

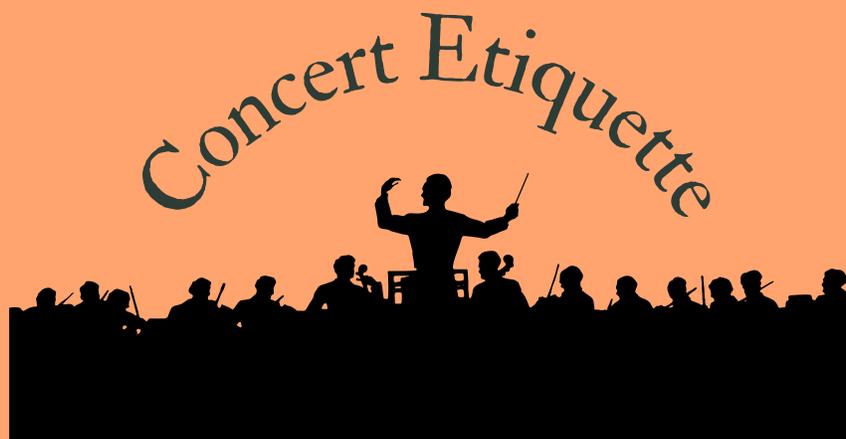
RIDGE POINT HIGH SCHOOL

# Spring Pops Concert

Program



May 12, 2025 , 7:00 PM  
RPHS Auditorium



The program tonight represents significant effort on the part of the students involved in the performance. A part of our TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) includes learning how to be an attentive and appreciative listener. Please help us to foster these traits in our students by thoughtfully observing the following guidelines:

- Place all cell phones and paging devices in the silent or off position.
- Keep small children with you and do not allow them to roam during the performance. If you think your child may make distracting noises, sit near the end of a row where you may inconspicuously step out to console them.
- Unless you are tending to a small child, please remain seated during the performance.
- Enter and exit the auditorium between pieces to avoid creating distractions for the performers and listeners.
- Enthusiastic applause is appropriate once the conductor's hands have been lowered at the end of a piece. Some works may have two or more separate movements (see program order).
- It is customary to applaud after the final movement of such works so as not to interrupt the intended flow of the composition.



# Philharmonic Orchestra

*Afterburn* - Brian Balmages

*Theme from Jurassic Park* - John Williams / arr. Longfield

*The Avengers* - Alan Silvestri / arr. Moore

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*Philharmonic Recognition Awards Presentation*

*Grade Level Recognitions*

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# Sinfonia Orchestra

*Besame Mucho* - Consuelo Velazquez / arr. Kazik

*The Incredibles (Main Theme)* - Michael Giacchino / arr. Moss

*Die With a Smile* - Stefani Germanotta / arr. Larosa

*Tico Tico* - Zequinha Abreu / arr. Kazik

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*Sinfonia Recognition Awards Presentation*

*Harmony in Excellence Scholarships*

*Ethan Perry Kindness Award Presentation*





# Student-Led Ensemble

*Libertango* - Astor Piazzolla / arr. Kazik



*Chamber Recognition Awards Presentation*

*Senior Letter & Cord Presentation*

*Senior Sonata Success Scholarship Awards*

*Presentation of Next Year's Officers*



# Chamber Orchestra

*Selections from Phantom of the Opera* - Andrew Lloyd Webber / arr. Moore

*"Kingdom Dance" from Tangled* - Alan Menken / arr. Longfield

*Aria Meeks, Violin Soloist*

*Music from Ratatouille* - Michael Giacchino / arr. Bulla





# PHILHARMONIC MUSICIANS

## VIOLIN

SOPHIA DIAZ  
HALYN DO  
CHARLY DUPONT  
ISIS GAINES  
AVIE GARCIA  
ANNIKA HAUGEN  
LEAH HORNE  
CAMILLE HUANG  
MARY LEEPER  
LAKSHANYA MAHESWARAN  
THADDEUS MALIT  
DUANE MCNEIL  
DAVID OLATUNBOSUN  
AMARISA ONOSODE  
CHINYERE OPARA  
VICTORIA PASCUA  
MAURILYNNE SANDERS  
JAYDEN THOMAS  
STEVE THOMAS  
DOMINIC VARKEY

## VIOLA

MICHAEL ANDRADE  
GEORGINA ECHEZONA  
ABIGAIL MATHEW  
SOPHIA MORALES  
ALLISON SHELLHAMER  
GABRIEL THOMAS  
MADELINE WALSH  
LUCAS YANG

