

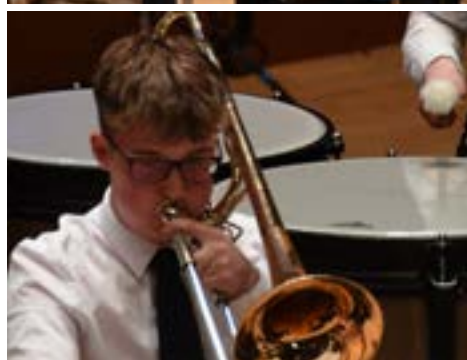
PERTH YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Led by Megan Gebara
Conducted by Mr Allan Young



ANNUAL CONCERT

Perth Concert Hall
7.30pm SUNDAY 7th APRIL 2024



From the President



Welcome to PYO's 2024 music camp concert. This year I was lucky enough to hear PYO's concerto auditions. The standard was very high and I am confident that you are in for a treat this evening, with our excellent soloists Chloe Moodie and Eva Seba.

Over the last two years it has been encouraging to see PYO build up again, having been much reduced following covid. It is a testament to the dedication of Allan Young and his Instrumental Music Tutors, and to the introduction of free music tuition, that PYO and other central groups have been recovering well. Allan, who was awarded an MBE for services to music in January, will be missed when he retires in December following 40 years of dedicated service to Perth and Kinross music.

The future of instrumental music is very uncertain given the recent vote to cut funding to the Instrumental Music Service, including staff redundancies over the next three years. The passion, determination and organisation of PYO members in opposing these cuts shows just how much music, and the instrumental music service, means to them.

We are extremely grateful to the following for their support: Forteviot Trust, Gannochy Trust and all the individual Friends of Perth Youth Orchestra, parents and friends of the orchestra, both past and present.

Thank you for coming this evening. I hope you enjoy the concert.

Susannah Rae

President 2023-24

PROGRAMME

PERTH YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Suite No.1 from Carmen

Georges Bizet

Music from the Suite for Strings

John Rutter

Concerto No.1 in G minor for Piano and Orchestra

Felix Mendelssohn

Movement 1 – Molto allegro con fuoco

Soloist: Chloe Moodie

INTERVAL

Concerto for Marimba and String Orchestra

Ney Rosauro

Movement iv - Despedida

Soloist : Eva Seba

Treasure Planet

James Newton Howard

How to Train your Dragon

John Powell arr O'Loughlin

Les Miserables

Claude-Michel Schonberg arr Lowden

PERTH YOUTH ORCHESTRA 2024

Conducted by Mr Allan Young - Leader Megan Gebara

VIOLIN 1

*Sponsored by
Mrs Marjorie N. Watson*
and

VIOLIN 2

*Sponsored by
John Mitchell*

Megan Gebara (leader)

Fenella Bouteloup

Isabella Chen

Georgina Conden

Finn Gilfillan

Nesta Goodacre

Kim Green

Emma Hall

Martha Harvey

Kirsten Kelly

Zoe Leonard

Faith Loudon

Yasmin McDonald

Emily McGregor

Chloe Moodie

Joanyoung Perkins

Isabella Phillips

Julia Pojda

Holly Purton

Finlay Rutherford

Cormac Scrimgeour

Methuli Sellahewa

Douglas Sime

Nadia Siniagin

Munro Strachan

Amy Wilson

VIOLA

*Sponsored
by Mr D.G. Gilmour*

Leo Chalamanda

Mya Chalmers

Tess Dowse-Moore

Anna-Lena Kinnell

Anna McGoldrick

Alysia Shepherd

Juliet Sutherland

CELLO

*Sponsored
by Mrs Julie Banks*

Josy Willow Carlow

Tabatha Conden

Roisin Hull

Ellen Lacoux

Daisy Ramsey

Majka Wereszczynska

DOUBLE BASS

*Sponsored
by Mr Mark Webster*

Sophia Whittall

James Whyte

FLUTE

*Sponsored by
Henry C. Neil MBE*

Sarah Kader

Hazel Martin

Kirk Robb

Euan van Aswegen

OBOE

*Sponsored
by Mr Charles Wiggetts*

Emma Shinwell

CLARINET

*Sponsored
by Andrew & Frances
Turnbull*

Charlotte Fraser

Emma McIntosh

HORNS

*Sponsored
by Fiona Drimmie*

Holly Carnson

Rebecca Eastop

Bobbi-Anne Fraser

TRUMPET

*Sponsored
by Mr R.C.J. Scott*

Lauren Bell

Emilie Boulet

Natasha Myles

Corey Smith

James Whittaker

TROMBONE

*Sponsored
by J. McNaughton*

Freddie Cobb

Max Keevash

PERCUSSION

*Sponsored
by Mr Gerald Strickland*

Ross Annan

Tilly Law

Zoë Neave

Noah Scott

Eva Seba

Angus Sloan

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Chloe Moodie (soloist)

Chloe is in sixth year at Perth Grammar School. She is currently studying Piano at the Junior Conservatoire in Glasgow and is going on to study music next year.

