



GROSSMONT COLLEGE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA & MASTER CHORALE

2023-2024
**PERFORMANCE
SEASON**

EVENT SCHEDULE

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



Welcome to the 2023 – 2024 performance season of the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra (GSO) & Master Chorale (GMC). **Reminiscence** is the theme of our performance season that will feature at least one work for each concert that I have enjoyed conducting several times during my time at Grossmont College. Starting my tenure back in 1986, the list of conducted works

is long and therefore, not an easy task to whittle down to one concert season. And in reminiscing on this list of great works, I thought of the large number of concert halls the musicians have performed these works in to include the *East County Performing Arts Center* (now *The Magnolia*), the *San Diego Civic Theatre*, the *Birch North Park Theatre*, the *California Center for the Arts, Escondido*; *Tijuana Cultural Center (CECUT)*, *Point Loma Nazarene University*, *San Diego State University's Smith Recital Hall*, *Mira Costa College Concert Hall*, *Patrick Henry High School's PHAME theatre*, *Balboa Park's Organ Pavilion*, *First United Methodist Church of San Diego*, *Santa Sophia Catholic Church*, *St. John of the Cross Catholic Church*, *Foothills United Methodist Church*, *Paradise Valley Seventh Day Adventist Church* . . . quite a long list of memorable performances. And for the past two years I can now include Grossmont College's own *Performing & Visual Arts Center (PVAC)* . . . a 390-seat concert hall that boasts outstanding acoustics with state-of-the-art sound equipment and ventilation using HEPA-8 technology.

Nine concert projects have been created presenting symphonic, choral, chamber, choral-orchestral and ballet music. And I'm excited once again to have San Diego Ballet as a partner in two of the concert projects . . . both projects utilizing PVAC's "acoustically balanced" orchestra pit.



In our efforts to support current and future students admission prices include: \$20 General, \$15 Senior/Military, and \$5 student.

Special Event Admission reflects two concert projects with *San Diego Ballet* to include: \$45 General, \$35 Senior/Military and \$5 Student.

To purchase tickets, please visit www.grossmont.edu/music or scan the QR Code here:



Please mark your calendars and visit the Grossmont College and Facebook websites:

www.grossmont.edu/music
www.facebook.com/GrossmontSymphony

It is my hope that you'll enjoy all of nine concert projects in our new concert hall. And thank you for helping spread the word that . . . **Grossmont is back!**

OUR MUSICAL FAMILY

As Director of Choral/Orchestral Activities at Grossmont College, Dr. Tweed has been conducting opera, symphony, and chorus throughout Southern and Baja California faculty since 1986.

Dr. Tweed has frequently appeared as guest conductor on concert music series throughout Southern California including the Cabrillo Chamber Orchestra, San Diego Ballet, Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theatre, United States International Orchestra, Spreckels Organ Society, and various church music concert series.

In the area of education Dr. Tweed has appeared as adjudicator for the California Music Teachers Association, the Music Educator's National Conference and has twice appeared as conductor for the Suzuki awards concerts. Dr. Tweed's performing experience is both in the areas of vocal and instrumental fields winning competitions sponsored by the La Jolla Civic University Orchestra and the Musical Merit Foundation of Greater San Diego.

Dr. Tweed earned the Doctorate in Musical Arts (D.M.A.) from the School of Music at Arizona State University, located in Tempe, Arizona. He has also completed two Master of Music degrees from the University of Southern California in addition to pursuing post-graduate study in Berlin, Germany (studying at the Berliner Kirchenmusikschule) where he was a recipient of a Konrad Adenauer Foundation Fellowship.



RANDALL TWEED, D.M.A.
MUSICAL DIRECTOR

OVER 100 PERFORMANCES



**DEREK CANNON
& MELONIE GRINNELL
CO-CHAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC**

Welcome to the Grossmont College Department of Music! Our faculty of local and nationally renowned performers, conductors, composers, and teachers, serve over 50 undergraduate music majors, in addition to serving the campus wide student body of approximately 13,000 students.

We would like to welcome you to what we believe to be the most exciting music program offering over 100 performances per year ranging from classical, orchestral, Afro-Cuban, and jazz.

The Grossmont College Music Department provides San Diego's East County with an abundance of opportunities for cultural enrichment. At the same time, the entering music major will find a comprehensive program to prepare them not just to transfer to a four-year institution, but to enter the professional musical community. If your interests are devoted to fostering a greater interest in understanding music for pleasure, the music department offers a wealth of courses to stimulate and serve.

