

The Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society designated 2013/2014 as, "YEAR OF THE YOUTH", a year in which we provided special opportunities for our young harpists, the future of our chapter and The American Harp Society. It is important that these young people have the opportunity to know and work with each other, experience the joy of learning together and share their enthusiasm for the harp with each other and their communities. While concentrating on the young, we also continued to provide opportunities for our adult members to socialize with each other, learn together and play music with each other. It was a busy year, but also a year of variety and excitement, a year of building the local harp community. Visit our website at <a href="https://www.siliconvalleyharp.org">www.siliconvalleyharp.org</a>, or on Facebook SCVAHS (Closed group) and Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society (Open Group).

We have a board of 14 which includes a liaison to "Harper's Hall" which is a local folk harp society and a liaison to the Bay Area Chapter of the AHS.

Our membership has grown to over 70.

This document will include all the chapter events for this fiscal year and will be divided into three sections.

- 1 YOUTH EVENTS
- 2 ADULT OPPORTUNITIES
- 3 OFFERINGS FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS TOGETHER

#### 1. Haiku for Harp at Hakone Gardens

Hakone Gardens are the oldest Japanese Garden in the Western hemisphere. Nine of our students played the Haikus from the "Haiku for Harp" book written by Susann McDonald and Linda Wood Rollo. Each Haiku was introduced, being read in Japanese by Reiko Fonda and in English by our member Bob Fonda. Both Susann and Linda were present and commented on each Haiku giving interesting information. The program was recorded on a CD which is available for purchase as a teaching tool for students for use with the book. A reception followed with over 135 people attending, many non- harpists. All enjoyed the ambiance of the gardens.



The Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society presents HAIKU FOR THE HARP by Susann McDonald and Linda Wood Rollo October 12, 2013 • 3:00 p.m. Hakone Gardens and Estate • Saratoga, California Program 屋根に寝る 主なし猫や 春の雨 (太祇) A stray cat Asleep on the roof In the spring rain. (Taigi) Katherine Healzer A flash of lightning! 稲妻に こぼるる音や 竹の露 (蕪村) The sound of dew Dripping down the bamboo. (Buson) Naomi Sun 夜神楽や 焚火の中へ ちる紅葉 (一茶) Sacred music at night; Into the bonfires Flutter the tinted leaves. (Issa) Sunny Wu 追はれては 月に隠るる 蛍かな (蓼太) Being chased, The firefly Hides in the moon. (Ryota) Sunny Wu 庭掃きて 雪を忘るる ほうきかな (芭蕉) Sweeping the garden, The snow is forgotten By the broom. (Basho) Anna Lorenz 蠅打に 花さく草も 折れけり (一茶) Striking the fly, I hit also A flowering plant. (Issa) Tiffany Wong



The sparrows Are playing hide and seek Among the tea flowers. (Issa)

The old pond; A frog jumps in, The sound of water. (Basho)

After the moon-viewing, My shadow walking home Along with me. (Sodo) 茶の花に 隠んぼする 雀哉 (一茶)

Elise Abramson

古池や 蛙飛び込む 水の音 (芭蕉)

Tiffany Jia

我をつれ 我かげ帰る 月見かな (素堂)

Lorraine Chiang

Even among insects, in this world, Some are good at singing, Some bad! (Issa)

世の中は 鳴虫さえも 上手下手 (一茶)

Sharon Macauley

Dance from one blade of grass To another, Pearls of dew! (Ransetsu)

This autumn night. (Buson)

Distant lights;

There they live

草の葉を 遊びありけよ 露の玉 (嵐雪)

Sunny Wu

住むかたの 秋の夜遠く 灯影かな (蕪村)

Tiffany Wong

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Special thanks to Bob and Reiko Fonda for reading the Haiku in English and Japanese, and thanks to Kayo and Kaori Otake for the Japanese translations. Very special thanks to Susann McDonald, Distinguished Professor of Music at Indiana University for flying to California to be part of this performance.



