

College of DuPage

STUDENT ENSEMBLES CONCERT

OCT 20, 2026

Welcome to the McAninch Arts Center!



Dear Friends,

It is always a joy to welcome you to the McAninch Arts Center. Each season, our stage becomes a home for extraordinary artistry from around the world, and we are thrilled to share these experiences with you. From unforgettable music and breathtaking dance to thought-provoking theatre and laugh-out-loud comedy, our touring performances bring the very best of the arts right here to DuPage County.

Your presence here is more than just attending a show—it is a celebration of the arts and a vital part of keeping them alive in our community. Every ticket purchased, every standing ovation, and every shared moment in this theater helps us fulfill our mission to make the arts accessible, engaging, and transformative.

As you enjoy today's performance, I encourage you to explore everything the MAC has to offer—from our gallery exhibitions and educational programs to our local and international collaborations. Whether this is your first visit or your fiftieth, we are honored to share this experience with you and look forward to making you feel right at home.

If you enjoy coming to the MAC, the greatest help you can offer us is to share your experiences with friends and neighbors. Word-of-mouth is one of the most powerful ways to keep the arts thriving in our community. If there is anything we can do to make your experience more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to let us know.

We look forward to entertaining you this evening, and we thank you sincerely for your support of the MAC.

With warm regards,

Diana

Diana Martinez
Executive Director
McAninch Arts Center



Music at the MAC

Welcome to a place where music is performed, studied, explored and shared!

In the McAninch Arts Center at College of DuPage, students and community musicians explore the musical arts, hone their skills, and entertain audiences. You can walk through our hallways and hear the sounds of instrumental and vocal ensembles, private lessons in all instruments and voice, music classes, and performances like the one you are enjoying today.

We hope you enjoy the broad range of music we make with collaborations of eager musicians and experienced faculty in classical, jazz and unclassifiable styles. All of our ensembles welcome new members at the start of every semester and perform regularly.

Music has thrived at COD for over four decades. While faculty, students, and audiences change, we are part of a legacy of music as an essential form of human expression from the very beginning of human life. The primacy of musical expression continues to this day, despite all obstacles.

We hope you enjoy tonight's concert. Drop in on our free Music Fridays @ Noon in MAC 140. Join us on Facebook (AtTheMAC) or join our e-newsletter for news about all the events at the MAC (www.AtTheMAC.org).

Thank you for joining us for these concerts. Enjoy the music!

The Music Faculty at College of DuPage

McAninch Arts Center
at College of DuPage
presents

Student Ensembles Concert

Chamber Orchestra
Mark Liu, Director

Concert Choir and Chamber Singers
Patrick O'Shea, Director
William Buhr, Accompanist
Freeman Tucker, Guest Accompanist

Percussion Ensemble
Noel Streacker, Director

Latin Jazz Ensemble
José Guzmán Borrero, Director

$2 of each ticket sold supports COD music, theater, and dance students through the John Belushi Scholarship Fund. For more information or to donate, visit ***foundation.cod.edu/supportthemac.***

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2026
Belushi Performance Hall, 7:30 p.m.



MAKE MUSIC WHERE MUSIC THRIVES

Continue your journey at College of DuPage

Located only 25 miles west of Chicago's Loop, College of DuPage brings 50 years of training and supporting musicians like you in whatever it is you want to do.

With a staff of 25 private music instructors, nine ensembles, and four degree and certificate programs, COD is the first choice of serious musicians from the western suburbs and beyond.

For more information
Contact Thomas Stark at (630) 942-2391 or starkt1620@cod.edu.

For ADA accommodations, please email access@cod.edu with the event title in the subject line and your accommodation request. Please email two weeks in advance.