For further information regarding the music major, performances by our outstanding music ensembles, or general interest in the department's more than fifty course offerings, please click on the links, or send me an e-mail. In addition, please take a moment to visit our department page on Facebook. Thank you for your interest in the Grossmont College Music Department!

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

The *Friends of Music* is an organization dedicated to the support of the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra (GSO), Grossmont Master Chorale (GMC), Grossmont Symphony String Quartet (GWSQ), and the Grossmont Symphony Woodwind Quintet (GSWQ). Elsewhere in this brochure you will find descriptions of our concert season, events, and community outreach.



NATASHA BOWMAN
FRIENDS OF MUSIC PRESIDENT

Membership in the *Friends of Music* is free, and we invite you to join us in our efforts to support the excellent musical offerings of Grossmont College. As a member, you will receive email notices of all upcoming concerts and events.

To become a member, season patron, or to make a tax-deductible donation, please fill out a contact form at any of our concerts, or call the Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges at 619-644-7109. And please support the *Friends of Music* via your social networking. Your participation makes a difference!

Appreciation

We thank our season's sponsors: The Maestro's Circle

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THE STRING OUTREACH PROGRAM



The String Outreach Program is an educational program supported by the Friends of Music to further string education in our East County public schools. Led by our professional artists/teachers in the Grossmont Symphony String Quintet (GSSQ), participating students, no matter their training, increase their ability to perform on their instruments.

With many East County schools providing music education only at the High School level, the String Outreach Program supports music instructors in providing much needed string pedagogy to young musicians. Additionally, since few instructors are proficient in string instruments, the members provide valuable instruction on how to better perform required orchestral literature for music festivals and school concerts. The success of the String Outreach Program has resulted in requests for additional workshops. Your support will enable us to fulfill these requests.

Each workshop performed by the members of the Grossmont Symphony String Quartet includes a short GSSQ performance, a string sectional rehearsal, and an ensemble rehearsal; all benefitting both student and instructor, with each workshop lasting 60-90 minutes.

Schools served include La Mesa Arts Academy, Valhalla High School, Mt. Miguel High School, Helix High School, Grossmont High School, Patrick Henry High School, West Hills High School, and San Diego School of Creative & Performing Arts.

Each workshop costs \$435.

We encourage you to make a special donation to support aspiring string musicians in our East County music programs.

THE ENSEMBLES



GROSSMONT SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA (GSO)

The GSO is a 60 member orchestral ensemble comprised of music and non-music majors, music teachers, and talented musicians from the community. The orchestra performs a large variety of concerts from serious classical arts performances to lighter pops entertainment. Local and nationally reputed performing artists are frequent soloists with the GSO. Membership to the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra is by audition only.

GROSSMONT MASTER CHORALE (GMC)

The Grossmont Master Chorale is a 30 member choral ensemble comprised of music and non-music majors, dedicated community singers, and music teachers.

The GMC performs throughout Greater San Diego in a variety of musical venues in addition to being a frequent performer with the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra. In addition to performing a wide variety of classical choral literature, the Grossmont Master Chorale performs a number of run-out concerts to local retirement communities featuring choral literature from Opera, Operetta, Musical Theatre, and Gilbert & Sullivan. Membership to the Grossmont Master Chorale is by audition only.

GROSSMONT SYMPHONY WOODWIND QUINTET (GSWQ)

The GSWQ is the resident wind quintet of the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra. In addition to performing educational concerts for our MUS110 classes (Great Music Listening), they serve San Diego's East County community through performances of chamber music at local venues. As principal members of the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra's woodwind section, they also assist the music director of the GSO in coaching members of its wind sections, while mentoring their inside stand partners in rehearsals/performances. Their varied performing repertoire includes chamber music suitable for serious chamber music concerts, to educational performances, to lighter music for social events.



GROSSMONT SYMPHONY STRING QUINTET (GSSQ)

The GSSQ is the resident string quintet of the Grossmont Symphony Orchestra. It's two-fold mission is to serve San Diego's East County community through performances of chamber music at local venues, in addition to performing educational concerts at Middle and Senior High Schools throughout San Diego's East County community.