## 2. Family Art Day at Triton Museum.

On December 8th from 11:00am to1:00pm, six of the chapter students played for the Family Art Day at the Triton Art Museum in Santa Clara. It was a great experience for the students playing the harp in the midst of beautiful art.



# 3. The Angelic Youth Ensemble

The Angelic Youth Ensemble, directed by Kristal Barlaam, played Christmas music at The San Jose Museum of Art on December 7th.



#### 4. AHS Student Auditions.

The AHS student auditions were held on February 8 and March 16. Meredith Clark was the adjudicator and 17 students participated. The first session took place at the home of Sonya Yu and the second session/recital was held at the church of Maryknoll Seminary.





# The Silicon Valley Chapter of the AHS presents the following program as part of the AHS Music Education Awards

Session II, Student Education Sessions 1 PM, 3/16/2014

#### **Program**

**Hailey Tan** 

Glissando Waltz Susann McDonald

Ginger's Etude **Bonnie Goodrich** 

Emma Schuyler

Franz Gruber, arr. Wood Silent Night Dreaming

Susann McDonald

**Haley Park** 

Marcel Grandjany The See-Saw

Leap Frog Linda Wood

Lorra Meyer

**Bonnie Goodrich** Playing on the Lawn Gentle Lamb (from Animal Suite) Linda Wood

**Gurmehr Klair** 

The Juggler (from Carnival Suite) Susann McDonald and Linda Wood

> Susann McDonald Dreaming

Anna Sophia Goldstein

Trip to Spain **Bonnie Goodrich** Ludwig van Beethoven Ode to Joy

**Gabriella Limberis** 

Processional Linda Wood

Cornelius Gurlitt, arr. McDonald-Wood Le Garçon Courageux

Kartika Santoso

Dragonfly in the Sunshine Carl Reinecke

Seguidilla Carlos Salzedo

**Phoebe Lin** 

Nocturne Marcel Grandjany Rondo Marcel Grandjany

Naomi Sun

Ballade Susann McDonald

The Song of the Heart Henri Van Gael, arr. McDonald - Wood

**Tiffany Jia** 

Koto in the temple Susann McDonald and Linda Wood

Carl Reinecke Dragonfly in the Sunshine

Eileen Gao

Au Bord du Ruisseau Henriette Renié

> Ten Past Two Pearl Chertok

**Emily Twu** 

Automne Marcel Grandjany Scherzetto

Kiki Kang

Jacques Ibert

Prelude in C Major Sergei Prokofiev, ed. Salzedo

Lillian Ma

Theme and Variations

Valse Isabel

Van Veachton Rogers, ed. McDonald - Wood Francois-Joseph Naderman, arr. McDonald - Wood

Danielle Nam

Pastorale Marcel Grandjany

L'egyptienne Jean-Philippe Rameau, ed. Renié

David Lawrence Ren

Grand Study, In Imitation of the Mandoline

Elias Parish Alvars

#### 5. Silicon Valley Youth Ensemble

The Silicon Valley Youth Ensemble (Y.E.S.), a program sponsored by our chapter, was formed in January by Sonya Yu. The purpose of the YES program is to provide a systemic and comprehensive plan and sequential and practical goals to develop performance skills and focused musical studies. It is an educational program encouraging students to strive for collaboration and musical excellence.

Seven students meet regularly in two hour sessions. Their debut will be part of our annual "String Fever" ensemble concert on May 17th.

They will also seek out community service opportunities and have scheduled a performance at The Terraces of Los Gatos retirement residence and SNF on April 26th.



# 6. The 10th annual Arts Panorama, presented by the Silicon Valley Arts Coalition

. In addition to these youth programs, our chapter is a member of The Silicon Valley Arts Coalition.

Sharon Macauley, one of our youth, provided harp entertainment at their annual Arts Panorama held on January 24th at Le Petit Trianon.



#### 7. International Music Competition of the Chinese Music Teachers Association of Northern California

This year, for the first time, the Chinese Music Teachers Association has added harp to its competition. Our Chapter is co-sponsoring the competition. It will be held at Stanford and our chapter will provide judges and refreshments. Several of our young harpists are participating. This is an international event.



