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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PHILHARMONIC

Young Artists Showcase

**Saturday
April 18, 2015
3:00 PM**

Santa Ana High School
520 West Walnut Street
Santa Ana, CA 92701



Maestro **Branden Muresan** is a native of San Juan Capistrano, California, where he still resides and teaches. He began studying violin performance at age six, under the tutelage of Merillee Walker and Noumi Fischer. After earning his AA from Saddleback College, he went on to study at San Diego State University, where he was honored to be taken as a student by Igor and Vesna Gruppman, former students of Jascha Heifetz and David Oistrakh. At SDSU, he earned his Bachelors of Music Degree in Violin Performance, and in 2000 he graduated with a Master in Music with a major in Instrumental and Orchestral Conducting, under the instruction of Dr. Donald Barra.





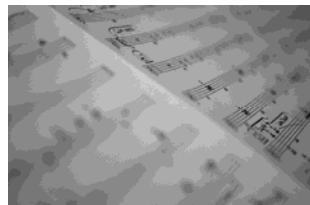
Branden began performing violin professionally at age 16, and has since become a well-known orchestral violinist from Baja California to Los Angeles. His most notable performances have been with the Irish Tenors, in Mexicali BC, at Luciano Pavarotti's last professional concert, and most recently on tour with Il Divo. Currently he is concertmaster for the Long Beach Ballet Orchestra.

Professor Muresan began teaching private violin at age 18, and many of those students have grown and pursued advanced music degrees at such prestigious colleges such as Longy Conservatory of Music, CalArts, UCSD, USD, UCLB, & University of Utah . In a college setting, Professor Muresan began teaching at Grossmont College in 2001, University of San Diego in 2003, Mira Costa College in 2009, and has since been honored to be an adjunct professor at his Alma Mater Saddleback College, where he still currently teaches.

As a conductor, Maestro Muresan began with founding and developing the East San Diego County Civic Youth Orchestra program in 2003, which is still running strong. After performing in several guest conducting spots, he was contacted to build and lead a new adult orchestra program in Poway, California, as well as the Four Seasons Youth Orchestra in Newport Beach. He also was interim conductor for the Saddleback College Orchestra during the 2011-2012 season. In 2009, Maestro Muresan was hired to conduct the Mira Costa Symphony Orchestra, and in 2012 he won the opportunity to conduct the Southern California Philharmonic Orchestra. These orchestras are thriving and growing under the direction and care of Maestro Muresan.

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Mrs. Joanna Velázquez Alpizar began her music studies at age seven on a violin from AAA Pawn Shop. Her desire to play the violin was born when she attended a Long Beach Symphony concert for children and she told herself "I want to play with them someday." Pursuing the dream, she received a Bachelor's of Music in Violin Performance and Music Education from the Cole Conservatory of Music at California State University, Long Beach. Currently, Joanna is the concert master of the Southern California Philharmonic, the co-founder/first violin of the Belmont String Quartet, and violinista in Mariachi Tesoro de Rebecca Gonzales. She has worked as the Principal 2nd Violin of Dana Point Symphony (2013 Season), substitute for Golden State Pops Orchestra, substitute for YMF Debut Orchestra, and performed solos with the Bellflower Symphony and the Cole Conservatory Collegium Musicum. Mrs. Alpizar is currently a private violin/viola instructor to over 30 students throughout Southern California, ranging from age 3 to 75. She has toured Spain, New York, Alaska, Ireland, Wales, England, Sydney, and South Korea sharing her passion for music. Though she has been to all of these wonderful places, Joanna is still quoted saying "There's no place like home. There's no place like Long Beach."

In addition to being a violinist, Joanna volunteered on the board of the Rose Park Neighborhood Association (2013-2014) and the Long Beach Heritage Advocacy Committee (2013-2014). She also enjoys being the "Roller Skating Historian" on the Sole Searching Long Beach project, one of six Real Wives of Long Beach, and participating in the monthly Cyclone Coaster vintage bicycle ride. Joanna was honored to be selected as a finalist in the Mrs. Long Beach pageant on Nov. 3, 2013.

Her love for music and Long Beach were combined when she decided to coordinate two benefit concerts in the spring of 2014. The Belmont String Quartet performed a Spring Benefit Concert in Historic Rose Park and raised funds for the Wilson High School Orchestra. Mrs. Alpizar's violin and viola students performed a recital at the Historic Bembridge House and raised funds for Long Beach historic landmark preservation. This year, Joanna is playing a recital to raise more funds for historic preservation and a student recital to benefit the music program at a local elementary school.

Program

In the Steppes of Central Asia

Aleksandr Borodin

Horn Concerto in E-Flat, K.417

Rondo

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Young Artist – Third Place Winner: Sarah Krueger

