

The CYS Orchestras 2013-2014

Level I - Repertory Orchestra, (RO), conducted by *Ginger Greer*, **GINGER** is a violinist and conductor from Greenville, South Carolina. She is a National Board Certified Instrumental Music teacher and teaches at Eastside High school and Riverside Middle as the Orchestra Director. *The Repertory Orchestra*, is the beginning level of the CYS orchestras. Rep Orchestra contains wind, strings, and percussion players who are learning transpositional skills and ensemble playing techniques. The large body of original music and arrangements of the standard orchestral repertory provides the core music for this group. Rep Orchestra members also have opportunities throughout the year to participate in Level III sectionals, ensembles, and in some cases, performances.
RO (rehearses 1:45-3:15PM) tuition required

Level II – Concert Orchestra, (CO), conducted by James Kilgus, A teacher in the Greenville County School District for 20 years, Mr. Kilgus currently serves as Co-Director of Bands at Mauldin Middle School, one of the largest and most successful band programs in the state of South Carolina. The CO is the intermediate level of the CYS orchestras. Concert Orchestra contains wind, strings and percussion players who are more advanced than the Repertory Orchestra members in their transpositional and sight reading skills. Standard orchestral repertory is the core music for this group. Sectional opportunities and ensemble performances are offered to this group more frequently than the Repertory orchestra. **CO (rehearses 2:30-5:00PM) tuition required**

Level III - Symphony Orchestra (SO) conducted by Dr. Les Hicken, has been in existence for 56 years. CYS exists to provide experience and instruction to advanced young musicians who perform the standard orchestral repertory, usually in original editions. Wind players are often required to transpose at sight, and additional clef reading is a requirement for most members. Advanced members of the Symphony Orchestra are chosen by the Director to participate in a *Chamber Orchestra and Wind Ensemble*, which performs in conjunction with the SO in formal concerts throughout the year. Sectional coaching is provided to both orchestras. In addition to advanced sight-reading abilities for the SO orchestra; SO, CO and Repertory Orchestra members are expected to continue private instruction and to develop a solo repertory. The Symphony orchestra also has had Brass, Wind, String and Percussion Ensembles, which on occasion, utilize members from the Rep Orchestra and Concert orchestras. The SO brings together the finest young musicians in the area to rehearse and perform under inspiring leadership in a professional environment. In March 2013 the Symphony Orchestra will return to Carnegie Hall for a fifth performance, an unprecedented honor. **(SO rehearses from 1:45-4:30PM) tuition required.**