#### **ADULT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### 1. HARP LIVE

Our "Harp Live" program is a favorite. Several times a year we offer an informal time for our chapter members to meet in a home and play for each other. They may play any style of music and sometimes there are duets and additional instruments along with our usual solos. refreshments are offered. It is a great time to find out about new music and to share our love of harp. We had "Harp Live" on Sept 22, Nov. 27 and a joint one with the Bay Area Chapter on April 6 at a home in Moss Beach halfway between San Francisco and San Jose. "Harp Live" is always a fun time of fellowship.









#### **ADULT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### 2. Christmas Ensemble at the San Jose Museum of Art

On December 17th we played our annual Christmas ensemble program at the San Jose Museum of Art. This year we also had solo performers and harp duets. Nine harpists performed. The program was conducted by our President, Lynn Bailey. Ken Dinwiddie also played flute. The program provided background music for people at attending the museum. Over 200 people viewed the art during our performance. The music resounds throughout the museum. The program may be heard at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VGGAKsyASes">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VGGAKsyASes</a>



# Holiday Music Presented by

The Silicon Valley Chapter of The American Harp Society

Come hear beautiful music of the season. You will hear solo harp, harp duets, flute and harp and harp ensemble.



#### Schedule

5:00 - 5:20 Angellic Harp Ensemble (youth)

5:30 - 6:30 A variety of solos, duets and music by Wind and Strings flute and harp duo

6:30 - 7:45 Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society Ensemble

> San Jose Museum of Art Thursday, December 19th 5:00 pm - 7:45 pm



# THIRD THURSDAY: HOLIDAY MUSIC AND MORE THU, DEC 19, 5-8 PM

Pick up those last-minute gifts or just enjoy the galleries as holiday music fills the museum. Three hours of live music includes the Trace Elementary Choir (6–6:30 PM) and the Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society (youth ensemble 5–6 PM, adults 6:30–8 PM). Admission is just \$5 after 5 PM (free to members).

#### **ADULT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### 3. Pedals, Pipes and Strings - In Memory of Anne Adams

On January 26th at Trinity Cathedral, six of our harpists paired with 3 members of the American Guild of Organists for a lovely program of organ and harp titled, "Pedals, Pipes and Strings".

The program was well attended and may be viewed at

http://youtu.be/V2iSPYqM1yA

http://youtu.be/w9Dd7H-0zLc

http://youtu.be/N7zkciQoFUs

http://youtu.be/6dF-mhK6i2I



"Pedals, Pipes and Strings"

A program of Harp and Organ duets.



#### **ADULT OPPORTUNITIES**

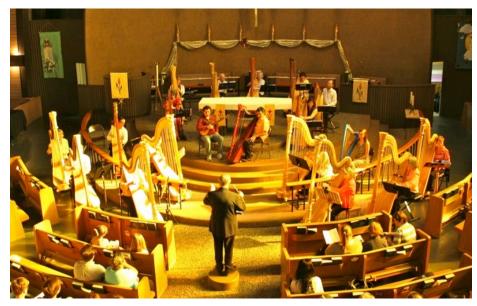
#### 4. May 17th String Fever

As our annual "String Fever" ensemble concert will take place on May 17, the following is a photo from a past concert, May 2012. The upcoming concert will be at the same venue Immanuel Lutheran church in San Jose and will have 17 participants from our chapter as well as members from "The Harpers Hall" folk harp society. We will also feature members of our newly formed youth ensemble Y.E.S.



The Silicon Valley Chapter
of the
American Harp Society
Presents the Fifth Annual

# String Fever



Seventeen harpists will perform in a full ensemble and in smaller ensemble groups. Our newly-forrmed youth ensemble will be featured in the middle of the program.

The repertoire features music composed by Brahms, Delibes, Handel, Joplin, Mozart, Puccini, Salzedo, Wood-Rollo and others.