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PROGRAM

Chamber Orchestra

Les Toréadors ..... G. Bizet
from *Carmen Suite No. 1*

Scene De Ballet ..... P. Tchaikovsky
from *Swan Lake* arr. M. Isaac

Highlights from *WICKED* ..... S. Schwartz
arr. T. Ricketts

Latin Jazz Ensemble

Vámonos pa'l Monte ..... Eddie Palmieri
(1936 - 2025)

Oye Cómo Va ..... Tito Puente
(1923 - 2000)

Concert Choir

A Gaelic Blessing ..... Sir John Rutter
(b. 1945)

He's Gone Away ..... Ron Nelson
from *Three Mountain Ballads* (1929 - 2023)

You'll Never Walk Alone, ... Richard Rodgers
from *Carousel* (1902 - 1979)
arr. Mac Huff

PROGRAM

Chamber Singers

Liturgical Motets ..... Healey Willan (1880 - 1968)
1. I Beheld Her, Beautiful as a Dove
2. Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One

The Blue Bird, Op. 119, No. 3 ..... Charles Villiers Stanford (1852 - 1924)

Two Spirituals

Wade in the Water ..... arr. Aaron David Miller (b. 1972)

Ride On, King Jesus ..... arr. Larry L. Fleming (1936 - 2003)

INTERMISSION

Percussion Ensemble

Cloudburst ..... Robert Clayson

Obsidian ..... Jessica Flannigan

Latin Jazz Ensemble

Amanecer ..... Francisco Torres (b. 1974)

Mambo Influenciado ..... Chucho Valdéz (b. 1941)

Want to Help Support COD Music Students?



The College of DuPage Foundation has started a new initiative fund for music students who can't afford private lessons. Stop by the Box Office for more information or call the COD Foundation at (630) 942-2462 to make a donation.

No donation is too small.

Thank you for your consideration.

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PERSONNEL

Chamber Orchestra
Mark Liu, *Director*

Violin 1
Cheyenne Duncan
Julia Macknyk
Irina Shcherbakova
Tom Taylor
Therese Upchurch
Izabella (Iza) Zmaczynski

Violin 2
Quinn Gilhool
Jack Pazin
Tommy Pazin
John Wagner
Joanne Wegscheid
JT Zier

Viola
Francisco Gallardo
Mariska Grondfeldt
Brooke Hudson
Andrew Ladendorf
Sophia Pizarro
Nicholas Tucci
James Turner

Cello
Julie Aguirre
Connor Borbas
Carla Kosorog
Emily Wolter

String Bass
Christopher Kuper
Syler Simmons

Flute
Edison Wells, *fl 1*
Mo Harris, *fl 2*
Kimberly Patterson, *fl 2*

Clarinet
Evalin Feuser
Jordan Sheren, *cl 1*
Jessie Hasemann, *cl 2*

Oboe
Anne McNamara

French Horn
McKenna Yorke, *horn 1*
Julian Paik, *horn 2*
Ana Bazant, *horn 3*

Trumpet
Cindy Mogensen, *tpt 1*
Peter Anderson, *tpt 2*
Noah Emmert, *tpt 3*

Tuba
Mark Ensinger

Percussion
Lauren Mikos
Vanessa Osorio

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Choirs

Patrick O'Shea, *Director*
William Buhr, *Accompanist*
Freeman Tucker, *Guest Accompanist*

Concert Choir

Soprano
Allegra Feuerstein
Dayanna Garcia
Kaydence Hammers
Isabea Kelso
Diana Lozano
Kate Sloan
Aris Urbina
Marisol Vera

Alto
Rachel Gaskill
Trinitee McCoy
Cassie Morales
Dana Romonosky

Tenor
Michael Cortez
Aidan Goughenour
Logan Sardina
Harkanwal Sasan

Bass
Micah Emmons
Dominik Kedzior
Yahia Nabil
Connor Nolan
Noah Petersen
Bryan Pochowicz
Jaden Tybor

College of DuPage Concert Choir is open to all singers without audition. To join the Concert Choir, register for MUSIC 1120 at the beginning of each semester.

Chamber Singers

Soprano
Arielle Benjamin
Darcy Ewoldt
Rachel Owen
Gabi Schiavoni
Aris Urbina

Alto
Trinitee McCoy
Dana Romonosky
Shirley Shen
Kiyla Smith
Jana Vock

Tenor
Erick Flores
Emerson Girling
Keagan Hernandez
Milly Zarco

Bass
Brian Grijalba
Kyle Kuper
Ryan Lease
Daniel Prokudin
Jaden Tybor

The Chamber Singers are selected by audition.