Chloe developed a passion for music at a young age and has played violin in the Perth Youth Orchestra since 2018, experiencing a range of fantastic opportunities including music camps, festivals and a tour of Italy in 2019.

Her passion for music extends beyond her main instruments; she enjoys singing and performing in choirs (and has recently even experimented with tooting the flute!). She has thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of learning Mendelssohn's Piano concerto No.1 and the drama and colour he creates in the piece and looks forward to bringing this to life, performing it with our brilliant orchestra.



Eva Seba (soloist)

Eva began her musical journey at Auchterarder primary at age 8 when she started learning the snare drum. Her interest in percussion brought her under the tutelage of Lynsey Patterson at age 10 where she branched into tuned percussion and started at central groups. She played with Junior Brass and progressed up to Perth Youth Orchestra and Percussion Ensemble with whom she plays now.

Eva joined the Junior Conservatoire of Scotland at the beginning of the academic year and she is now taught by Alasdair Rankin. With her experience with PYO Eva was put into the Junior's Symphony Orchestra, Percussion Ensemble and Wind Orchestra. In February, Eva won the prestigious Colin Currie percussion competition at the RCS.

Eva is still dedicated to the snare drum and played lead drummer at several high profile events with the National Youth Pipe Band



of Scotland. She is currently the youngest member of the Grade 1, Police Scotland and Federation Pipe Band. The four mallet marimba is very much a favoured discipline of Eva's. The rhythmic and colourful Rosauro concerto displays the instrument spectacularly, alongside the talented musicians of Perth Youth Orchestra.

Since joining Perth Youth Orchestra in 2016, during P7, Megan has enjoyed its sense of community and a feeling of safety. She has looked forward to going back every season.

Megan first started to play the violin when she was six years old, in Dubai. She knew immediately that it was going to be her forever instrument alongside her singing. When she moved to Scotland in 2014 she joined the Senior Strings Orchestra in central groups and then Perth Youth Orchestra which, she says, "will always hold a special place in her heart."

"The biggest highlight for me was the 2019 Italy Tour, where I experienced playing music to crowds at a whole new level. I am currently a full time bartender at Gleneagles but moving forward after this year, I am going to move down to London and get a degree in musical theatre, also continuing and hoping to play my violin alongside my theatre in an orchestra."

Megan Gebara (leader)





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Become a Friend of Perth Youth Orchestra by giving a regular donation of at least £30 per person per year. If you donate £120 or more per year, your Friend's subscription will mean that you can sponsor a section in the orchestra in our 'name a desk scheme'.

You can also increase the value of your donation by 25p for every £1, if you are a UK taxpayer, by ticking the YES box in the Gift Aid section. This increases our funding without costing you anything extra.

The Friends of PYO help the orchestra continue to give young players opportunities to experience being part of team and performing to audiences at home and abroad. Performing in an orchestra gives young people useful skills, confidence and fun! All Friends and named desks are listed in the concert programmes, unless you request otherwise. Friends are sent regular updates about the orchestra's concerts and social events.

COMING EVENTS

Perth Festival of the Arts

Dedication Service
in St John's Kirk, Perth

Perth Youth Orchestra will lead the praise

11am, Sunday 26th May 2024

Please be seated by 10.45am

Retiring collection

Autumn Concerts

Perth Youth Orchestra
at Greyfriars Kirk, Edinburgh
Edinburgh Festival Fringe
7.30pm, Thursday 22nd August 2024
(Book at the Fringe Box Office or on PYO website)

Perth Youth Orchestra
at Perth Concert Hall (tbc)
7.30pm, Monday 26th August 2024

A youth orchestra makes the perfect arena for developing our next generation.

It is here that we learn to listen respond and interact on a social
as well as musical level which we can carry into all areas of life.

This exhilarating thrill of inspired music-making
encourages us to reach higher.

Please help to support and encourage youth music.