Saturday, May 17 3:00 pm

**Immanuel Lutheran Church** 

1710 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose

Free parking available across Moorpark Avenue in the San Jose City College lot

Suggested donation: \$10 adults, \$5 youth

#### Please join us for a reception immediatly folloing the program

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Organists: Dr. Brian Swager, Rev. Dr. C. Lynn Bailey Conductors: Rev. Dr. C. Lynn Bailey, Dr. Brian Swager

Floutest: Aditi Mahajan

#### Members of the Silicon Valley Chapter Ensemble:

Martha Bailey Annamarie Bettisworth Robert Fonda
Gwen Halterman Liehwang Hwang Dan Levitan
Anna Levrary Mend Colorte Evers

Anna Lorenz Tamara Mead Celeste Everson Misfeldt
Mary Pless Debbi Ricks J. Alexandra Romanoff
Lynne Rovin Crystal Steinke Dr. Brian Swager
Linda Wood-Rollo Sonya Yu

#### Members of the YES Youth Ensemble:

Tiffany Jia Kiki Kang Haley Park Katie Santoso Sophia Shan Naomi Sun

**Emily Twu** 

#### About YES

The Youth Ensemble, directed by Sonya Yu, was established this year by the Silicon Valley Chapter to give young students a systematic and comprehensive plan to develop performance skill, technique, ear-training and sight reading skills and to provide performance opportunities in which students share their music with others.

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The Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society and Harpers Hall & Culinary Society would like to thank Immanuel Lutheran Church for the use of their beautiful facilities. The Silicon Valley Chapter of The American Harp Society

#### Presents

# String Fever!



May 17, 2014 3:00 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church San Jose, CA

#### Program

Water Music Movements 1 & 5 G.F. Handel arr. M.L. Williams

A Scott Joplin Montage Scott Joplin arr. Frank Voltz

Chanson dans la Nuit Carlos Salzedo

Mozart Symphony #40 arr. Josef Molnar/Tamara Mead

Wade in the Water arr. Cindy Horstman

#### Intermission

#### Youth Ensemble

Triptic Dance Pierre Beauchant, ed. Linda Rollo
Little Waltz Cheryl Joe Lee, arr. Sonya Yu
Angry Birds Theme Rovio arr. Sonya Yu
Two Guitars Linda Wood Rollo, arr. Sonya Yu

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Dona Nobis Pacem arr. Anne Sullivan

Cecilia Paul Simon arr. Phala Tracy

Delibes Flower Duet arr. Meinir Heulyn

Hungarian Dance #5 Johannes Brahms arr. Lynne Abbey-Lee

Tango Carlos Salzedo

Rumba Carlos Salzedo

The American Harp Society aims to promote and educate members and the general public about the harp and its music. The AHS encourages composition for the harp and aims to showcase the finest performers on the instrument in the world today.

#### 1. Annual Kick off event - "Like to Get to Know You"

Our annual kick-off event "Like to Get to Know You" was held at the home of Linda and David Rollo. This yearly event was a cookout. It is also our annual membership drive. This year we suggested that people clean out their music files including CDs and tapes and bring the items they would never use to the gathering. We had several tables of music and accessories which were available for free. Many went home with found treasures. Our guest performers were Verleen Schermer on Lever harp, Doninique Piana on pedal harp and her son who is a tenor, as well as several of Linda Rollo's students.



