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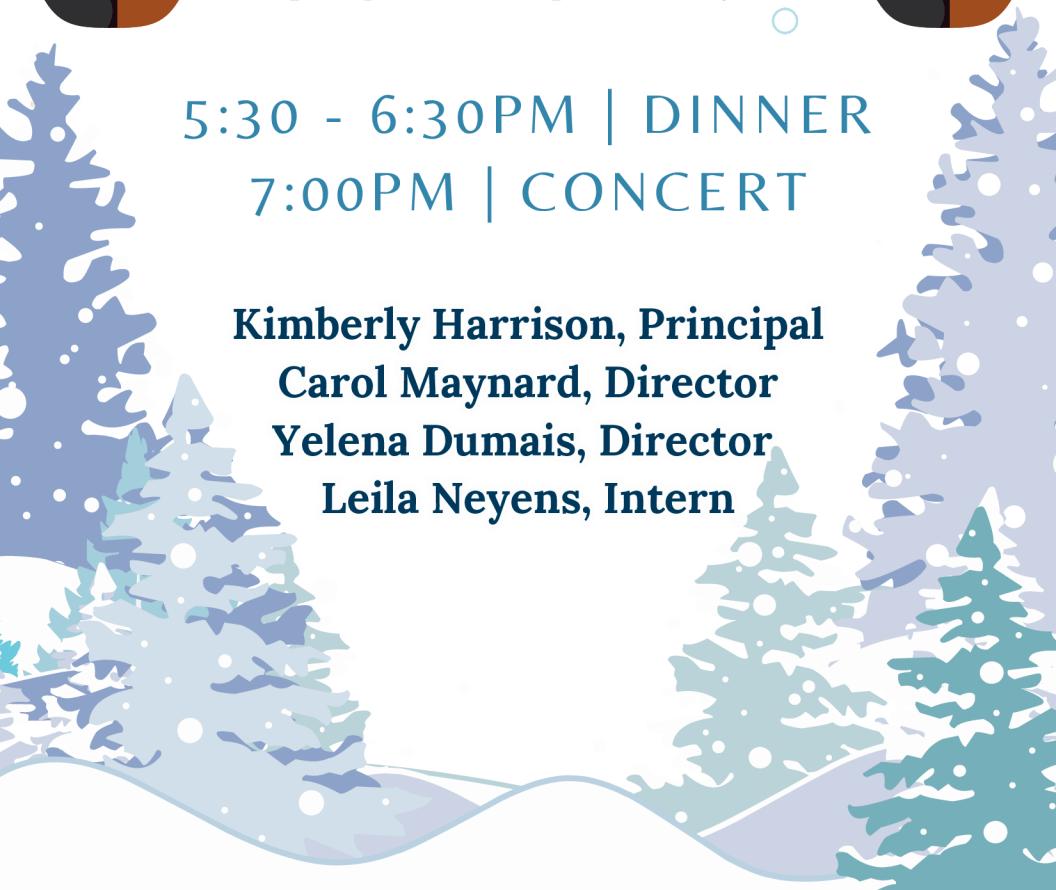
2025

Winter
CONCERT



5:30 - 6:30PM | DINNER
7:00PM | CONCERT

Kimberly Harrison, Principal
Carol Maynard, Director
Yelena Dumais, Director
Leila Neyens, Intern



Welcome & About

The LaVilla Orchestra Department is comprised of four levels of performance ensembles constructed over seven separate curriculums. The program's levels range from beginner all the way to extremely advanced.

The four performance levels are Concert, Sinfonia, Repertory, and Chamber Orchestras. The Sinfonia, Repertory, and Chamber Orchestras consistently receive Superior ratings at the annual Florida Orchestra Association's Concert Music Performance Assessment.

Members of the Chamber Orchestra regularly represent the LaVilla Orchestra Department at events across the community by invitation from the Superintendent, School Board, city officials, and community groups. The LaVilla Orchestra program boasts an entirely unique peer-mentor model that is highly successful and results in the cultivation of accomplished and sophisticated musicians, most of whom continue on to the nationally acclaimed Douglas Anderson School of the Arts Orchestra Program under the direction of Brian Griffin and Courtney Chrestensen.

