

MAY 2023



NAPA VALLEY YOUTH SYMPHONY

# FROM THE STAND

NEWS, EVENTS AND SPOTLIGHTS

20th Anniversary  
Celebration Concert



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Saturday, May 13, 2023

Performing Arts Center at the Napa Valley College

## MESSAGE FROM SILVIA

**WHAT AN INCREDIBLE SEASON!** Over the past ten months, the Napa Valley Youth Symphony has celebrated many milestones - including turning 20! In the coming season we will celebrate our 20th Anniversary making a difference in the musical experiences available to young musicians. In the meantime, we are closing out our season with a Celebration Concert that includes a farewell to our Seniors - 16 musicians from the Class of 2023! A wine and hors d'oeuvres reception will be held before our final concert. We invite you to JOIN US for this celebration. Tickets are available [HERE](#).

**LEARN HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUNG MUSICIANS GROW IN THE VALLEY.**

Napa Valley Youth Symphony Presents

# CELEBRATION CONCERT

*Celebrating 20-years of enriching music  
education in the Napa Valley!*



## RECEPTION

5PM

Lobby, Performing Arts Center at Napa Valley College

## CONCERT

6 PM

Main Stage, Performing Arts Center at Napa Valley College

**TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE**

## MARCH VAPA STUDENT OF THE MONTH WINNER

Napa Educators Recognize Arts Students for Excellence. March's Visual & Performing Arts The winner in the Band Award was Julian Damron, Silverado Middle School, 8th Grade and Sinfonia Trombonist.

Silverado Music Teacher, Brian Beggs writes - "Julian has been a valuable part of the Silverado Advanced Band this year.

.Read more [HERE](#).



## APRIL VAPA STUDENT OF THE MONTH WINNER

The winner in the category of Band & Orchestra Award coming for a tie is Nigel Quirk, American Canyon High School (ACHS) Senior and NVYS Bassist.

ACHS Music Teacher, Brendan Day writes - "Nigel is a talented and dedicated performer on the string bass, electric bass, and in percussion.

Read more [HERE](#).



# THEUNISSEN RECOGNIZED AS A NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST

Daniel Theunissen, a senior at Napa High School, has been recognized as a National Merit Finalist. Only about 15,000 out of 1 million people who took the PSAT last year received this award, said a news release.

Theunissen has maintained a 4.7 GPA throughout high school and is also an AP scholar with distinction. Theunissen said he achieved this honor “by studying hard and staying focused on my goals.”

In addition to his academic achievements, Theunissen has been a member of the Napa High School performing band all four years, being the horn section leader and concertmaster for the past two. He’s also been a member of the Napa Valley Youth Symphony for the past six years and been the principal horn player for the past three. He is going into his fourth season of varsity tennis.

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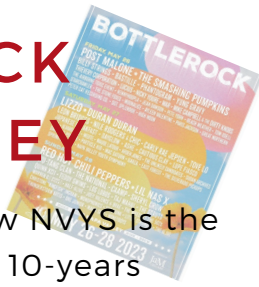
Theunissen said he plans on studying mechanical engineering where he will focus on “my longtime passion for creating better and more sustainable public transportation.”

Read more [HERE](#).



**JOIN OUR MAILING LIST!** Send us a note with your name to [orchestra@nvys.org](mailto:orchestra@nvys.org)

# BOTTLEROCK NAPA VALLEY



Fun Fact: Did you know NVYS is the only group to perform 10-years consecutively at BottleRock Napa Valley? Our Youth Symphony and Bridge ensembles are back in 2023 with pop-hits by Lizzo & Justin Timberlake!

**Make sure you catch us on stage on Saturday, May 27th at 12 PM.**



## NVYS LEADERS & MENTORS

We are seeking to integrate a cadre of current musicians to form our **NEW NVYS Leaders & Mentors Program** kicking off this Fall! If you would like to serve as a mentor to younger musicians, help us with Audition Workshops and School Presentations -complete our **NVYS LEADERS & MENTORS** Application **[HERE](#)**. (Open to incoming 8th-12th grade musicians.)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SATURDAY - MAY 13TH at 5PM,**  
Performing Arts Center at Napa Valley College

Celebrate our Seniors and 20th Anniversary during our Celebration Concert. Proceeds from this concert will support tuition and lesson scholarships for 2023/2024.

