

# Michigan Federation of Music Clubs 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention

May 16, 2025

Italian American Cultural Society & Banquet Center

Clinton Twp., Michigan

### MICHIGAN FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Welcomes you to the 107th Annual Convention May 16, 2025

It is our sincere hope that you will find the Convention to be a rewarding experience. Please enjoy the fellowship of old friends and new acquaintances, be entertained by an array of beautiful music, and reap the benefits of an organization in its 107<sup>th</sup> year. We thank each and every one of you for attending MFMC Annual Convention.



### **MFMC Convention Committee**

Steven Mastrogiacomo & Jackie Livesay, Co-Chairs Alisha Snyder, MFMC President Sue Allen, MFMC Convention Treasurer District Presidents - Kaye Rittinger, Steven Mastrogiacomo, Mary Jane Timmer, Michele Armstrong

### Alisha Snyder Michigan Federation of Music Clubs President

Dear MFMC Members and Colleagues,

Welcome to the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs 107th Annual Convention. Thank you for sharing your time with us and we appreciate your participation throughout this event. The MFMC Profiles publication serves as our annual yearbook of activities and events in Michigan. Enjoy reading and learning about all these musical happenings!

This year, we are excited to meet at the Italian American Cultural Center for a slightly condensed convention. We will still have our business meeting, memorial service, awards concert, and various musical interludes.



However, we're starting a little later and ending a little earlier with the hope that a one-day convention will encourage attendance. A very special thanks to Steven and Jackie, as they have worked many hours as convention co-chairs to bring this to fruition.

The highlight of every MFMC convention is our Awards concert. MFMC hosts and supports many events each year, including sixteen Festival areas and our high school and college awards. We will be the beneficiaries of music from some of our award winners at tonight's concert. Thank you to all the volunteers that work hard to prepare for and run these events!

Whether you're attending the full convention or just the evening Awards concert, I hope that you're able to bring something positive back to your local club. As I finish my term as president, I want to thank the MFMC leadership and all MFMC members for your dedication and passion for this great organization.

-Alisha Snyder

President of the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs

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### Michigan Federation of Music Clubs State Presidents

| *Mrs. F.W. Nichols (1916-1919)        | *Evelyn Rhoades (1977-1979)        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| *Mrs. Norris R. Wentworth (1919-1921) | Faith Rickey (1979-1981)           |
| *Mrs. Elmer James Ottaway (1921-1925) | *Betty Burgoyne (1981-1983)        |
| *Mrs. Byrl Fox Bacher (1925-1929)     | *Lucille Bell (1983-1985)          |
| *Alma Swinton (1929-1930)             | *Doris Markel (1985-1987)          |
| *Mrs. Samuel C. Mumford (1930-1931)   | Florence Marshall (1987-1989)      |
| *Mrs. George W. Langford (1931-1934)  | *Evangeline Mills (1989-1991)      |
| *Mrs. Bliss Willis (1934-1936)        | *Marion Davis (1991-1993)          |
| *Mrs. I.B. Gilbert (1936-1938)        | *Rosamond Haeberle (1993-1995)     |
| *Agnes Herma (1938-1942)              | Carol Wheat (1995-1997)            |
| *Helen Nancy Martin (1942-1946)       | *Stephanie Westerfield (1997-1999) |
| *Mrs. Allen B. Crow (1946-1950)       | *Nancy J. Erickson (1999-2001)     |
| *Mrs. Oscar F. Hutchinson (1950-1952) | *Helen "Tenney" Miller (2001-2003) |
| *Dorothy Coolidge (1952-1956)         | Marylin Hastings (2003-2005)       |
| *Dorotha Burrell (1956-1959)          | *Virginia O'Brien (2005-2007)      |
| *Ruth Curtis (1959-1962)              | Mary Irvine (2007-2009)            |
| *Adeline Crawford (1962-1965)         | Joanne Holman (2009-2011)          |
| *Anne Vanderheide (1965-1967)         | Connie B. Randall (2011-2013)      |
| *Sarah Reece (1967-1969)              | Mary Jane Timmer (2013-2015)       |
| *Marjorie Dowling (1969-1971)         | Penny Draper (2015-2017)           |
| *Eleanor Liebu (1971-1973)            | Laurie M. Marshall (2017-2019)     |
| *Grace Shannon (1973-1975)            | Beatrice Wassenberg (2019-2021)    |
| Helen Hammond (1975-1977)             | Arlene Anger (2021-2023)           |

Alisha Snyder (2023-2025)

\*deceased

### The Federation Collect

We praise thee and thank thee, Father, for the gift of music. Through us, as channels of Thy grace, may this blessed legacy be shared with all mankind. Grant that we may exemplify in our own lives the harmony of Thy great purpose for us.

