



March 2025. TMA - Newsletter 2:3



2025 Series Tickets are on sale

The 2025 Tahoe Music Alive Concert Series will begin on April 27th.

Purchase tickets for all **FOUR** chamber music concerts in the 2025 Series to ensure seating in these limited capacity venues - and save money.

The Catalyst Quartet April 27, 2-4 PM



Hailed by The New York Times at its Carnegie Hall debut as “invariably energetic and finely burnished … playing with earthy vigor,” the Grammy Award-winning Catalyst Quartet features clarinetist Todd Palmer, a three-time Grammy nominated artist. The ensemble comes to Tahoe on tour before their performances in San Francisco.

Karla Donehew Perez, violin
Abi Fayette, violin
Paul Laraia, viola
Karlos Rodriguez, cello
with guest artist, TODD PALMER, clarinet

This will be a varied program that highlights each musician's virtuosity as well as the ensemble's precision and expression.

The program will include the following superb listening experiences.

Suite del Angel, ASTOR PIAZZOLLA
Introduction (arr. Catalyst Quartet)
Milonga
Muerte del Angel
Resurrection

Clarinet Quintet in f-sharp minor, Op. 10, SAMUEL COLERIDGE-TAYLOR
Allegro
Larghetto affettuoso
Scherzo: Allegro leggiero
Allegro agitato – Un poco più moderato – Vivace

Gumboots, DAVID BRUCE
Part One
Dance I
Dance II
Dance III
Dance IV
Dance V

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The 2025 TMA Chamber Music Series

Mark your calendar for these Tahoe Music Alive chamber music concerts.
Stay tuned for the 2025 JAZZ events.

- April 27: **The Catalyst String Quartet with Todd Palmer, clarinet.**
Generously underwritten by Ernie Grossman and by the
Banzett Fund for Musical Arts
North Tahoe Hebrew Congregation Community Center, Tahoe Vista, 2-4PM

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- June 10: **Rafael Aguirre** - From Spain - Classical Solo Guitar
Generously underwritten by William A. Douglass
St. Patrick's Church, Incline Village, NV, 6-8PM

Rafael Aguirre is one of the most sought-after guitarists at an international level, having received 13 top First Prizes for his instrument. He comes to North Tahoe for a solo concert after a featured performance with the San Jose Symphony.

- September 13: **Haruka Fujii with the Musubi Trio** - Marimba, Flute, Violin, Percussion

In collaboration with Arts for the Schools
Fox Cultural Hall, Kings Beach, CA, 4-6PM

Multi-percussionist Haruka Fujii has become one of the most prominent solo percussionists in the area. With her will be Beni Shinohara on violin and Rayo Furuta on flute (returning to Tahoe from his July 2024 performance with Carol Wincenc.) The musicians will also perform for Arts for the Schools.

- October 10: **Yamazalde Trio** - Violin, Cello, Piano
Olympic Valley Chapel, Olympic Valley, CA, 4-6PM

Prepare to be mesmerized by Sandy Yamamoto on violin, Matthew Zalkind on cello, and Julio Elizalde on piano. Described by the New York Times as playing with “explosive vigor and technical finesse,” this experienced trio brings decades of performance experience to the stage. Their program will feature the timeless works of Haydn, Mendelssohn, and Schoenfeld, promising a remarkable musical experience you won't want to miss!

Thank you for your support! Together we are bringing chamber music alive in greater North Tahoe!

Please continue to support Tahoe Music Alive!
Bring your friends and family.



Special Event for TMA Friends

Support TMA's Youth Outreach
March 22, 5-7pm

Frederick Chen, 11-year-old piano prodigy, has been collecting First Prize awards nationally and internationally. He has generously agreed to play a benefit concert for Friends of Tahoe Music Alive.

An elite athlete and ski racer on the **Palisades** ski team, and prize winner at the recent Takamatsu International Concert Competition, Frederick



will perform the Piano Masters in support of Tahoe Music Alive's outreach objectives. Register, contribute and prepare to be swept off your feet.

[Hear an excerpt](#) and [review the program](#) on the TMA registration page. Youth are welcome with adult.

All reservations are donations to Tahoe Music Alive's outreach activities, providing funds for concert musicians to stay an extra day in North Tahoe for educational outreach.

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[Reserve for March 22 and Contribute](#)

Once in a Lifetime Opportunity Classical Guitarists



Master Class with Rafael Aguirre on Jun 11

An interactive session with the Master.

How it works:

- Selected guitarists perform a piece in front of Mr. Aguirre
- The master provides feedback, including suggestions for improvement
- The guitarist performs the piece again, incorporating the feedback

Who attends:

- Guitarists - intermediate or advanced
- Spectators, including other music students, faculty, and musicians

In a **masterclass** situation, the artist will address the performer as well as the attendees, with comments that involve and inform everyone present.

Guitarists: If you are interested in playing for Mr. Aguirre or attending the master class, please send inquiry to: tahomusicalive@gmail.com.

Listen to [this interview](#) with Rafael.

Reflections: TMA Advisors

Libby Craig

“The trajectory of TMA from fledgling to fantastic in its first two years has been stunning, bringing stellar opportunities to audiences and visiting artists alike.

The enthusiasm of the Tahoe residents and visitors who attend TMA’s concerts is palpable, and the renowned musicians TMA brings to the region — most performing at Tahoe for the first time — talk about their ability to engage with these eager audiences as inspirational.



TMA’s contribution to music education for area youths and adults through masterclasses and deep listening events also fills a longstanding need, solidifying TMA’s position as a unique and wonderful community treasure.”



[Join Friends of Tahoe Music Alive](#)

Whether it's a greeting at the door, finding your reservation, or hosting the refreshments at intermission, Friends and Volunteers serve as TMA ambassadors to keep things flowing.

We love Friends of Tahoe Music Alive!

You, too, can be a part of this community. We're soliciting and accepting new Friends, Volunteers and Board Members. **Let us know** you'd like to help.

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Thanks to TMA Advisors and Board

Tahoe Music Alive's Board and Advisors are dedicated to providing extraordinary listening experiences by world-class chamber musicians in intimate North Tahoe spaces.

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