PERSONNEL

Percussion Ensemble
Noel Streacker, *Director*

Jenna Brown
Quinn Gilhool
Percival Michalski
Vanessa Osorio
Adam Owczarski
Logan Sardina
Matthew Steiner

Latin Jazz Ensemble
José Guzmán Borrero, *Director*

Rhianna Ritscherle, *flute*
Joan Domke, *flute*
Kenneth Whittle, *alto sax*
Hayden Hrvatin, *tenor sax*
Hector Montesdeoca, *baritone sax*
Keithia Williams, *trumpet*
Joseph Consoli, *trombone*
Frank Huerta, *trombone*
Maria Bolchert, *piano*
Eric McAlpine, *bass*

**John Belushi Jazz/Band Scholarship recipient*





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Dining Partners

Eat, drink & enjoy - MAC dining partners

For all your pre-show meals and post-show bites, we are thrilled to be partnering with these neighborhood restaurants. Our dining partners offer MAC patrons exclusive discounts and special offers. All MAC ticket orders receive coupons to these local favorite restaurants!

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Wheaton | **630.480.0397**

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Mexican Restaurant
426 N Main St,
Glen Ellyn | **(630) 790-3311**

PROFILES

Enjoying a national reputation as an accompanist, chamber musician, adjudicator and clinician, **William Buhr's** work as a collaborative pianist has taken him to performing engagements in more than 30 countries on six continents. Holding degrees from the University of Illinois and DePaul University, Buhr has appeared in many international festivals as well as numerous national and regional conventions of major musical and educational organizations. He joined the staff of College of DuPage in 1986 and has enjoyed an association with Anima—Young Singers of Greater Chicago (formerly the Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus) since 1984.

José Guzmán Borrero, a native of Ponce, Puerto Rico, is a multi-genre guitarist who has performed with jazz ensembles, chamber groups, and rock bands. As leader of the Latin jazz band The Afro-Caribbean Jazz Collective, he has driven the group to national tour success and chart-topping airplay on jazz stations. As a side man, he recorded on Dimijtre Vasiljevic's *Accidental Nomad*, KASA String Quartet *Forever Wild Vol 1*, and Mr. Chair's *Better Days* among others. Guzmán has received grants from the city of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, the Illinois Arts Council, the Music Performance Trust Fund, the city of Urbana Arts Grant, and the Boulder County Arts Alliance Pathways to Jazz Grant.

Dr. Mark Liu has taught music in Indian Prairie School District since 2002 and has been honored as a Most Influential Educator. He has received Outstanding Educator Awards from Boston College, Illinois Institute of Technology, Western Illinois University, and MIT, as well as the Music Inspiration Award (CYSO, 2018) and Northwestern's Distinguished Secondary Teacher Award (2018). He holds Music and Education degrees from Wheaton College, Northwestern University, Aurora University, and Boston University. Dr. Liu has directed orchestras at Metea Valley, Waubonsie Valley, Maine East High School, and the Chicago Merit School of Music. He served as the Music Director and Senior Orchestra Conductor of the Youth Symphony of DuPage from 2016 to 2024, and ILMEA Orchestra Division President from 2019-2025.

Dr. Patrick O'Shea holds the degree of Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Music from Arizona State University, Master of Music degree in Choral Music from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Bachelor of Music degree, *summa cum laude,* in Vocal Performance from

Shenandoah Conservatory in Winchester, VA. His composition teachers have included the late Russell Woollen, as well as Thomas Fredrickson and Randall Shinn. He has served frequently as a clinician and adjudicator, and has been commissioned to write new works, particularly for choral and chamber music ensembles. Dr. O'Shea is a member of the American Choral Directors Association, the American Society of Composers Authors and Publishers, American Composers Forum, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity.

