We are approaching the conclusion of another terrific season of music making with the Carolina Youth Symphony. This academic year, we had the opportunity to present another magical concert at the Peace Center in downtown Greenville and we followed this with an exciting concert in March featuring our Concerto Contest winners.

We would like to invite you to our grand finale concert, which is set for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10, 2015 at 5:00 pm in Furman’s beautiful McAlister Auditorium. At this performance, we will honor our talented senior class. The concert will open with a performance of Franz von Suppe’s Poet and Peasant Overture. Our soloists for the Senior Honors Concert are four distinguished members from our orchestra. Our Concertmaster, violinist April Chen, will perform the first movement of Camille Saint-Saens’ Violin Concerto No. 3 in B minor. Principal trombonist Kyle Peck will present the first movement of Ferdinand David’s Trombone Concerto No. 4. Principal tubist Joseph Ritchie will perform the first movement of Bruce Broughton’s Concerto for Tuba and Orchestra. Finally, Assistant Concertmaster violinist Elliott Lin will present Pablo de Sarasate’s Ziguenerweisen.

The Carolina Youth Symphony Orchestra will conclude the concert with music from the Indiana Jones movies. We will enjoy performing for you John Williams’ theme music from his film Raiders of the Lost Ark.

Our Repertory Orchestra and Concert Orchestra, led respectively by Ginger Greer and Jim Kilgus will begin our concert at 3:00 pm. Please make plans to join us as we celebrate the talent of these remarkable young musicians.

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