## BASS

ASHLYNN ELLIS  
IAN GRAY  
SEBASTIAN ROBINSON  
WILLIAM SWANSON  
COLTON ZVONEK

## HARP

ISABELLA CERON  
MARISSA MONTEIRO  
RAYA WILLIAMS

## CELLO

BRIANA CARRERA  
GLENFORD DIXON  
RHYLEE MANNERS  
ARIANNA SMITH  
RELANI WILLIAMS





# SINFONIA MUSICIANS

## VIOLIN

ASEEL ALAQRABAWI  
JOHN ANTIMANO  
WALTER ARBALLES  
SHAINA D SOUZA  
COSETTE ECHEMENDIA  
SERENITY GLAZE  
MARGUERITE MCDONALD  
MIA MOHTASHAMI  
EPHRAIM POON  
AVERY RENNY  
NATALIE FAY RIGGINS  
JULIETA RIVERA  
AUGUSTINE ROBINSON  
SARAH RUIZ  
ISABELLE THOMAS

## VIOLA

AVA BANKS  
MAYA CHACKO  
OLUWATAMILORE (TAMI) FALEYE  
DEREK LEONARD  
JALEN RAMOS  
JOYA SNOBIN  
BEAZA SOLOMON

## CELLO

OLUWABUSAYOMI ADESOBA  
ALONZO MIGUEL GUERRERO  
REINA ISHIHAMA  
VIVIENNE MALOLES

## BASS

CORINNE COLLINS  
ISAAC PHILIP





# STUDENT-LED ENSEMBLE

Conducted by Ryan Webster

## VIOLIN

WALTER ARBALLES  
KAITLIN ESQUIVEL  
AIDEN LUETH  
ARIA MEEKS  
NIKI SU  
KARINA WANG

## CELLO

NICOLAS AQUINO  
ENOCH POON  
ISABELLA FONG

## BASS

JACKSON DAVIS

## VIOLA

JUNARD CHUA  
DALTON GUION  
JASMINE PEREZ

## PIANO

WILSON EAGER

## PERCUSSION

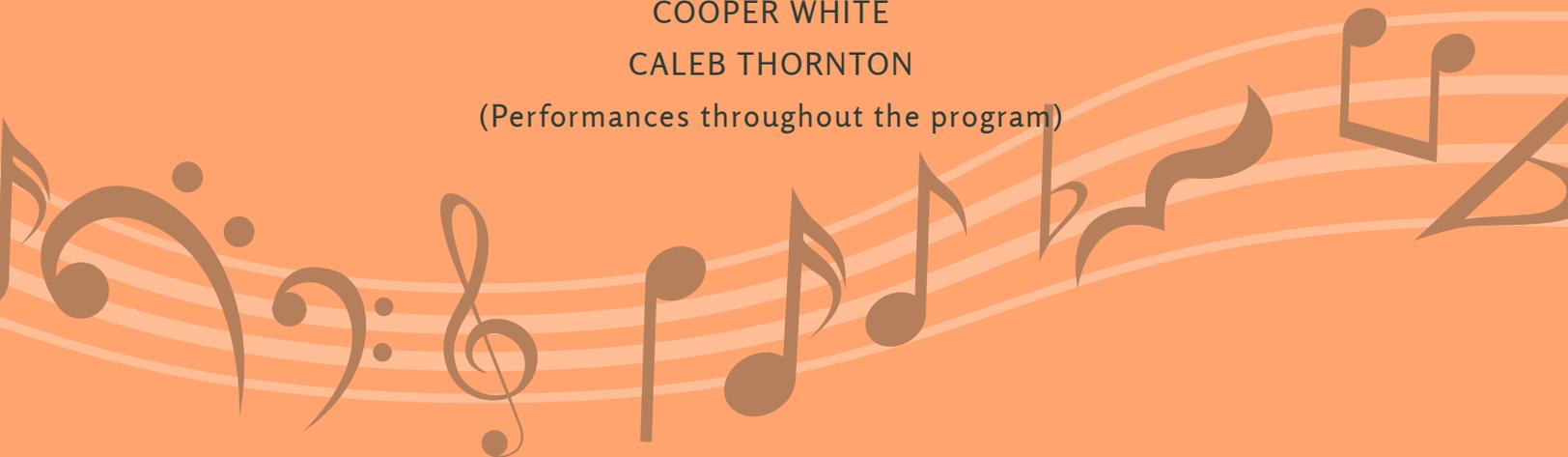
CALLEIGH RUBEN  
EPHRAIM SOLORIO



## ADDITIONAL PERCUSSION

GABRIEL SUMROW  
COOPER WHITE  
CALEB THORNTON

(Performances throughout the program)





