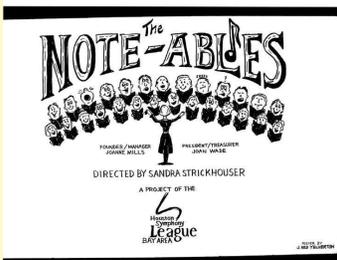




May 9 Meeting - Luncheon at Bay Oaks with The Note-Ables



Join us for our May 9 meeting at Bay Oaks Country Club. Social time begins at 10:00 a.m. followed by our installation of new officers and business meeting at 10:30. Our program will be presented by HSLBA's own Note-Ables. This choir of 40+ singers directed by Sandra Strickhouser is a project of the HSLBA and our outreach to the community with performances all over Houston at civic clubs, hospitals and care centers.

Tickets for the luncheon following the program must be reserved with Carole Murphy by May 4. Contact Carole at 281-480-2930 to reserve your spot. Tickets are \$30 each.

Ima Hogg Competition Service Opportunity

June 1, the HSLBA will be serving lunch to the members of the Houston Symphony and the competitors in the Ima Hogg Competition. We need volunteers to help serve at Rice University Shepherd School of Music from 11:30 a.m. to approximately 2:45 p.m. We also need donations of salads and/or desserts. We will be serving around 100 people so large batches are appreciated. If you can help in any way, please contact Martha McWilliams at marthadigges@yahoo.com.

Membership Dues Due

Our HSLBA Fiscal year is drawing to a close in May. It's time to renew your membership dues so you will be ready for all our exciting Fall programs.

You can pay your dues (\$50 individual/\$75 couple) at the May Luncheon or mail to Ann Morgan at 2020 Mission Street; Kemah, TX 77565

Remember to pay your dues by September to be included in our Membership Directory.

Local Music Opportunities

May 6 - Clear Lake Presbyterian Church, 4:00 p.m.
"A World of Music" presented by the Bay Area Youth Singers
\$10 tickets available at bayareayouthsingers.org or at the door.

May 17- Clear Lake United Methodist Church 7:00 p.m.
Westminster Choir College Handbell Choir Concert

May 30 - Parker Williams Branch Library - 6:30 p.m.
Houston Youth KORus

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exchange through music



Wednesday, May 30
6:30 p.m.

Parker Williams Branch Library
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It has been an honor to serve as your President this year. Many thanks to all who had a part in making our Home Tour a success, especially to Nina McGlashan our Home Tour Chairperson.

On April 18 five of our HSLBA members got to experience first hand one of HSLBA's biggest projects each year - sending fifth graders to Jones Hall for a Houston Symphony Concert. We ushered for students from seven CCISD schools attending the concert that day. Maestro Robert Franz met the students at the door. They were excited and dressed in their very best! Brian del Signore, who presents percussion programs sponsored by HSLBA in local schools, went all the way up to the balcony to personally greet CCISD students. The program with music by Smetana, Debussy and Verdi was definitely not "watered down" for the audience. Maestro Franz explained complicated rhythm patterns such as 5/4 time coupled with 9/8 time with colorful graphics. It is worth all the hard work of a Home Tour when you see the excitement on students' faces and perhaps future musicians and symphony-goers.

The Houston Symphony has plenty more music in May and the summer before the new season begins in September. Our bus trip May 20 will enjoy pianist Emanuel Ax and a very creative presentation of Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring." Brahms "Requiem" will be performed the first weekend in May. Instead of the somber style of previous "Requiems" by other composers, Brahms' "Requiem" is written in the German language and excludes the "Dies Irae" (Day of Wrath). Instead, scripture verses showing the hope of eternal life are set to beautiful lyric music as only Brahms could write.

Whatever your choices, enjoy all the great music the Houston Area has to offer!



Ride to the HSO Performance



Favorite Masters - Sunday Matinee

1. *Andrés Conducts Schuman - September 24, 2017*
2. *Mozart's Jupiter Symphony - October 22, 2017*
3. *Ravel's Daphnis and Chloé - February 4, 2018*
4. *Hilary Hahn Celebrates Bernstein - February 25, 2018*
5. *Tchaikovsky's Sleeping Beauty - April 8, 2018*
6. *Emanuel Ax Plus the Rite of Spring - May 20, 2018*

Call Houston Symphony: (713) 224-7575 to purchase your concert seats.

* Bus Ride is \$100 for the 6 concert season or \$20/concert, space available

* Bus departs Bay Area Park & Ride at 1 PM; arrives for lunch or pre-concert lecture.

Please call Jim Moore @ 281-461-3623 for more information or to make reservations

Mail Check to **Jim Moore**
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