



Dear Symphony League Members,

Welcome to the 64<sup>th</sup> season of the Augusta Symphony League!

As we step into the 2025-2026 season, we're excited to continue building on the energy and success of last year. Thanks to your continued support, we were able to fund the Symphony videography program for the third year in a row—bring the joy of live music to those who couldn't attend in person. With over 2,000 views last season, this initiative has truly made a difference in our community. This year, we're thrilled to announce that the League will once again sponsor the videography program for all six Symphony Series concerts. We're also exploring the possibility of contributing to the 2026 Gala, depending on available funds. Your generosity and commitment make all of this possible—thank you!

We're also bringing back our popular **Sponsorship Program** for Social events. Whether you're a business, an individual, or a group of friends teaming up, sponsoring a Social is a great way to support the League and be recognized by fellow Symphony supporters. Sponsorships remain at \$500 per event, and sponsors will be acknowledged in invitations and during the event itself. If you're interested, just reach out for a Sponsorship Form.

This season's Socials will once again be held at the Augusta County Club's Summer House, and we're planning a lineup of engaging speakers and topics. While we won't be kicking off with a Prelude Party this year, we're looking forward to closing the season with a special **CODA Party** featuring a preview of the Symphony's upcoming season by Maestro Dirk Meyer—a highlight that was a big hit last year!

Mark your calendars for this season's Socials:

- **First Social** - Tuesday, October 21, 2025; Lounge; Speaker TBD
- **Second Social** – Tuesday, February 17, 2026; Summer House; Dr. Joel F. Scraper
  - Joel is a professor and director of choral activities at USC Aiken. He will share about how the choir will be involved in the performance of Mozart's "Requiem."
- **Third Social** – Tuesday, April 14, 2026; Summer House; Concertmaster Anastasia Petrunina
  - Anastasia will be the featured violinist on April 18, 2026, performing Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto. She will talk with us about the concerto and her role in the performance.
- **CODA Party** – Sunday, May 17, 2026; Summer House; Maestro Dirk Meyer
  - Dirk will present the program for the 2026-2027 season—our 72<sup>nd</sup>. The CODA Party is always fun and informative as we learn what pieces Dirk has chosen and why he has selected them.

Warm Regards,

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