Join the Friends of Perth Youth Orchestra.

Su-a Lee (Chief Patron PYO)





Celebrating our Soloists

- 1970 - Lesley Johnston (piano)
1971 - David Miller (clarinet)
1972 - Clare Almond (violin)
1973 - Stuart Duncan (piano)
1974 - David Armstrong (trumpet)
 David Coventry (trumpet)
 Alan Haddow (trumpet)
1975 - Ian Scott (clarinet)
1976 - Jane Garvie (oboe)
1977 - Mhairi Gray (violin)
 Margaret Miller (viola)
1978 - Sheila Reid (piano)
 June Scott (flute)
1979 - Frances Patterson (clarinet)
 Peter Symon (trombone)
1980 - Charles Berthon (violin)
1981 - Karen Thomson (clarinet)
 David Bennet (violin)
 Steven Wiggets (oboe)
1982 - Elizabeth-Anne Neil (violin)
 Scott Mitchell (piano)
1983 - Graeme Hodge (horn)
 Mark Spencer-Bowles (flute)
1984 - Laura Ashton (oboe)
 Katherine Mathieson (clarinet)
1985 - Pamela Thorby (treble recorder)
 Jacqueline Inglis (flute)
 Anne McFarlane (horn)
1986 - Fiona Busby (bassoon)
 Philippa Gallagher (clarinet)
1987 - Alan Smith (violin)
 Philippa Gallagher (piano)
1988 - Claire Harkess (viola)
 Carole Marnoch (voice)
 Lindsay Moir (bassoon)
1989 - Mary Sharp (flute)
 Heather Nicholl (clarinet)
1990 - Joanne Gallagher (cello)
 Mark Bousie (piano)
1991 - Richard Payne (viola)
 Carol Baker (clarinet)
 Lindsay Kettles (horn)
1992 - Heather Wade (piano)
 Douglas Waterston (trumpet)
1993 - Kay Baker (violin)
 Johanna Robertson (flute)
1994 - Helen Neilson (cello)
 Hilary Moore (piano)
1995 - Heather Nicholl (clarinet)
1996 - Kirstin Mills (cello)
 Alasdair Beatson (piano)
1997 - Joanna Swingler (horn)
 Nicholas Dover (saxophone)
1998 - Jenny Handford (bassoon)
 Elizabeth Smith (violin)
1999 - Amy Little (cello)
 Kimberley Boyle (flute)
2000 - Alastair Edmonston (piano)
 Andrew Mann (clarinet)
2001 - Michael O'Donnell (oboe)
 Rowan Hellier (voice)
2002 - Morag Young (violin)
 Tom Norris (bassoon)
2003 - Anne Williamson (piano)
 Hazel Lindsay (saxophone)
2004 - Lawrence O'Donnell (bassoon)
 Stephen O'Donnell (flute)
2005 - Fraser Moffat (saxophone)
 Catriona Steele (viola)
2006 - Elizabeth Coe (cello)
 Rosanna Young (piano)
 Ben Norris (violin)
2007 - Sean Law (double bass)
 Ruth Lindsay (violin)
2008 - Holly Hunter (piano)
 Allan Young (electric guitar)
 Iain Murch (violin)
2009 - Darryl Dick (violin)
 Rachel Wilson (cello)
2010 - Andrew Forbes (piano)
 Rachel Steele (cello)
 Finlay Turnbull (xylophone)
2011 - Rachael Smart (violin)
 Heather Sadler (clarinet)
2012 - Sandra Scott (oboe)
 Helena Kay (saxophone)
 Emily Harrison (voice)
2013 - Merran Kay (cello)
 Magnus Pickering (trumpet)
2014 - Murphy Robertson (saxophone)
 Amy Smart (cello)
2015 - Neil Coe (viola)
 Jamie Salem-Dalgety (oboe)
2016 - Joseph Pickering (clarinet)
 Jennifer Whitaker (trumpet)
2017 - Erin Bathgate (horn)
 Emma Ritchie (cello)
2018 - Sophie Chisholm (xylophone)
 Jessica McFarlane (trumpet)
 Shona Rae (bassoon)
2019 - Guy Bathgate (percussion)
 Fraser MacDonald (piano)
2020 - Maya Christie
 Lewis McGoldrick
2021 - *no concert*
2022 - Calista Donald (trombone)
 Lorna Rae (trombone)
 George Croudace (xylophone)
2023 - George Croudace (xylophone)
 Niamh Clark (violin)