The LaVilla Orchestra Program is fortunate to operate under a very supportive administrative team led by Principal Kimberly Harrison, who advocates tirelessly for us, and all of the arts areas here at LaVilla.

Congratulations!

The LaVilla Orchestra Department would like to extend a special congratulations to the **SIX** students selected to participate in the 2026 Florida Orchestra Association's All-State Middle School Orchestra! These students were selected through a competitive audition process, against hundreds of middle school orchestra students from across the state, for their position in the All-State Orchestra.

Congratulations to:

Garrett DeGruchy, Cello

Kennedy Matthews, Viola

Aaron McGill, Cello

Maverick Monroe, Viola

Ruari Sullivan, Bass

Tristan Watzlawik-Roemer, Cello

We would also like to congratulate **all the LaVilla Orchestra students who auditioned for All-State** this year for their hard work, dedication, and determination.

Mrs. Dumais and I are so proud of you all!

Shout Outs

Marirosa,

We are so proud of everything you've achieved.

We love you so very much!

God bless you!

Omar, Maria Rosa y Perla

Shout-out to our girl Deja!

We are so proud of you and all the hard work you've put into orchestra this year. We can truly see your growth every time you play. Keep going, keep practicing, and keep believing in yourself. Good luck in your performance!! We know you're going to do amazing!

Love Mommy, Daddy, Grandma, Papa and Twins!!!

Get after it, Declan!

Your passion for music continues to impress us, and fill our hearts with pride. Your dedication to improvement is a great foundation for years to come, both with and without music. We love you!

Mom and Dad



Concert

Prelude and Fugue.....Brian Balmages
Bear on the Square.....Perry Holbrook

Sinfonia

Dreamer's FarewellRobert Kerr
Brandenburg Concert No. 5.....Bach/Isaac

Repertory

Cosi Fan Tutte.....W.A. Mozart/Todd Parrish
Largo from Symphony No. 9.....Antonin Dvorak/
Robert D. McCashin
Molly on the Shore.....Percy Grainger/
Sandra Dackow

Chamber

.....Yukiko Nishimura
, II. Adagio, molto sostenuto.....
.....Norman Dello Joio
Strings, IV. Finale.....Pyotr
Tchaikovsky

Concert Orchestra

VIOLIN

Camille Austin
Maya Bjorn
Jordan Cagiano
Nazara Crawford
Karsen Crook
Eddie Damato
Zyien Davis

VIOLA

Zoe Jardine
Noah Lim
Deja Plante
Mizeah Taylor

BASS

Courtney Harris
Grayson Harrison

Piper Fox
Jariah Gatlin
Leonna Green
Joshua Hendley-Hawkins
Sade Holzendorf
Kalila James
Raeleigh Johns
Levi Justice

CELLO

Anita Beigomi
Darra-Rose Bellamy
Andrew Boucher
Cassie Carpenter
Leon Ciric

Angel Jacobs
Andrea McCoy

Avangaline Perry
Temperance Pruitt
Katon Pullins
Ayden Rice
Emma Ridout
Lyric Rivadeneira
Tin Za Tling
Kairi Van Vleet

Yahmoni Davis
Joel Harris
Jonas Fonthus
London Hardmon
Ethan Kidman

Christopher Standish

VIOLIN

Camille Austin
Samuel Baena
Jordan Cagiano
Lucas Chique-Calzada
Karsen Crook
Eddie Damato
James Douglas

VIOLA

Samone Christophe
Emmie Fralicker
George Henry

CELLO

Anita Beigomi
Andrew Boucher
Jahking Chaney
William Clincy
Yahmoni Davis
London Hardmon

Piper Fox
Jariah Gatlin
Leonna Green
Kalila James
Malachi Johnson
Damaris Jones
Bianca Morales

Zoe Jardine
Noah Lim
Deja Plante
Jolene Schultz

Avangaline Perry
Temperance Pruitt
Mira Rajamannar
Ayden Rice
Emma Ridout
Kennedy Smith
Tin Za Tling

Isabela Taveras Rivera
Mizeah Taylor
Violet Thigpen
Charlotte White

BASS

Ethan Kidman
Charlotte Maynard
Quentin Monroe
Deangelo Singleton
Declan Walsh
Alexandra Williams