Noel Streacker is a freelance percussionist, drummer, composer, music director, and educator in the greater Chicagoland area. He received his BM in Pedagogy from Wheaton College (IL), and his MM in performance from Northern Illinois University. As a percussionist and drum set player, Streacker is known for his sensitivity and attention to detail and has collaborated with many theaters, chamber groups, choirs, handbell choirs, orchestras, churches and jazz bands across the Midwest. Some notable collaborations include Arcomusical, Broadway in Chicago, Goodman Theater, Kokandy Productions, Theo Ubique Cabaret, Columbia College Chicago, Roosevelt University, UW Madison, UW Milwaukee, Ripon College, DePauw University, and Ithaca University. Streacker teaches at Wheaton College (IL), College of DuPage as Adjunct Faculty, and Wheaton North High School, and Wheaton Warrenville South High School as the Percussion Specialist and Marching Percussion Director. Follow him at his website, www.noelstreacker.com or on Instagram @noelstreacker

Freeman Tucker (Guest Accompanist) - Born in Washington State to a musical family, Freeman began piano lessons at age 5 and organ lessons at age 11. He studied at Wheaton College, where he earned his Bachelors in Organ Performance. Freeman spent the next 8 years honing his craft while working as a Music Director and Teacher in Michigan before returning to the greater Chicago area in Illinois. He currently works as a Music Minister, Accompanist, and Teacher, and is an active participant in community music organizations. When he is not busy playing or singing, Freeman enjoys reading, cooking, crocheting, and hiking with Ahsoka, his Collie x Shepherd dog.

VOLUNTEER at the MAC

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Open the door to a memorable experience

We invite energetic dedicated, reliable and customer-service oriented people to join our volunteer team. At the MAC, volunteers help create a welcoming environment for our guests with friendly service, helpful support, and a true sense of community.

MAKE AN IMPACT

Help guests feel welcome, informed, comfortable, and connected to the arts.

SUPPORT GUESTS

Help with seating, answer questions and create a welcoming experience.

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Friends of the MAC

The Friends of the MAC is a family of those who have decided that a world-class performing and visual arts center should reside in their community. Ticket sales provide only 42 percent of our $4 million operating budget. It is through the support of College of DuPage and through the generous gifts from patrons and local businesses that we can keep art in our museum and on our stages.

Your Gift to the MAC

- Brings nationally and internationally renowned artists to our community
- Supports our SchoolStage program that annually offers affordable arts experiences to thousands of schoolchildren
- Provides students and community members the opportunity to interact with artists
- Enhances quality of life in our community

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Arts Center and MAC-tastic Treat Seats Endowments

Donor may choose to direct gifts to the Arts Center Endowment or the MAC-tastic Treat Seats – Tickets for Kids & Families Endowment. Donations made to these MAC Endowments, our "savings accounts," go into principal secured, invested accounts that will provide ongoing support for arts programs and arts accessibility for years to come.

The McAninch Arts Center and the College of DuPage Foundation can also provide you with information on planned giving options, gifts of stock, IRA Charitable Rollovers and other giving opportunities.

For complete details, visit the MAC Box Office or contact the College of DuPage Foundation at (630) 942-3088 or foundation@codfound.org.

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HOUSE NOTES

• Cameras and recording devices are not allowed in the theater and are prohibited by our contracts with the artists.
• Smoking is not permitted in the theater or on campus.
• For your comfort and security, all backpacks and large bags must be checked.
• Please turn off all cell phones and any other alarms while in the theater.
• Emergency phone number at COD Police Department for after-hour calls is (630) 942-2000.
• Latecomers seated at discretion of the House Manager.
• For group discounts of 10+, call (630) 942-3026 or email grouptix@cod.edu.
• If you notice a spill in the theater, please notify an usher.
• McAninch Arts Center volunteers assist in areas of ticket taking and ushering during performances. To get involved, call (630) 942-3705.
• For **Americans With Disabilities Act** accommodations, call (630) 942-2141 (voice) or (630) 858-9692 (TDD).
• Assistive Listening Devices: In Belushi Performance Hall we offer "Auracast", a personalized stream that directly connects to your device. Otherwise, the MAC offers infrared assistive devices in all theaters. Visit MAC Box Office to check out headsets or for more information.

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