Viola Concerto No. 1

Allegro

Franz Anton Hoffmeister

Young Artist – Second Place Winner: Hanlin Chen

Clarinet Concerto No. 1, Op. 73

Allegro

Carl Maria Weber

Young Artist – First Place Winner: Tyler Baillie

10 Minute Intermission

Symphony No. 2

1 Andante Sostenuto
3 Scherzo

Pyotr Tchaikovsky

2 Andante Marziale
4 Finale



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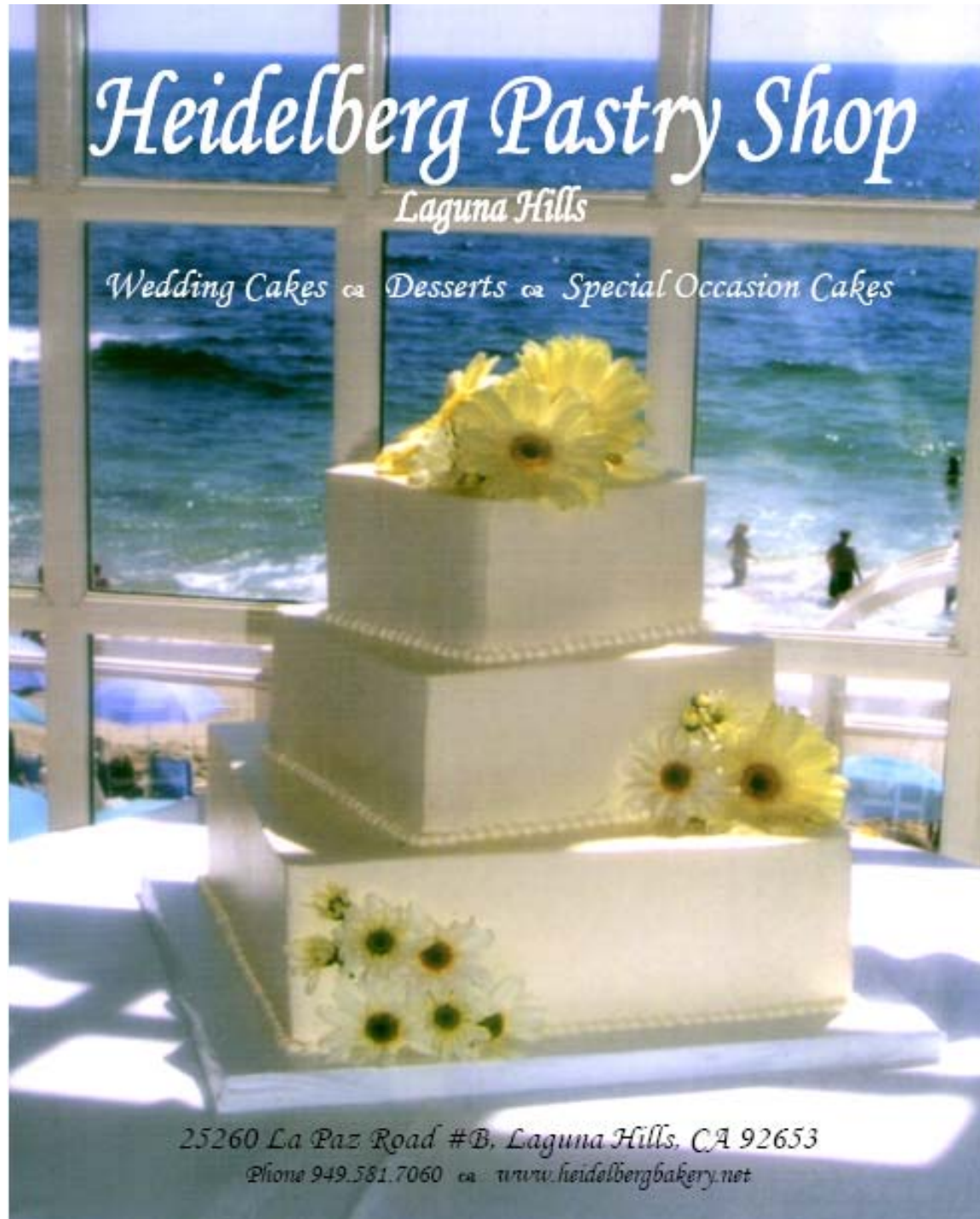
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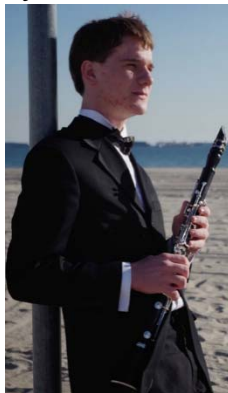
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Meet the Artists

Tyler Baillie



Tyler Baillie is a 17 year old clarinetist from Long Beach where he is currently in his third year of study at Long Beach Poly High. Starting in the fourth grade, Tyler quickly developed a passion for playing clarinet, vehemently pursuing all opportunities to make music. Orchestral playing being his preference, Tyler is currently the principal clarinetist of both the Colburn and South Coast Symphony Youth Orchestras, as well as his school's own Symphony Orchestra. Tyler's interest in music doesn't end there as he also marches baritone horn in Poly's Marching band, as well as playing trombone in Poly's top Jazz ensemble.

Hanlin Chen



Hanlin Chen is a sophomore and principal violist at University High School in Irvine, California. He began playing viola in fourth grade, as part of Irvine Unified School District's elementary music program. After a year, he started private lessons under Fang Ouyang. Hanlin participated in IUSD's district honor group every year since fifth grade, SCSBOA's All Southern Orchestra throughout middle school, and CODA's All State Orchestra for a year in high school. He is currently a member of Pacific

Symphony Youth Orchestra. Hanlin loves playing viola and hopes to keep music in his life, whether it's as a hobby or a profession

Sarah Krueger



Sarah Krueger has been playing French Horn for 9 years. She has freelanced and performed throughout the Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and LA County with various groups such as the Orange County Symphony, the Orange County Wind Symphony, the LaSierra University Orchestra, Symphony Irvine, and the Dana Point Symphony. She is a current member of True Brass Choir as well as the principal Horn of Symphonic Winds of the Pacific and the Corona Symphony. Having studied with Brendan McBrien, Rebecca Venlet, Derek Venlet, and Jerry

Garvin, she currently studies with Justin Hageman at California State University, Long Beach where she pursues a Bachelors of Music in Music Education and French Horn Performance. Aside from music, Sarah enjoys knitting and is an avid fan of cats.

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