Give us magnitude of soul and such understanding hearts that we who make music may be as players upon rightly tuned instruments responding to Thy leading.

Let us with renewed consecration dedicate ourselves to the purpose of our Federation, to bring the spiritualizing force of music to the inner life of our nation. Open our minds that divine knowledge and wisdom may teach us how best to execute our pledge.

Mrs. Thomas J. Cole Excerpts from A Musical Ritual, Mrs. Frank A. Seiberling

# Insignia The Symbol of Our Federation



The encircling band of blue is the loyalty that holds us together within the Federation. It is tipped with the gold that is enduring in our friendship and our music. The eagle of supremacy, with outspread wings, stands guard above us – supreme in the power of music and goodness. Across all rests our symbol, interpreted, we read: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee''. It is with faith in friendship, country, and God that we stand secure within the bonds of our Federation through music.

Julia Fuqua Ober

## A Brief History The National Federation of Music Clubs

In 1893, the first national assemblage of Women's Amateur Musical Clubs met for a four-day festival at the World's Colombian Exposition in Chicago.

In June of 1897, a temporary organization committee was formed. An invitation issued at the time of the Music Teachers National Association meeting to "all members of music clubs and friends interested in organizing a National Federation of Music Clubs".

A nominating committee was appointed to bring a slate at the next meeting to be held in Chicago. January 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 1898, Mrs. Edwin T. Uhl of Grand Rapids, Michigan was elected the first President of the National Federation of Music Clubs. Nineteen members constituted the Board of Directors.

The First brochure was issued setting forth the aims of the Federation and an invitation of music clubs to become members.

### The Michigan Federation of Music Clubs

In the spring of 1916, members of the Tuesday Musicale of Detroit invited officers of the fourteen music clubs in Michigan to a meeting at the Statler Hotel.

The purpose was to consider the idea of forming a "Federation of Music Clubs" in Michigan as part of the National Federation.

It was then the national policy to appoint "Vice Presidents" even in states not federated.

Mrs. F. W. Nichols of Houghton was appointed to represent Michigan for 1916.

The national President, Mrs. A.J. Ocsner of Chicago was among guests at this meeting and the "Federation of Musical Clubs of Michigan" was duly formed. Mrs. Nichols was elected President.

Clubs represented were in Detroit, Bay City, Capac, Coldwater, Dexter, Flint, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Mount Clemens, Pontiac, Port Huron, and Wayne.

### MFMC 2025 Leadership

### **Executive Committee**

President Alisha Snyder

First Vice President Jackie Livesay

Second Vice President Steven Mastrogiacomo

Recording Secretary Sharon Gomulka

Treasurer Thomas Nobel

Asst. Treasurer Membership Arlene Anger

Northeast District President Kaye Rittinger

Northwest District President Mary Jane Timmer

Southeast District President Steven Mastrogiacomo

Southwest District President Michele Armstrong

Immediate Past President Arlene Anger

MFMC Rep. to NFMC Mary Jane Timmer

Parliamentarian Barb Davis

### Committee Chairs

25- & 50-Year Recognitions Jackie Livesay

American Women Composers Chiara Thrum

Awards Chair Beatrice Wassenberg

Bylaws Laurie M. Marshall

Chaplain, Tributes, and Memorials Marcia Nobel

Citation Award Alisha Snyder Communications Kaye Rittinger Corresponding Secretary Mary Ann LaMonte CounterPoint Editor Gail Mitchell Celebrate Strings Ruth Fry Alisha Snyder Directory Editor Federated Colleges/Universities Steven Mastrogiacomo Festival Mary Jane Timmer Festival Cup Esther Neil Festival Handbook Editor Mary Jane Timmer Laurie M. Marshall Finance Honorary Advisory Council Mary Irvine Junior Composers Nancy Meyette Nannette Meyette Junior Composers Associate Laurie M. Marshall Leadership Education Music Activities Donna Belzer National Music Week Chair Romaine Campbell Arlene Anger Nominating Committee Parliamentarian (Non-Member) Barb Davis Past Presidents Assembly Joanne Holman Senior Club Annual Summary Donna Belzer

