



Tahoe Music Alive Newsletter - September 2025



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## NEXT CONCERT: THE MUSUBI TRIO

Saturday, September 13th, 4PM,  
North Tahoe High School, Tahoe City, CA

**Marimba \* Flutes \* Strings \* Percussion**



Three world-class artists with Japanese roots bring a luminous program of traditional folk melodies and contemporary works. Haruka Fujii (Silk Road Ensemble, GRAMMY), Ràyo Furuta (Western flute and Japanese shakuhachi) and Beni Shinohara (Asst. Concertmaster, SF Ballet Orchestra).

Musical adventures and listening experiences that call forth dancing on water, the path of the wind, images of the sea, blooming flowers, and spring.

**Family Pass: \$25 total** - any size household (includes at least one child 5-18)

[READ](#) about the musicians and the program.

[GET TICKETS NOW](#)

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## THREE EVENTS Haruka Fujii and the Musubi Trio



**SCHOOL  
PERFORMANCE**  
September 12  
North Tahoe High School,  
Tahoe City

**FREE  
COMMUNITY EVENT  
MUSICAL DIALOGUES**  
September 12, 5pm  
Church of the Mountains,  
Truckee

**CONCERT  
PERFORMANCE**  
September 13, 4PM  
North Tahoe High School,  
Tahoe City

Tahoe Music Alive provides access to world class musicians in support of North Tahoe's music educators.

This educational program at North Tahoe Middle and High Schools is offered as a collaboration between Tahoe Music Alive and Arts for the Schools and is sponsored in part by a grant from the North Tahoe Community Alliance – TBID Dollars at Work.



An interactive session for everyone who has held drumsticks, marimba mallets, blown on a wind instrument or drawn a bow across a string instrument.

Listen to these world-class musicians talk about their backgrounds. Talk about your ambitions, and shared the love of music.

This event is offered collaboratively between Music Wings and Tahoe Music Alive. It is sponsored in part by a grant from the Truckee Cultural District.

[No cost reservations.](#)



Great for all ages. Families with school-age children welcome. Special youth offer for this concert: Family pass for \$25. (All in the family - must include a child 5-18).

This concert is sponsored in part by a grant from the North Tahoe Community Alliance – TBID Dollars at Work - and Tahoemusicalive.org, and is offered in collaboration with Arts for the Schools.



**Reserve Your Seats. Come with friends .**

Tahoe Music Alive appreciates support from the North Tahoe Community Alliance - TBID Dollars at Work, an initiative that exemplifies community collaboration. This event reflects the program's mission by promoting community vitality, championing environmental stewardship, and bolstering our region's economic health. Your participation means more than just attending – it supports a cause and rallies behind our local businesses. Dive deeper into TOT-TBID Dollars At Work and the North Tahoe Chamber at [northtahoechamber.com](http://northtahoechamber.com).

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Mark your calendar for the fall Tahoe Music Alive chamber music concerts. Purchase tickets early to ensure seating. Some venues have limited-capacity.

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

Supported by NTCA-TBID grant

In collaboration with Arts for the Schools

North Tahoe High School, Tahoe City, CA, 4-6PM

October 10: **Yamazalde Trio** - Violin, Cello, Piano

Generously supported by Charlene and Dan Simmons

Olympic Valley Chapel, Olympic Valley, CA, 4-6PM

[Get Tickets Here](#)

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## ALWAYS LEARNING FROM OUR AUDIENCE



The Tahoe Music Alive team is listening!

We've heard that our audiences want jazz, in addition to chamber music concerts, love the variety of musical genres in our programs, enjoy the intimacy of Tahoe's small venues, and always want more Tahoe Music Alive's exquisite listening experiences.

95% of audience surveys rate the Tahoe Music Alive experience **EXCELLENT**.

\*\*\*\*\* 5 out of 5 stars in every category on EventBrite.

*"Thoughtfully curated!" \* "Highest quality!" \* "Beautiful venues, always a good time."*

Your feedback helps us plan programs and report to grantors.

We'd love to hear from you. What do you like? What would you change?

**TELL US:** [tahoemusicalive@gmail.com](mailto:tahoemusicalive@gmail.com)

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## TAHOE MUSIC ALIVE'S IMPACT GROWS

Tahoe Music Alive's programs continue to grow the perception of North Tahoe as an environmentally-rich cultural destination. Our programs and events build community cohesion and contribute substantially to regional identity, education, and youth development priorities. Each of Tahoe Music Alive's events supports our priorities, which are aligned with community development:

- Commitment to excellence and environmental sustainability

- Outreach for capacity building - all ages
- Contribution to Tahoe's reputation for high quality, best-ever cultural events.

## **Community Cohesion**

Tahoe Music Alive has a deep commitment to community building and provides a unique cultural offering for the region. It is well known that music supports mental well-being and positive social connection. All events include opportunities for social interaction as well as exceptional listening experiences.

## **Education**

TMA's youth outreach addresses an urgent need in North Tahoe schools, where exposure to professional musicians is rare and music education is often underfunded. Through partnerships with local schools and educators, TMA brings inspiring, curriculum-integrated programming directly into classrooms. These engagements support music educators and instructors in their work to deepen musical literacy, develop core academic skills, and are designed to support academic and STEAM development through musical learning.

## **Youth Development**

Musical engagement builds confidence, discipline, communication skills, and resilience. For students coming out of an era marked by social isolation and uncertainty, musical experiences inspire youth appreciation and creativity and can be transformative. Positive connections with peers and enhanced mental well-being flow from experiences of enjoying and playing music together. Exposure to high-level artistry provides models of excellence, as well as real-life pathways toward creative careers, which may include music as a pleasure, a passion or a career.

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## **"SPELLBOUND" RECAP: CHARLAP & ROSNES**



## Two Pianos in Jazz Conversations About Love

On August 17, 2025, Bill Charlap and Renee Rosnes played a 90-minute set in a sold-out Tahoe Music Alive concert at Granlibakken Resort. Appropriately, they focused on songs about love, including "Just in Time," "My Funny Valentine," "Spring Is Here," "Never Will I Marry," "The Last Time I Saw Paris," "In Your Own Sweet Way," and Renee's "Spellbound." Their encore closed the performance with Duke Ellington's classic, "In A Sentimental Mood." The two-piano musical conversations left the audience spellbound indeed.

"Spellbound" was premiered earlier this year at 92NY's 2025 Gala, where Grammy winner Bill Charlap was celebrated for his 18 years as Artistic Director of New York City's Jazz in July Festival. Before he received the honor, his wife, internationally celebrated pianist Renee Rosnes, came forward to perform the world premiere of a piece that 92NY had commissioned her to compose as a surprise for him.

"Spellbound" was not only inspired by the magic of Bill Charlap's exquisite playing but also made reference to his childhood hobby as a magician. "Bill's playing always leaves me spellbound," said Renee, before the two of them played a sold-out duo concert at Granlibakken Resort.

[READ the full RECAP.](#)

[TELL US What YOU Think - Leave A Review](#)

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## WE NEED YOUR HELP

### VOLUNTEER

#### 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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### DONATE

You are the reason for our success.

Thank you for your support and your attendance!

Together we are building community in greater North Tahoe with superb music!

Please continue to support Tahoe Music Alive!

Bring your friends and family.

[Donate to Support the 2025 Series & 2026 Education Programs](#)

## **Thank you, 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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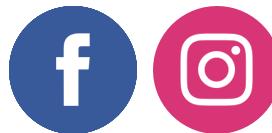
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