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The purpose of this organization, operating under the auspices of the Houston Symphony society, is to promote quality music education and enrichment programs for area students and to promote music appreciation in the Bay Area through an affiliation with the Houston Symphony and other

## HOUSTON SYMPHONY LEAGUE BAY AREA PRESENTS CONCERTO COMPETITION WINNER,

## ANNA HAN



On Wednesday, March 14, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, at 10:00 a.m., the Houston Symphony League Bay Area will present pianist Anna Han, 17-year old winner of the prestigious Houston Symphony League Concerto Competition.

Anna is a Junior at James E. Taylor High School in Katy, TX. She began playing the piano at age 5, and is currently studying with Mr. Scott Holshouser, principle keyboardist of the Houston Symphony.

Anna has performed in various places and has won numerous competitions. She has been selected as a Houston Young Artist in 2011-2012 and, as the winner of the Houston Symphony League Concerto competition, will perform with the symphony in a concert later this year.

Besides playing the piano, Anna also likes reading, singing and has been selected for the TMEA All Region Choir.

Please join the Houston Symphony League Bay Area in welcoming Miss Han to the Clear Lake Area. Her concert will take place at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Wednesday, March 14, shortly after the HSLBA business meeting. Guests are always welcome. Coffee will be served before the meeting, starting at 9:30 am.

We hope to see you there to see and hear this talented young musician.



Houston Symphony League Bay Area (HSLBA2011-2012)

President's Message

Hello,

I hope many of you were at our February program with Windsync. They were delightful! We had 70 guests, many of them children that thoroughly enjoyed the program.

The Concerto Competition at the University of Houston was held on January 7<sup>th</sup>. Our volunteers did an outstanding job of providing lunch for the judges and volunteers. The winner was Anna Han and she will be performing at our March 9th program.

March is going to be a very busy month for us. We have the March program as mentioned above, the Pre-Tour Party on March 23rd and the "A Day by the Bay Tour" of the Nassau Bay homes on March 24-25<sup>th</sup>. We still need docents. If you haven't volunteered, please do so by calling Dana Puddy at 281-326-1817.

The Jones Hall concert bus group has selected The Gold Classics for the 2012-2013 series. We had 24 on our last trip and had a great time. The next concert this year is April 15<sup>th</sup>.

I will see you on March 14th!

Glenda Toole HSLBA President

## HOUSTON SYMPHONY LEAGUE BAY AREA (HSLBA) PRESENTS "A DAY BY THE BAY" HOME TOUR March 23 – 25, 2012 Tour of Nassau Bay Waterfront Homes

#### Home Tour Dedicated to Stephen and Mariglyn Glenn

Tickets are now available for HSLBA's "A Day by the Bay" annual Home Tour! This year's showcase of spacious waterfront homes features Nassau Bay. They are in the Upper Bay – Port Royal area, while the fourth is located on Lake Nassau at Point Lookout. All these houses suffered damage from Hurricane Ike and have been repaired and updated to look truly magnificent. One house was even torn down and a new one built on the same foundation.

Docent-led tours are from 12noon to 5:00 pm on Saturday, March 24 and Sunday, March 25, 2012. However, on Friday night, March 23, 2012, everyone is invited to a special Pre-Tour Party at another beautiful residence on Upper Bay Road in Nassau Bay. The evening will feature piano music, an abundance of tasty hors d'oeuvres by Robinette & Co., wines donated by Ralston Liquors and a special cake created by the Culinary Department of the Art Institute of Houston.

Party hours are 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Tickets for the party, which include the Saturday or Sunday home tour, are \$75 per person and can be obtained by calling 281-480-4370.

Tickets for the home tours are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Tickets are now available at Arlan's and Casanova's Downfall on NASA Parkway and Kirby, as well as at the Kemah Visitors' Center, 603 Bradford Street in Kemah, and United Texas Realtors on El Camino and TAACL. For tickets or for additional information, call 281-480-4370

For tickets of for additional information, can 201-400-4570

Proceeds from this event are used to fund HSLBA's "I Love Music" enrichment program at the 26 CCISD elementary schools. Pictures and descriptions of the homes can be viewed at www.hslba.org.