### MFMC 2025 Convention Schedule May 16, 2025

9:00 A.M. Registration Opens

9:30 A.M. MFMC 107th Annual Convention

Opening Ceremonies, Welcome, Business Meeting Part I

11:00 A.M. Break

11:15 A.M. Music Performance

Julia Siciliano, Pianist

12:15 P.M. Lunch

Presentation of 25- & 50-Year Member Certificates

Presentation by Lansing Matinee Musicale

1:45 P.M. Business Meeting – Part II

Gift Basket Silent Auction

3:30 P.M. Memorial Service

Marcia Nobel, MFMC Chaplain

Joanne Wisti, Violinist Renee Junod, Violinist

5:00 P.M. Music Performance

Sydney LaDuke, Flutist Laura Palmieri, Harpist

5:30 P.M. Break

5:45 P.M. Dinner & Citation Awards

7:00 P.M. Award Winners Concert

Bea Wassenberg, MFMC Awards Chair

8:00 P.M. Closing Remarks



### Michigan Federation of Music Clubs

### Standing Rules of the 107th Annual Convention

#### Rule #1

The voting body shall consist of all MFMC members in attendance of the Convention. Twenty members shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of MFMC.

#### Rule #2

The printed agenda is for guidance only and the President may adjust the agenda as required.

#### Rule #3

A resolution or main motion shall be in writing and signed by the maker and seconder. Items to be introduced as new business need to be in writing and in the hands of the President at the close of the Friday morning session.

#### Rule #4

No member shall speak in debate more than once on the same question on the same day, or for no longer than three minutes without the permission of the Convention granted by a two-thirds vote without debate.

#### Rule #5

Report of State Officers, State Committee Chairs, and Club Presidents shall be limited to one and one-half minutes each unless the assembly grants more time.

#### Rule #6

Notices for announcement to the convention shall be in writing, signed, and delivered to the Recording Secretary.

### Michigan Federation of Music Clubs

### Annual Membership Meeting May 16, 2025

Italian American Cultural Society & Banquet Center

### Agenda

Call to Order Alisha Snyder, MFMC President

Roll Call Sharon Gomulka, Recording Secretary

Approval of the Agenda Alisha Snyder, MFMC President

Ceremonial

Pledge of Allegiance Jackie Livesay, MFMC First Vice President

The Star-Spangled Banner Bea Wassenberg, MFMC Awards Chair

The NFMC Collect Steven Mastrogiacomo, MFMC Second Vice President

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Inspiration Marcia Nobel, MFMC Chaplain

Convention Welcome and Introductions Alisha Snyder, MFMC President
Reading of the Convention Standing Rules Barb Davis, Parliamentarian

Presentation of Convention Program Steven Mastrogiacomo & Jackie Livesay

Approval of 2024 Minutes Sharon Gomulka, Recording Secretary

### **Reports**

### Reports of MFMC Members serving NFMC

Laurie M. Marshall Junior Division Chair MFMC Representative to NFMC Mary Jane Timmer NFMC Festival Cup Chair Mary Jane Timmer NFMC Choral Chair Penny Draper Northeast Region Festival Committee Arlene Anger

### Officers

President Alisha Snyder First Vice President Jackie Livesay Second Vice President Steven Mastrogiacomo Treasurer Thomas Nobel Asst. Treasurer for Membership Arlene Anger Immediate Past President Arlene Anger

### **Standing Committees**

Awards

Beatrice Wassenberg, Chair Communications Kaye Rittinger, Chair Convention Steven Mastrogiacomo & Jackie Livesay, Co-Chairs Executive Alisha Snyder, MFMC President **Festivals** Mary Jane Timmer, Chair Finance Laurie M. Marshall, Chair Honorary Advisory Council Mary Irvine, Chair Laurie M. Marshall, Chair Leadership Education Music Activities Donna Belzer, Chair Past Presidents Assembly Joanne Holman, Chair

