



May 10, 2010

To Area Lake Country Organizations and Residents,

We'd like to invite you to participate in a unique musical event!

The *Oconomowoc Chamber Orchestra* will present a special **Debut Concert** of our own professional Chamber Orchestra at the Oconomowoc Arts Center, July 10th, 7:30pm. This concert includes two premieres – 'Fanfare for Lake Country' and 'Lake Tones & Special Places', Rimma Sushanskaya - a world class violin soloist, and Beethoven's 5th Symphony.

Our Mission is to lead, enrich, and inspire the community with vital orchestral events of musical excellence. This is possible with your support.

The *OCO* is a parent organization with three main initiatives:

Oconomowoc Chamber Orchestra - a professional chamber orchestra

Orchestra O - a community orchestra for avocational players with some playing experience

The Score Came Second... series - a 3-part music appreciation series with two sessions per year

Our current priority is to *raise funds* to support the *Debut Concert* of the *Oconomowoc Chamber Orchestra* and its outreach programs.

The 'Lake Country' compositions are being written as you read this letter. A number of the musical lake sketches are already completed. All area lakes will be included in our 'Lake Country Project' over the next several years. A Master Class for violin students and open the public with guest artist Rimma Sushanskaya will be held at Hartland Music Center, and The Score Came Second... series (music appreciation) will feature a Special Edition event, hosted by OCO Music Director Roberta Carpenter, featuring composer Sigmund Snopek talking about the process of writing his 'Lake Tones' composition, and violinist, Rimma Sushanskaya.

We are pleased to announce that our website (www.oconchamberorch.org) includes a "Sponsor" section that enables both corporate sponsorship and individual giving. Donations may also be made by check to the *Oconomowoc Chamber Orchestra* and mailed to the *OCO* address listed below. We encourage you to take this opportunity to invest in the community through the *OCO*. Names of donors will be listed on our website and concert programs. A Donor Reception is also planned. The *OCO* is a state registered non-profit organization, which is in the process of 501c3 registration.

The board has a vibrant vision of the potential the *OCO* can add to the community. We are optimistic, that with the support of local residents and community leaders, this vision will become a reality within a few months.

Thanks in advance for your support.

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