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Dear Friends and Music Lovers,

As we approach the new year, all of us at the Yakima Symphony Orchestra extend our deep gratitude to you for stewarding live music in the Yakima Valley. Thank you for taking part in the rich legacy of symphonic music. We once again appeal for your support, with an exciting twist.

A group of the Symphony's most dedicated financial leaders, including *100% of the Board of Directors*, have come together to double your impact. **All gifts to the Yakima Symphony Orchestra before December 31 will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to $150,000. Support live music and music education in the Yakima Valley in our 2026 Year-End Match Challenge.**

This extraordinary challenge is made possible by our most dedicated community leaders and our Board of Directors to celebrate the start of our new season, and in anticipation for what's to come. In recent months, we've presented Beethoven's most iconic music—"da-da-da DUM"—, commemorated 250 years of American music, and brought world-class violinist **Rachel Barton Pine** to the Yakima Valley. Looking ahead, don't miss our annual **Holiday Pops Spectacular** concerts on December 5 and 6, featuring an African flare. In the new year, we will continue to commemorate Beethoven with his "Triple" Concerto, opera and theatrical selections, and the Ninth Symphony "Ode to Joy." In popular music, we'll wish **John Williams** a happy 95th birthday with a program of his unforgettable film scores, and celebrate the 50th anniversary of the release of **Star Wars: A New Hope** with a screening of the film with its soundtrack performed live.

These extraordinary concerts are possible here in the Yakima Valley because of more than 50 years of support from patrons like you. Your continued investment ensures the Symphony's financial strength and will steward these matchless experiences for years to come. Please consider making a gift that is meaningful to you and help us meet the **2026 Year-End Match Challenge.**

With Appreciation,

Patricia Dion, Development Chair
Yakima Symphony Orchestra

Sam McClung, Executive Director
Yakima Symphony Orchestra



# THE REACH OF YOUR SUPPORT

## MUSICIANS

Our musicians join us from across the state and country to enrich, educate, and inspire the Yakima Valley. Your support ensures the Symphony can maintain competitive wages.

**$10,000** supports one Principal musician for one season





## EDUCATION

We are invested in providing accessible live performance experiences to the youth of the greater Yakima Valley through our annual Student Concerts, and the Yakima Youth Symphony Orchestra program.

**$5,000** supports one student concert

## FEATURED ARTISTS

The Yakima Symphony Orchestra hosts world-class talent to perform alongside us. In the coming months, we will be joined by the ADEFUA African Music & Dance Company, pianist Narae Lee, incredible soloists from our orchestra including Principal Cellist Christopher Young, and more!

**$3,500** supports one featured artist





## YAKIMA SYMPHONY CHORUS

Under the leadership of Chorusmaster Steven S. Slusher, the volunteer Yakima Symphony Chorus has grown to over 100 members. Our Young Artist Program provides leadership opportunities for emerging vocal professionals in Central Washington.

**$2,000** supports one member of the Young Artist program

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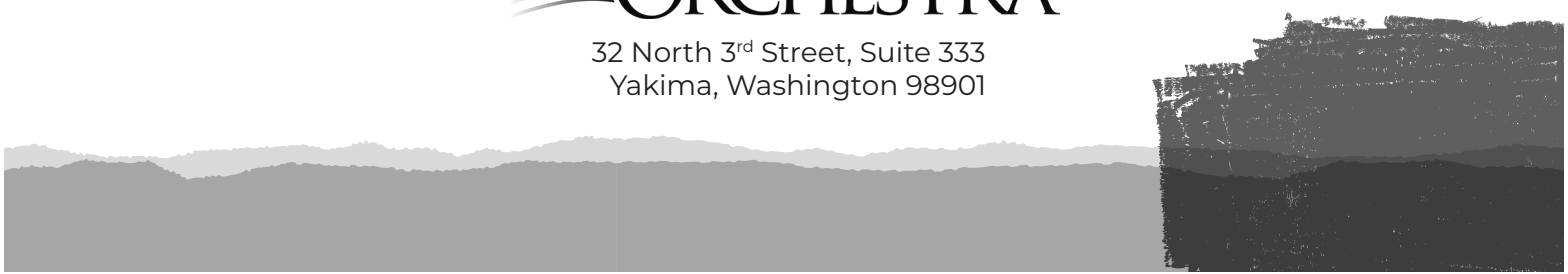
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