### Reports of Districts and Senior Club Presidents

Northeast District Kaye Rittinger, President

The Birmingham Musicale Bea Wassenberg, President

Owosso Musicale Gordon Brenner & Donna Belzer, Co-Presidents

The Port Huron Musicale Diane Tomiuk, President

St. Cecilia Society of Flint Alesia Johnson, President

The Tuesday Musicale of Greater Pontiac Mary Ann LaMonte, President

Northwest District Mary Jane Timmer, President

Grand Rapids Musicians' League Mary Jane Timmer, President

Southeast District Steven Mastrogiacomo, President

Ann Arbor Music Club Sandy Huang, President

Camerata Music Society Paul Wilhelm, President

Royal Oak Musicale Ann Liska, President

Vivace Music Club Sara Aylesworth, President

Southwest District Michele Armstrong, President

Battle Creek Morning Musical Club Daniel Forbes, President

Jackson Tuesday Musicale Barb Palmer, President

The Lansing Matinee Musicale Laura Stebbins, President

State/Interstate

Lake Michigan Music Club Laurie M. Marshall, President

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **New Business**

- Proposed Budget 2025-2026
  - O Hiring of Accounting Firm ZZZ Business Solutions
- Proposed Bylaws changes
- Election and Installation of Officers
  - o Proposed for Election
    - President Jackie Livesay
    - First Vice President Steven Mastrogiacomo
    - Recording Secretary Anne Frank
    - Treasurer Susan Allen
  - o Installation of Officers, led by Mary Jane Timmer

#### Announcements

### Adjournment



### 2025-2026 MFMC Proposed Budget

| July 1, 2025, through June 30  | , 2026      |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Revenue                        |             |
| Membership Dues                |             |
| Senior Memberships             | \$12,000.00 |
| Student Collegiate Memberships | \$0.00      |
| Junior Memberships             | \$4,800.00  |
| MFMC Convention                | \$5,960.00  |
| Festival Fees                  | \$4,000.00  |
| Awards                         | \$720.00    |
| Investment Accounts Earnings   | \$14,460.00 |
| Haeberle Transfer              | \$7,000.00  |
| Total Revenue                  | \$48,940.00 |
| Expenditures                   |             |
| Membership Dues to NFMC        |             |
| Senior Memberships             | \$5,500.00  |
| Student/Collegiate Dues        | \$0.00      |
| Junior Club Dues               | \$4,500.00  |
| NFMC Region Dues               | \$100.00    |
| MFMC Convention                | \$6,000.00  |
| Festival Fees                  | \$4,000.00  |
| Awards                         | \$9,750.00  |
| Haeberle                       | \$7,000.00  |
| Junior Composers               | \$770.00    |
| Administrative (See Next Page) | \$11,320.00 |
| Total Expenditures             | \$48,940.00 |
|                                |             |
| Balanced Budget                |             |

### 2025-2026 MFMC Proposed Budget

| July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026      |           |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| Accounting                               | \$3,200.  |  |
| Administrative Leadership                | \$4,000.  |  |
| Banking Fees for Membership Transactions | \$600.    |  |
| Convention                               |           |  |
| CounterPoint                             |           |  |
| Insurance                                | \$2,000.  |  |
| Junior Day                               |           |  |
| LARA                                     | \$20.     |  |
| Mailbox                                  | \$180.    |  |
| MailChimp e-newsletter                   | \$320.    |  |
| Parliamentarian                          | \$500.    |  |
| Profiles                                 | \$100.    |  |
| QuickBooks                               | N/        |  |
| Website Hosting                          | \$400.    |  |
|  |           |  |
| TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES        | \$11,320. |  |



