

LaVilla School of The Arts

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DECEMBER

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

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**Marirosa,**

We are so proud of everything you've achieved.  
We love you so very much!  
God bless you!

Omar, Maria Rosa y Perla

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**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!!!

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**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 Farewell .....Robert Kerr  
Brandenburg Concert No. 5.....Bach/Isaac

# Repertory

Così 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

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## VIOLIN

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

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

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

## VIOLA

Zoe Jardine  
Noah Lim  
Deja Plante  
Mizeah Taylor

## CELLO

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

Yahmoni Davis  
Joel Harris  
Jonas Fonthus  
London Hardmon  
Ethan Kidman

## BASS

Courtney Harris  
Grayson Harrison

Angel Jacobs  
Andrea McCoy

Christopher Standish

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# Sinfonia Orchestra

## VIOLIN

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

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

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

## VIOLA

Samone Christophe  
Emmie Fralicker  
George Henry

Zoe Jardine  
Noah Lim  
Deja Plante  
Jolene Schultz

Isabela Taveras Rivera  
Mizeah Taylor  
Violet Thigpen  
Charlotte White

## CELLO

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

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

## BASS

Grayson Harrison  
Agnes Lovelace  
Andrea McCoy  
Christopher Standish



# *Repertory Orchestra*

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## **VIOLIN**

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

Tallulah Henderson  
Yanna James  
Malachi Johnson  
Damaria 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

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# *Chamber Orchestra*

## **VIOLIN**

Thomas Anderson  
Ella Crabtree  
Gabriela Faltine Romero  
Tallulah Henderson

Yanna James  
Naya Kitners  
Eve Latasiewicz  
Kiyon Lewis

Anna Mokhova  
Lily Mollison  
Laurel Piercey  
Marirosa Rodriguez-Romero

## **VIOLA**

Ariana Bueso-Hernandez  
Kennedy Matthews  
Maverick Monroe  
Mya Williams

## **CELLO**

Oscar Arnold  
Garrett DeGruchy  
Aaron McGill  
Julianna Rector  
Tristan Watzlawik-Roemer

## **BASS**

Jackson Anno  
Ari Cooper  
Ruari Sullivan



# MARK *Your Calendars*

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## DISTRICT CONCERT MPA

at Douglas Anderson

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

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## SPRING ORCHESTRA CONCERT

at LaVilla Theatre

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

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## LAVILLA ORCHESTRA BANQUET

at The Jacksonville Main Library

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

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## SUMMER STRING CAMP

at LaVilla School of the Arts



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

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# ASTA Performance

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The LaVilla Chamber Orchestra has been invited to perform at the American String Teachers 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.

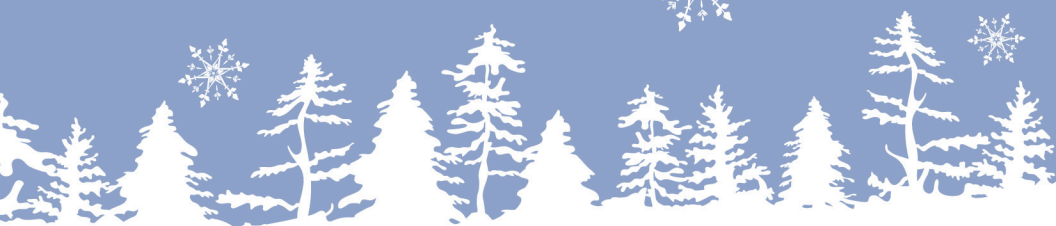


Olive Arnold  
Zoe Autry  
Katie Bradlee  
C'ana Chappell-Bilbro  
Mark Crawford  
Janelys Crespo



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.



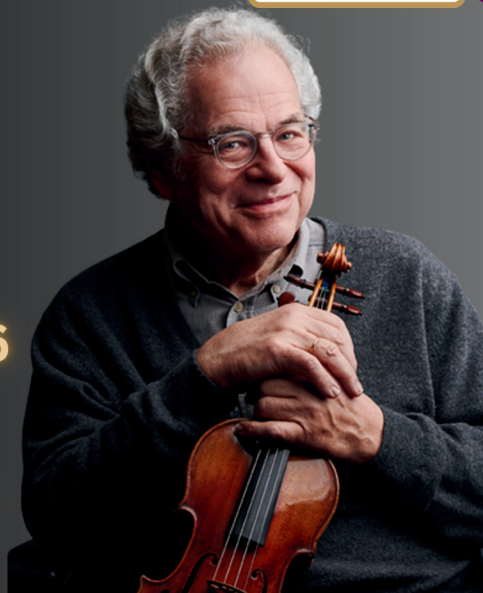
**Tristan Watzlawik-Roemer** is an accomplished young cellist who has performed as a soloist in the U.S. and Europe. He is principal cellist of the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Philharmonic Orchestra and a two-time FMEA All-State selectee. He performs with chamber groups for weddings, community events, 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](mailto:jwatzlawik@gmail.com).



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2 TICKETS JAN. 26

AUCTION ENDS  
TONIGHT AT 8PM!







LAVILLA ORCHESTRA  
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**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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# LAVILLA'S GOT TALENT

## GRITS FOR THE GIG

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DEC**

**DINNER 5:30 PM  
SHOW 7:00PM**

LaVilla SOTA Theatre  
501 N. Davis Street

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.



**TICKETS**

# Self Commemoration to Me(Anabel)

*Beautiful*

*Smart*

*Talented*

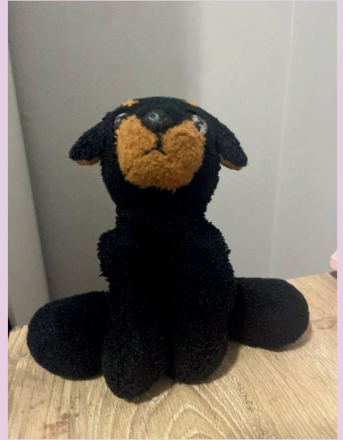
*Creative*

*Benevolent*

*Persistent*

*Veracious*

*~~Ruler~~ Leader*







**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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- 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



# 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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