# CHAMBER MUSICIANS

## VIOLIN

ADDISON BARRIGA  
GISELLA CINA  
SAMUEL ELOWITZ  
KAITLIN ESQUIVEL  
AIDEN LUETH  
ARIA MEEKS  
ARIEL LEIGH RIGGINS  
PRANAV SRIRAM  
NIKI SU  
KARINA WANG  
HENRY YIP

## VIOLA

JUNARD-DARREN CHUA  
DALTON GUION  
ABIGAIL KARITHARA  
THY LE  
KENDALL MERKEL  
JASMINE PEREZ  
ALLISON VU

## CELLO

NICOLAS AQUINO  
WILSON EAGAR  
ISABELLE FONG  
ENOCH POON  
YOUSEF RABAA  
ANNA RODRIGUEZ  
ABIGAIL SIBHATU  
YOHANA SIBHATU

## BASS

JACKSON DAVIS  
BENNETT MOHTASHAMI  
ELISE O'NEILL  
RYAN WEBSTER



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIORS!

NICOLAS AQUINO  
WALTER ARBALLES  
JUNARD-DARREN CHUA  
IAN GRAY  
DALTON GUION  
LAKSHANYA MAHERWARAN

DUANE MCNEIL  
ELISE O'NEILL  
JASMINE PEREZ  
ENOCH POON  
YOUSEF RABAA  
JULIETA RIVERA

AUGUSTINE ROBINSON  
ABIGAIL SIBHATU  
ARIANNA SMITH  
ALLISON VU  
RYAN WEBSTER  
HENRY YIP



# DIRECTOR

## DR. SHAUN HILLEN

Dr. Hillen is in his twenty-fourth year as a music educator, having taught at every level of development from pre-kindergarten through university undergraduate. He holds a bachelor's degree in music education from The University of Texas at Austin, a master's degree in music education and a Ph.D. in musicology from Arizona State University.

During his thirteen years in Texas public schools, he taught strings in the Conroe and Katy Independent school districts. He was an assistant director for the Beckendorff Junior High full orchestra in Katy which performed at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago (2011) and at the Texas Music Educators Association Convention in San Antonio as the Texas Honor Full Orchestra.

At Arizona State he taught the undergraduate string methods lab, conducted the university string ensemble, supervised several teacher candidates during their student teaching field experience, and co-presented a session on teaching strings at the Arizona Music Educators Association Convention (2015). He also taught courses in music history and culture and conducted research in Russia before completing a dissertation on nationalism in contemporary Russian opera and popular music. He has presented his work at the American Musicological Society and Society for Music Theory Conference (2020) and at the University of Rochester in New York (2022).

Dr. Hillen has been on the faculty of Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas since fall 2022, teaching courses in music history and world musical culture.

He lives in Houston with his wife, Jennifer, (also a high school orchestra director) and their frisbee-crazy dog, Phoebe. They enjoy exploring and cooking plant-based cuisine from all over the world, occasional salsa dancing, and escaping to the mountains each year for hiking, camping, and snow skiing.



  
**ETHAN PERRY**  
**KINDNESS AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP**

*In Loving Memory of Ethan Perry (2008–2021)*

Ethan Perry was a kind, thoughtful, friendly, and courageous young man who played the violin in the Baines Middle School orchestra and brought warmth and compassion to everyone around him. In 2021, after an eight-month battle with T-cell lymphoblastic lymphoma, Ethan passed away at the age of 12—but his legacy of kindness lives on.

This award is presented each year to a graduating senior at Ridge Point High School who reflects the same spirit Ethan shared so freely—someone who leads with empathy, lifts others up, and makes a difference through simple, genuine acts of kindness.

To the Class of 2025: as you step into the next chapter of your lives, may you carry forward Ethan’s legacy—proving that even the smallest acts of kindness can echo far beyond today.

The award and scholarship were created by Ethan’s orchestra teacher at Baines and is supported by the Ridge Point Orchestra Booster Club and Ethan’s family through their nonprofit, Ethan’s Ohana. To learn more visit [ethansohana.org](http://ethansohana.org) or follow them on social media.





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***RPHS ADMINISTRATORS***

***RPHS THEATER DEPARTMENT***

***ORCHESTRA FRIENDS & FAMILIES***

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