### MFMC 25- & 50-Years Membership

### Northeast District

The Birmingham Musicale

Suzanne London – 25 Years

Amy Lyon - 25 Years

Norma Keil Shaw - 25 Years

Mary Irvine – 50 Years

The Port Huron Musicale

Donna Schwartz – 25 Years

St. Cecilia Society

Roberta Stoltz Goergen – 25 Years

Kim Heath Streby – 25 Years

### Northwest District

Grand Rapids Musicians League

Sonnet Allen-VanPatten – 25 Years

Karen Betz-Griewahn - 25 Years

Betty Mustert - 25 Years

Katherine Newell – 25 Years

Rich Ridenour - 25 Years

Linda Rozeboom – 25 Years

Victoria Sterzick – 25 Years

### MFMC 25- & 50-Years Membership

### Southeast District

Vivace Music Club

Nancy Meyette - 25 Years

Sarah DePalma – 25 Years

Grace Chuang – 25 Years

Vanessa C. Schwarz – 50 Years

### **Southwest District**

Jackson Tuesday Musicale

Karen Annable – 50 Years

Lake Michigan Music Club

Anne S. Greenstein - 25 Years

Transferred from The Farmington Musicale



### **MFMC** Memorial Service

### May 16, 2025 "The Faithfulness of God"

| Prelude  Concerto No. 3 in D minor, II. Largo   |
|---|
| Invocation  |
| Words and Scriptures  |
| Reading Psalm 23Alisha Snyder, Marcia Nobel   |
| *Hymn  Great is Thy Faithfulness, Vs. 1-2Thomas Chisholm  |
| Chaplain's Invitation "We are gathered here to give thanks, praise, and honor to the memory of those members who are no longer with us. They were our friends, co-workers, and loyal supporters of the work of our great Federation." |
| Special Music  Meditation on the Prelude in C major by J.S. Bach  |

Each District President will come forward when called and read the names of those deceased members from the clubs in the District of whom are being remembered. As each name is read, the respective Club President or Delegate will place a white carnation in a vase to commemorate that person's life and service. A bell will be rung in honor of that deceased member.

#### Northeast District

Kaye Rittinger, President

Birmingham Musicale

Bea Wassenberg, President

Joyce Brockmuel Zelna Randall

John Reddy

Colette Rosner

Owosso Musicale Gordon Brenner, President

> Suzanne Degerstrom Genevieve Jennings

Port Huron Musicale Diane Tomiuk, President

> JoAnn Aplin Judy Halamka Maxine Hitchings

St. Cecilia Society of Flint Alesia Byrd Johnson, President

> Altheada Fisher Lennis Swift

Tuesday Musicale of Greater Pontiac MaryAnn LaMonte, President

> Kay Johnson Elaine Mondt

Southeast District

Steven Mastrogiacomo, President Paul Wilhelm, President Camerata Music Society

Jennifer Guenther

Ann Liska, President Royal Oak Musicale

> Julianna Clouse Marjorie Crumley Violet Daniel Geri Lacey Ruth MacPhee Beverly Stief

Jacque Waggoner

Cynthia Davey

Southwest District Michele Armstrong, President

Jackson Tuesday Musicale Barb Palmer, President

### \*MFMC Chaplain

The MFMC President, Alisha Snyder, will now place a red carnation to signify our dedication and commitment to the work of those who have gone before us.

### \*Hymn Chorus

\*Benediction Marcia Nobel

### \*Hymn Chorus

### Postlude

Sonata in G Minor, I. Andante, II. Allegro.......George Whelpton

### **Participants**

Renee Junod, Violin Joanne Wisti, Violin Beatrice Wassenberg, Piano Steven Mastrogiacomo, Piano Alisha Snyder, MFMC President Marcia Nobel, Chaplain

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able.

### 2025 MFMC Concert Artists

### Julia Siciliano

Award-winning concert pianist, Julia Siciliano has been heralded as a musician with "fabulous creative power" by the Bonn General-Anzeiger. Ms. Siciliano has become a well-respected and rising talent on the world stage, being invited as a solo artist by many prestigious orchestras and festivals, most recently with the Orquestra Sinfónica de la Region de Murcia for the MurciArt Music Festival. A winner of many local and international piano competitions, Julia has won top prizes at the Sicily International Piano Competition, Heida Hermanns International Competition, Iowa



Piano Competition, and MTNA National Competition. A highly active chamber musician, Julia has been invited to perform on concert series and festivals with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players, the Euskadiko Orchestra's "Miramon Matinees", Donostia Musika series at Teatro Victoria Eugenia in San Sebastián, Spain, and the La Verdi chamber music series in Teatro Gerolamo di Milano. She has given recitals with Metropolitan Opera stars Amanda Pabyan, Eric Owens, and Marina Domashenko, and internationally acclaimed instrumentalists Hayoung Choi, Simone Lamsa, and Alexei Ogrintchouk. Most notably, Juslia performed the complete "accompanied sonatas" of Beethoven in the years 2020 at the Teatro Victoria Eugenia and in various venues throughout the United States, France, and Sweden.

