

*Season's Greetings!*

*There were many wonderful musical memories  
made celebrating 2023-2024*

- ♪ The recognition of our efforts by the awarding of the Order of Ottawa;
- ♪ Mozart's Birthday;
- ♪ Laurence Wall's well deserved retirement from the CBC;
- ♪ The Alumni Concert;
- ♪ The revival of the YSPF Newsletter

*An interesting article about the YSPF Concert of November 2, 2024  
by Daniel Cheung, violinist/violist:*

On November 2nd, the YSPF had their first concert of the season, opening with the *Treble Makers* playing the ethereal and energetic *Quartet for 4 Violins* by G. Bacewicz. The program continued with a piece by Eugène Ysaÿe, performed by Ottawa Youth Symphony Orchestra violinist, Iris Shen, and the first movement of Seitz's *Violin Concerto No. 3*, performed by Jingxian Liu.

The first half concluded with young nine-year-old Cindy Xia's rousing performance of *Introduction and Tarantella* by Sarasate.

The second half of the program featured several beautiful performances. Philippe Lafleur, finalist of last year's OYSO Concerto Competition, performed an impressive rendition of *Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso* by Camille Saint-Saëns. Following him, Élise Dubé, a student at the Conservatoire de musique de Gatineau, made an exquisite performance of the *Sonata in G Minor* by Debussy.

To end the program, the String Quartet of the Conservatoire de Musique de Gatineau, performed Rossini's *String Sonata No. 6*, followed by Teddy Bor's *Bach on the Double* to enthusiastic applause.

As usual, the concert was a wonderful showcase of Ottawa's young musical talents.

No doubt it was a great experience for the young musicians as well. As a former high school viola student, these YSPF concerts were incredibly formative for me as a musician, and as a person. Being at this YSPF concert reminded me of the countless hours spent in meticulous practice, and the nerves and thrill of getting up on stage to perform.

These concerts were what really taught me what it means to be a musician, and what it means to play for other people. And although I am not a professional musician, the ability to spend hours refining a piece, then perform it in front of an audience, is a skill that has served me well in both my academic and professional careers.

I know the students who performed at this concert will feel the same way in the near future, regardless of whether they pursue music as a career.



Photos by Floralove Katz Nov 2, 2024

***Next Concert: Saturday, February 1st, 2025***

**"YSPF creates, provides, promotes and subsidizes opportunities that will develop the abilities of promising young string performers of the National Capital Region up to the age of 18."**

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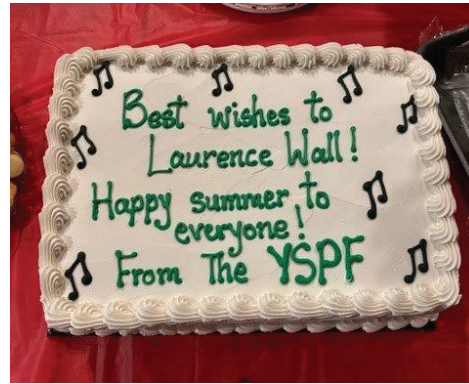
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# *Here are some photos from our June 8, 2024 Fundraising Concert*

*Photos by Floralove Katz*



*We would like to express  
our appreciation to  
**ROGERS TV** for filming  
this wonderful concert.*

*It is available for viewing  
on the **ROGERS TV**  
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**Young String Performers'  
Foundation (YSPF) Concert**