October 22, 2019

Dear Suzuki Parents,

Our 2019 – 2020 MacPhail Suzuki Membership drive is coming to a close. Don’t miss the opportunity to join by filling out the form on the reverse side of this letter. Note that to join you can volunteer to help with our many Suzuki events, and /or pay the minimal $25.00 membership fee. Memberships are due by October 31, 2019 (but we will also accept late forms).

Did you know that......

- The MacPhail Suzuki Association functions like a parent volunteer organization in a school.
- The MSA was founded in the 1970s to support a growing Suzuki program
- MSA dues provide funds for Suzuki teachers to use for continuing education, such as:
  - Taking Suzuki Association of the Americas – approved Suzuki teacher training courses
  - Attending the National SAA conference in May
  - Buying music and materials for studio use
  - Paying for individual lessons to further develop repertoire and performance skills
- Suzuki teachers enjoy having a few extra dollars to use for teacher development. It’s one of the perks of being a MacPhail Suzuki teacher!
- There are more than 50 Suzuki events per year, and we depend on volunteers to make them happen. We need more volunteers!! A few examples of volunteer opportunities are:
  - Plant sales in December and May
  - Receptions and flowers for large recitals
  - Bagel table on Saturday mornings
  - Friday night treat table
  - Seniors concerts – gifts, slide show, reception

Joining the MSA is a great way to stay connected to our Suzuki program, meet other parents and help nurture and support our amazing Suzuki community.

Thank you for your support!

Beth Turco, Director of Suzuki Talent Education
Support the MacPhail Suzuki Association: **A Parent Teacher Volunteer Organization**

MSA activities planned for the upcoming year support your children’s music development as well as their teachers’ aim to provide outstanding Suzuki education. MSA collects membership dues to support teacher education (see below). Other MSA fundraising activities (bagel and refreshment sales, spirit wear, plant sales and concert donations) fund additional MSA activities:

**Activities of the MSA include:**
- Professional development opportunities for teachers (funded solely by membership dues!)
- Senior gifts and Seniors Concert receptions
- Teacher recognition
  (flowers and faculty recital receptions)
- Tour student scholarships
- Spirit wear sales

**2019-2020 Board Members:**
- Michelle McIntosh, *Chair*
- Navdeep Sodhi, *Co-Treasurer*
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**Join the MacPhail Suzuki Association**

The MSA relies on family participation to support these activities.

Please join the MSA by volunteering your time, give as generously as you can by paying the membership dues or by making an additional contribution.

**Please print clearly and fill out completely.**

Parent Name: ___________________________ Phone: ________________ Email: ________________________

Student Name: ___________________________ Teacher __________________________

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**Choose all that apply:**

- [ ] I will volunteer to help MSA Activities (Reception, refreshment sales, plant and spirit wear sales).

- [ ] I will join the MSA with an Annual Membership [ ] $25

  Membership dues go directly to support professional development activities for our Suzuki faculty

- [ ] I will give an Additional Level of Support [ ] $25 [ ] $50 [ ] $75 [ ] $100 [ ] Other $____

  Additional funds support trip student financial aid, teacher education and the MSA general fund

Total Donation: ______________________ Date: ______________________

Payment type: [ ] Check payable to MSA [ ] Cash

**Please return the form with check/cash to your child’s Suzuki teacher or MSA Mailbox at the front desk by October 31, 2019.**

Check out the *MacPhail Suzuki Association* Facebook Page to keep up with the latest MSA news.