Julia's artistic presence and engaging programming have made her highly sought after in stages across North America, Central America, Europe, and Asia. She has performed live on classical radio stations in Chicago (WFMT) and New York (WQXR), Detroit's historic Scarab Club, Cincinnati Music Hall, the Bulgarian Consulate, National Arts Club, and Symphony Space in New York City. Internationally, she has performed at the Teatro Nacional of Guatemala, MalmöLive in Malmö, Sweden, Teatro Victoria Eugenia in San Sebastián, Spain, Palazzo Biscari in Catania, Italy, Teatro Gerolamo in Milan, Italy, Parvis de l'église Notre-Dame d'Espérance in Cannes, Deutsche Telekom Headquarters in Bonn, Clairmont Hall in Tel Aviv, Rachmoninov Hall in Moscow, and Kioi Hall in Tokyo. Audiences enjoy her performances so much that she is frequently invited to return for multi-concert series, like her Beethoven Cycle (Nine concerts) in 2020 and Brahms/Mozart cycle (seven concerts) in Donostia Musika (San Sebastián, Spain). The Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor has even devoted a recital series to her titled the "Siciliano Salon Series".

Her debut solo album *Dream Catchers*, a two-disc album featuring small scale works by Beethoven, Schumann, Schubert, Ravel, and Debussy, released in 2016 to great acclaim. *Fanfare Magazine* declared "this release has merit as a career milestone" and leave "no doubt about the devotion and seriousness of Siciliano's approach to music.". *Gramophone Magazine* praised her "fine technique and natural musicality" pinpointing her "masterful delicacy, harmonic notion, and timing" in Debussy's *Images II*.

Since opening a private teaching studio in Chicago in 2023, Siciliano has established herself as a respected educator, already earning the Steinway Top Teacher Award in 2024. She has been invited to give masterclasses at the University of Chicago, Eastern Michigan University, and Oakland University, and is on the faculty of prestigious institutions such as the Interlochen Arts Camp, Reinhardt Piano Festival and Academy, and the Schoolcraft College Summer Piano Camp.

### Joanne Wisti

Joanne Wisti was born in Houghton, Michigan and began studying the violin and piano after her family relocated to the lower peninsula. She graduated from the University of Michigan and resides in White Lake. Currently, she is the principal violinist in The Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble and a member of the Saginaw Symphony. Along with teaching violin and piano from her home, Joanne enjoys figure skating and riding her horse, Princess.



### Renee Junod

Renee Junod received her Bachelor of Music Education and Master of Arts from Eastern Michigan University and a Masters in Learning Performance Systems from Marygrove College. She has been a member of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra, Concert Mistress of the Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble, and many praise and worship bands. As a retired teacher from the Troy School District, where she taught beginning band and strings for 39 years, Renee currently resides in Springfield Township with her husband. She enjoys walking her dog and spending time with her grandchildren.



### Laura Palmieri

Laura Palmieri's journey in music began when she first heard the lush rolling harp chords in Tchaikovsky's Ballet *Swan Lake*. It was then at the age of 10 that she decided playing the harp was what beauty she needed to help give to the world. Laura graduated from Oakland University with a Bachelor of Music Degree in 2011. Shortly after graduation, Laura also heard the calling to help others and focus on more direct healing and is currently a Registered Nurse at Corewell Royal Oak where she specializes in vascular access. She is currently pursuing her PhD in Nursing at Oakland University with a focus on vascular



access and music research. From Meadowbrook Hall to Mackinac Island, Laura has made music for over 500 weddings and other special events. You can find Laura performing with the International Symphony Orchestra, Royal Oak Symphony, and many other community orchestras in addition to the Detroit Medical Orchestra. Laura has been a member of the Detroit Medical Orchestra for about 10 years and currently serves on the Board of Directors as the chamber music liaison between DMO and our many hospital partners.

### Sydney LaDuke

Sydney LaDuke began playing flute in the fifth grade in Derby, Kansas, and went on to study at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she earned dual degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Music Performance under the instruction of Dr. John Bailey. After graduating, she moved to Detroit for work and has been with Ford Motor Company for nearly 15 years, currently working as a Feature Strategy Manager, leading strategic efforts in software-enabled feature development. Sydney joined the Detroit Medical Orchestra in 2013 and



has been an active member both as a musician and a leader. She currently serves as the orchestra's principal flutist, Music Librarian, and Chairperson of the Board of Directors. Beyond music and engineering, her most cherished role is being a new mother – she and her husband, John, welcomed their first child, Camille, in September.

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The Northwest District thanks the Southeast District for a great convention!

## Tuesday Musicale of Greater Pontiac



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- Michigan Federation Festival participation
- Music Teacher development and support

Paul Wilhelm, President e-mail: paulwilhelmstudio9@gmail.com



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