CONCERT #1



Friday, September 29, 2023
Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Symphony Orchestra
featuring Audra Nagby, *soprano*;
women of the Grossmont Master
Chorale

Repertoire: Chabrier *Espana*,
Beethoven *Ah! Perfido*, Borodin
Symphony No. 2 in B minor

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student

CONCERT #2



Friday, October 27, 2023
Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Symphony Orchestra
featuring Michael Gaby, *oboist*

Repertoire: Smetana *The Moldau*,
R. Strauss *Oboe Concerto*,
Hanson *Symphony No. 2, Op. 30*
“*Romantic*”

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student

CONCERT #3

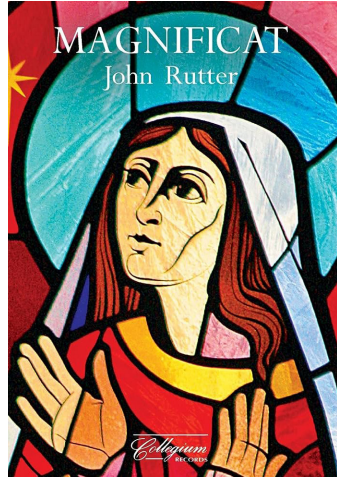
Friday, December 1, 2023

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

**Grossmont Symphony Orchestra
& Master Chorale**

Repertoire: Gossec *Premiere Suite de Noëls*, Rutter *Magnificat*, and more ...

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student



CONCERT #4: THE NUTCRACKER: REDUX

Wednesday & Thursday,
December 13 & 14, 2023

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

**Grossmont Symphony Orchestra
& Master Chorale**

featuring San Diego Ballet

Repertoire: Tchaikovsky's
The Nutcracker: Redux

Special Event Admission:
\$45 General, \$35 Senior/Military,
\$5 Student



CONCERT #5



Friday, March 1, 2024

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Symphony Orchestra

Repertoire: Berlioz *Symphonie Fantastique* with concerti featuring the orchestra's principal musicians

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student

CONCERT #6



Friday, April 12, 2024

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Symphony Orchestra

Repertoire: Glazunov *Violin Concerto*, Navarro *Clarinet Concerto No. 2*, Rodrigo/arr. Zabaleta *Concierto de Aranjuez* featuring Vanessa Fountain, *harpist*; Ondrej Lewit, *violinist*, Robert Barnhart, *clarinetist*

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student

CONCERT #7

Friday, April 26, 2024

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Chamber Music featuring the
Grossmont Symphony String
Quintet & Woodwind Quintet,
with Audra Nagby, *soprano*, Irina
Bendetsky, *pianist*

Repertoire: Works by Mozart,
Bishop, Bottesini, Ewazen, Kraft,
Sibelius, Plante

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student



CONCERT #8

**Thursday & Friday,
May 16 & 17, 2024**

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Symphony Orchestra
featuring San Diego Ballet,
Ondrej Lewit, *violinist*

Repertoire: Marquez *Danzón No. 2*,
Rimsky-Korsakov *Sheherazade*,
Piazzolla/arr. Desyatnikov *Las
Cuatro Estaciones Porteñas*

Special Event Admission:

\$45 General, \$35 Senior/Military,
\$5 Student



CONCERT #9



Friday, May 24, 2024

Performing & Visual Arts Center
7:30 PM

Grossmont Master Chorale
featuring Tasha Smith-Godinez,
harpist

Repertoire: New Music for Chorus

Admission: \$20 General,
\$15 Senior/Military, \$5 Student





DON'T FORGET TO STOP BY THE HYDE ART GALLERY!

The Hyde Art Gallery is located on the left side of the main lobby of Grossmont College's Performing & Visual Arts Center.

Entry is FREE and open to the public.

Open for walk-ins Monday through Thursday,
10AM - 4PM.

FALL

Thuy&: installations, videos & photographs by Anh-Thuy Nguyen

*main gallery space

October 12 – November 9, 2023

Reception: Thursday, October 12

4-7pm, artist walkthrough at 5pm that evening

Some Where We Know: A Student Curated Photography Exhibition

*window display

October 12 – November 9, 2023

Reception: Thursday, October 12

4-6pm

Fall 2023 Student Art Exhibition

*main gallery space & window display

November 29 – December 13, 2023

Reception: Tuesday, December 12

4-7pm, award ceremony will begin at 5pm that evening

SPRING

City & Sea: Solo Exhibition of Paintings and Prints by William Mosley

*main gallery space & window display

January 29 – February 29, 2024

Reception and artist talk: TBD

Trauma: a group exhibition of showcasing artists' illnesses and the trauma that illness caused with guest curators Ted Meyers and Annie Clafin

*main gallery space & window display

March 18 – April 18, 2024

Reception and artist panel discussion: TBD

Spring 2024 Student Art Exhibition

*main gallery space & window display

May 6 – May 23, 2024

Reception: Tuesday, May 14

4-7pm, award ceremony will begin at 5pm that evening

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