Home Tour Committee: Suzanne Jaax, Alberta Rohlfing, Pat Brackett, Nina McGlashan, Patience Myers, Pat Biddle, and Dana Puddy. Not Pictured: Carole Murphy and Joan Wade



# **Rock Me, Amadeus!** The 2012 Houston Symphony Ball Friday, March 23rd – The Corinthian

Think opulence from beginning to end! Imagine one endless night, where Mozart's elegance unites with rock star glamour, featuring a special performance by founder and former lead electric violinist of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra, Mark Wood. Tempt your palate with a multi-course menu by Jackson Hicks, while sipping signature concoctions. A silent auction of luxury and adventure-filled "experience" packages will take you to places only imagined – and the Marianne Bennett Orchestra will play into the wee hours of the morning! When the powdered wigs come flying off, you'll understand why this is one night you won't want to miss – and all to support Music Matters!, the Houston Symphony's Education and Outreach Programs.

Honorary Chairs: Mariglyn and Stephen Glenn

Chairs: Tara and David Wuthrich

Co-Chairs: Audrey and Brandon Cochran, Alexandra and David Pruner

Honorees: Denise and Phillip Bahr; Julia Frankel, Beth Madison, BBVA Compass

This year's ball has special relevance to the Bay Area Symphony League. The Honorary Chairs are from the Bay Area and students from the Clear Creek School District will be performing with Mark Wood.

For more information: specialevents@houstonsymphony.org or (713) 238-1485. You can also call the Glenns at (281) 482-0982 if you have any questions. There are more details at the Houston Symphony Bay Area web page (www.hslba.org).

Stephen Glenn

#### 2012-2013 Houston Symphony Concerts

Deanna Lamoreux

The concerts selection for next year are outstanding - they will bring you to your feet! We catch the bus at Bay Area Park & Ride where parking our cars is an easy feat on Sunday afternoon. We are dropped off the bus at the front door of Jones Hall, arriving in time for pre-concert notes or lunch on the mezzanine with our HSLBA friends. It is a perfect Sunday afternoon! Remember to invite your friends to join us.

The Houston Symphony Gold Series is the 2012-2013 selection by members. There are six Sunday afternoon concerts.

Best of Brahms - September 16 Tchaikovsky's Pathetique Symphony - November 4 Dvorak's New World Symphony - January 13 Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet - February 17 Walton's Belshazzar's Feast - March 17 Debussy's LaMer - April 14

When you call the Houston Symphony to reserve your seat, please let them know that you are a member of HSLBA. The cost of the bus has been \$75 for all six concerts (if gas prices do not increase significantly and the bus ridership is at its 28-passenger capacity.)

Nancy Winders is the 2012-2013 Gold Series coordinator. Please call her at 281-471-5003 for more information about the series and transportation, and to confirm your place on the bus.

### Houston Symphony 2012-2013 POPS Season

HSLBA is offering the I Like Mike POPS concerts on Saturday night this coming year with a bus ride too! The six concerts are:

Sixties Hits with The Midtown Men - September 1 Bond and Beyond: 50 Years of James Bond - November 24 Very Merry Pops with Brian Stokes Mitchell - December 15 What a Wonderful World: The Best of Louis Armstrong - January 19 Songs of Simon and Garfunkel - February 23 Pink Martini - May 25

Further details for the pops concerts with bus rides will be available when there are 28 confirmed concert goers. Please call Deanna Lamoreux and say YES, I would like to attend concerts with HSLBA! 281-488-4459. Yes, we want to have fun too!

## **Upcoming Program Schedules**

Wednesday, April 11 10:00AM Gloria Dei Clear Lake HS Soundwaves Wednesday, May 9 10:00AM Bay Oaks Country Club Kerry & Eric - Banjo and Bass

#### April NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: March 4, 2012

Linda Coney 2117 Victoria Ct. League City, TX 77573 281-332-2087 Ibconey@comcast.net March Meeting Wednesday, March 14 10 a.m. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church chapel

Board Meeting March 19, 2012 9:30 coffee and 10:00 a.m. meeting Bay Area Community Center

#### **Memorial Music Education Fund**

Houston Symphony League Bay Area has established the Memorial Music Fund to accept donations in memory of friends and family members. HSLBA will gratefully accept and acknowledge any contributions. State the name of the person you wish to remember and provide the name and address of the person to receive notification of the contribution.

If you know of an HSLBA member who has had a serious illness, or death of a spouse or child, please notify Doris Macek-Humbach at 281-996-0671 or dmacek@flash.net.

Make checks payable to HSLBA and send to:

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