Grayson Harrison
Agnes Lovelace
Andrea McCoy
Christopher Standish

Repertory Orchestra

VIOLIN

Thomas Anderson
Samuel Baena
Lucas Chique-Calzada
Ella Crabtree
James Douglas
Gabriela Faltine Romero

Tallulah Henderson
Yanna James
Malachi Johnson
Damaris Jones
Naya Kitners
Eve Latasiewicz
Kiyon Lewis

Anna Mokhova
Lily Mollison
Bianca Morales
Laurel Piercey
Mira Rajamannar
Marirosa Rodriguez-Romero
Kennedy Smith

VIOLA

Ariana Bueso-Hernandez
Emmie Fralicker
George Henry
Kennedy Matthews
Maverick Monroe
Jolene Schultz
Violet Thigpen
Charlotte White
Mya Williams

CELLO

Oscar Arnold
Jahking Chaney
William Clincy
Garrett DeGruchy
Charlotte Maynard
Aaron McGill
Quentin Monroe
Julianna Rector
Deangelo Singleton

Declan Walsh
Tristan Watzlawik-Roemer
Alexandra Williams

BASS

Jackson Anno
Ari Cooper
Agnes Lovelace
Ruari Sullivan

Chamber Orchestra

VIOLIN

Thomas Anderson
Ella Crabtree
Gabriela Faltine Romero
Tallulah Henderson

Yanna James
Naya Kitners
Eve Latasiewicz
Kiyon Lewis

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Ari Cooper
Ruari Sullivan



MARK *Your Calendars*

DISTRICT CONCERT MPA

at Douglas Anderson

Chamber, Repertory & Sinfonia Students Only
Thursday, March 5, 2026 { Time TBD



SPRING ORCHESTRA CONCERT

at LaVilla Theatre

Chamber, Repertory, Sinfonia & Concert
Thursday, May 21, 2026 { 7:00pm



LAVILLA ORCHESTRA BANQUET

at The Jacksonville Main Library

Chamber, Repertory, Sinfonia & Concert
Tuesday, May 26, 2026 { 6:30pm



SUMMER STRING CAMP

at LaVilla School of the Arts

Current and Future LaVilla String Students
July 20 - 24, 2026 { 9:00-5:00pm





ASTA Performance

The LaVilla Chamber Orchestra has been invited to perform at the American String Treachers Association National Orchestra Festival in San Francisco in February!



We are thrilled about this prestigious accomplishment, and want to thank the 8th graders from the 2024-2025 LaVilla Chamber Orchestra family. The recording that was submitted for consideration was from our FMEA performance, in which the Chamber 8th graders played an integral role with their models of leadership, musicianship, and artistry.

We are thankful for your invaluable contribution to our legacy, our growth, and our continued opportunities to feature the excellence that you have helped cultivate.



Olive Arnold
Zoe Autry
Katie Bradlee
C'ana Chappell-Bilbro
Mark Crawford
Janelys Crespo

Van Damato
Naomi Devenburg
Jacob Griffin
Tiana James
Xander Hewitt-Rozensky



Sienna Rajamannar
Gatenby Raley-Blade
Ronan Redmond
Lilyth Rosario
Cecilia Schultz
James Sylvester



We love you all so much!!



Congratulations on
your first LaVilla
orchestra concert
together!

~ *Love Mom & Dad*



Ari,

We love you, we are proud of you,
and we can't wait for your next act!
Love, Mom, Dad, Alana, and Sadie

Rae, I am so very proud of you and
how far you've come. Happy first
concert. Looking forward to your
note-worthy performance!

Garrett N. DeGruchy



From the moment you picked up your cello, to your soon to be final LaVilla note, we couldn't be more proud of the accomplishments you have made through the years.

We can't wait to see what the future holds for you. We love you!



🎻 Yanna: 8th Grade Violinist

Yanna, we are so incredibly proud of you! Congratulations on all your hard work and accomplishments! Your journey has been a beautiful melody of commitment, courage, and creativity. We admire the way you continue to grow and lead with your gifts. From your first notes in 5th grade to the beautiful music you create today, your growth has been inspiring. Your dedication, discipline, perseverance, passion, and quiet strength shine through every performance. Watching you grow has been an absolute joy. Keep believing in yourself and trusting your gift—this is only the beginning.