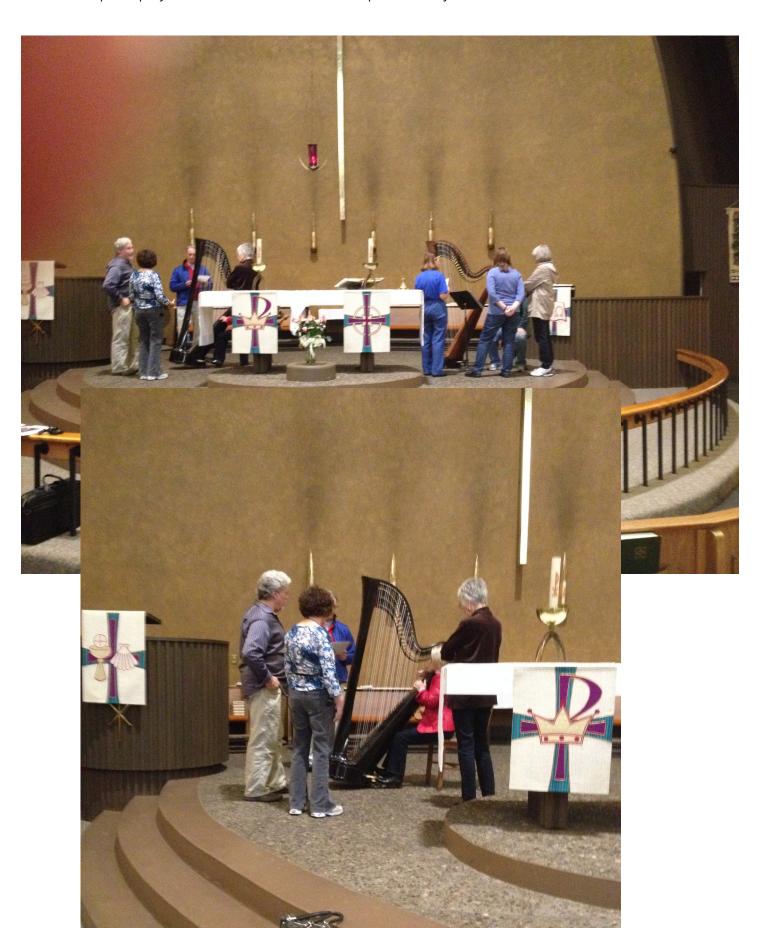






## 2. Heartland Harps

Heartland Harps displayed their new Carbon Fiber harps February 7th from 10:30 - 1:30 at Immanuel Lutheran



# 3. Harp Regulation with Mike Lewis

Mike Lewis was available in the choir room of Immanuel Lutheran Church on March 25th and 26th to regulate harps for our chapter members.

#### 4. Filoli Gardens

On May 7th, our chapter will provide music at Filoli Gardens for their annual fund raiser to support the upkeep of the gardens. This event takes place every Mother's day weekend and we have been providing harp music for several years. this year we will also invite our youth to play. It is a great opportunity to play in a stress free setting. Throughout the mansion there are flower arrangements submitted by the many garden organizations in the bay area.

#### 5. String Fever

Our Annual harp ensemble concert will take place on May 18th at Immanuel Lutheran Church in San Jose. This year as well as our chapter members it will include the youth harpists of Y.E.S. our new student ensemble group. This event is open to the public and will be followed by a reception.

#### 6. Summer Guest Concert Series

Liza Wallace, House Concert )June-Mid July)

Cindy Chen, Le Petit Trianon (July)

Noel Wan, Trinity Cathedral, Sunday, June 22, at 4:00 pm. This will be a benefit for the Beverly Hargis scholarship fund.

Cafe de la Harp June 20th

#### **OTHER CHAPTER ACTIVITIES**

In addition to these program offerings, we also have a detailed news letter which is sent by electronic mail four times a year.

We have a new website www.siliconvalleyharp.org and a Facebook page which are kept up-to-date.

Our scholarship fund was established in 2011 following the death of Linda Rollo's mother, Beverly Hargis. The chapter received several donations in Beverly's memory and the board approved a scholarship fund in which to place these donations. It is called the Silicon Valley Chapter of the AHS Scholarship fund. This year we gave scholarships to Nicole Robinson and Henry Macauley. Nicole Robinson used the money for expenses in the Ms. Elite United States of America Woman of Achievement Pageant (she played the harp as her talent in the competition). Henry Macauley used the money for expenses in the Chinese Music Teacher's CMTANC competition (he played in the harp part of the competition).

We have also begun a lending library of ensemble music purchased by our chapter for use of chapter members. The library is graciously housed at the home of Sonya Yu.