with funding from the Decentralization Program of the New York State Council on the Arts.



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