We are so proud of the musician and young woman you are becoming. We love you and believe in you always. Keep reaching, keep creating, keep believing, and keep shining!

*With love to our talented violinist,
Your Mom & Family*



Anechka,
We are so proud of you and all that you've
accomplished. Keep believing in yourself,
your journey is just beginning!
With love, your family.



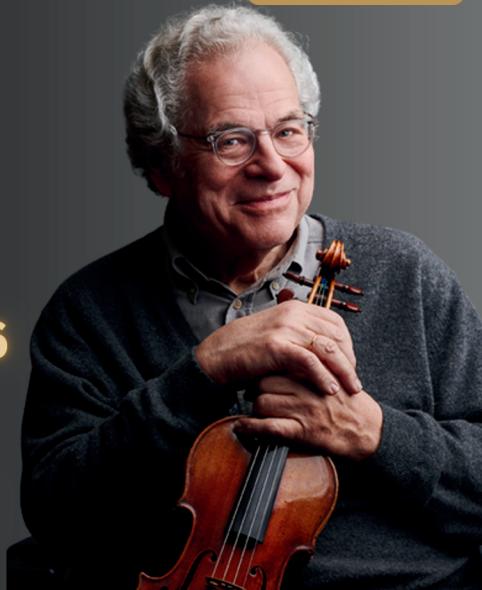
Tristan Watzlawik-Roemer is an accomplished young cellist who has performed as a soloist in the U.S. and Europe. He is principal cellist of the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Philharmonic Orchestra and a two-time FMEA All-State selectee. He performs with chamber groups for weddings, community events, charities, and volunteers bringing music to schools, seniors, and veterans. Tristan is raising funds for his upcoming ASTA San Francisco trip. To hire him for an event or support his journey, please reach out to jwatzlawik@gmail.com.



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2 TICKETS JAN. 26

AUCTION ENDS
TONIGHT AT 8PM!





INTERLUDE

Leila Neyens

Leila is from Sarasota, FL, and is pursuing her Master's degree in Music Education at the University of North Florida. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Violin Performance from St. Scholastica's College in the Philippines, where she studied under Chilean violinist and conductor Juan Muñoz. Leila has performed with several professional orchestras and has experience teaching both private students and young orchestral ensembles. She will work with our orchestra students through Winter Concert. We have loved having her here for her internship!



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SHOW 7:00PM**

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Ready for the spotlight? Buy your tickets now and get a front row seat to LaVilla's amazing talent! Want to be on stage instead of in the audience?

Sign-ups end tonight, December 4th.

Applications are available outside the Orchestra Room.



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Smart



Beautiful

Talented

Creative



Benevolent

Persistent



Veracious

Leader

STRING

Camp

SAVE THE
DATE!

\$275 PER STUDENT

JULY 20-24
9:00-5:00PM

Looking for a way to keep your string education **sharp** over the 2026 summer? Join us for our upcoming summer **String Camp**! This one-week camp for **intermediate through advanced string players** (violin, viola, cello and bass) will include All-State prep, practice methods and techniques, and group activities. Students will rehearse together as a string orchestra and perform a final concert on the last day.

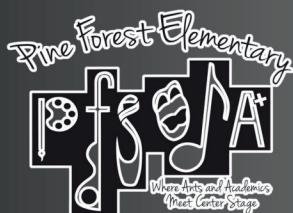
YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!



Kennedy,

Your dedication to orchestra — while balancing more than a full load of academic classes — is truly exceptional. You consistently rise to every challenge with grace, discipline, and heart, and your hard work shines through in everything you do. Congratulations on making the All-State Orchestra this year! High school will be here before we know it!

Love,
Dad, Mom and Madison



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- Wed, Dec 10 – 5:00PM (Stay for the Winter Strings Concert at 6:00PM, Free Admission)
- Fri, Dec 12 – 1:30PM
- Thu, Dec 18 – 9:30AM
- Fri, Jan 9 – 1:30PM
- Mon, Jan 12 – 9:30AM
- Wed, Jan 28 – 1:30PM

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Thank You!

to our amazing board,
volunteers, musicians, directors,
donors, interns, admin., faculty &
supportive parents and guardians for
making tonight's performance possible!



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