**5PM: Cocktail Reception**

**6PM: Concert and Seniors Tribute**

Tickets on sale **[HERE](#)**.

**SUNDAY - MAY 21st at 2PM,**

Napa Valley College's Performing Arts Center

NVYS joins the NVC Music Department's Chorale to present Fauré "Requiem." Tickets can be purchased **[HERE](#)**.



## EVENTS CONT...

**WEDNESDAY - MAY 24TH at 7PM**, NVUSD Auditorium

The NHS Instrumental Music invites you to their May Concert for Orchestra, Strings & Guitar. Tickets available [HERE](#).

**WEDNESDAY - MAY 24TH at 7PM**, ACHS Theater

The ACHS Instrumental Music Program invites you to their Spring Concert. Tickets available [HERE](#).

**THURSDAY - MAY 25TH at 7PM**, NVUSD Auditorium

The NHS Instrumental Music invites you to their May Concert for Concert Band, Jazz, Pep, Drumline & Colorguard. Tickets available [HERE](#).



**MONDAY - JULY 24TH at 9AM**, Jarvis Conservatory

Napa Youth Chamber Ensemble (NYCE) Director and Head Coach, Yasushi Ogura, will lead our Strings Chamber Camp Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28th. This is a great opportunity for Advanced Beginner to Advanced String Musicians. Registration is now open [HERE](#).



**SATURDAY - JULY 29TH at 7PM**, Jarvis Conservatory

Annual Concert showcasing the work and musicianship of talented strings musicians from our Summer Strings Chamber Camp in one of the most beautiful venues in the Valley. Purchase Your Tickets [HERE](#).

## FALL AUDITIONS

### FALL DATE TBD

Napa Valley College's Performing Arts Building

Come Play! Advanced beginners are welcomed to est and an audition to join our Sinfonia Ensemble. Advanced Intermediate musicians are welcomed to audition for our Youth Symphony. Please complete the **AUDITION REQUEST** Form to schedule your audition. New musicians are encouraged to audition for one of our ensembles and learn more about NVYS by attending an AUDITION WORKSHOP that will be held again in the Fall. .

Questions? Send them our way at orchestra@nvysso.org.

### **Give the Gift Music!**



## MASTERING MUSIC

### SUMMMER ENRICHMENT

Various Locations

Summer is a great time to keep playing! NVEF is offering several music classes for 5th-12th grade. You can learn more **HERE**.

## INVEST IN MUSIC

### Tuition and Lesson Scholarships

Help launch our 2023/2024 supporting our musicians!

A gift of any size helps us make this enriching experience available to talented musicians regardless of their families ability to pay. NVYS is committed to creating an organization that values diversity, equity and inclusion. We believe cost should never be a barrier to participation and offer scholarships each season.

Consider making a gift online today! **CLICK HERE** to start!

## NVYS STAFF

**Silvia Regalado-Zachlod**

Executive Director

**Alan Aníbal de Souza Ramos**

Artistic Director & Conductor

**Yasushi Ogura**

NYCE Director & Head Coach

**Debbie Walden**

Sinfonia Director

**Raja Orr**

Bridge Director



## WELCOME

### LIBRARIAN

Julian Cruz joins the NVYS team as our Librarian. With Julian's assistance, we are programming great music for our upcoming seasons! Please join us in WELCOMING Julian to NVYS!

## NVYS BOARD

**William Haubold**

President

**Dr. Abhijit Adhye**

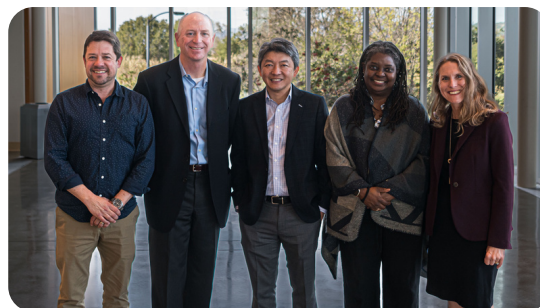
**James Bui**

**Walter Collins**

**Lauren Daley**

**Kim D. Hester Williams, Ph.D.**

**Kevin Morrisey**



## NVYS COACH LIST

We are updating our list of Music Instructors/Teachers. If you are interested in providing young musicians with lessons and/or joining our cadre of coaches for our ensembles, please complete the Music Instructor Interest Form [HERE](#).

### MAILING ADDRESS

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