

Register for Stringlings today! The Stringlings are a group of young violin and cello players in the first few years of study. This fall 2019 term, they will rehearse in weekly group classes for 6 weeks, culminating with a performance at the TBSO's Holiday Pops on December 14, conducted by Maria Fuller.

We are performing a Liberian folksong, "Kokoleoko" with the orchestra. I have attached the parts.

Violin/Cello 1 is the melody, for students who are using their left hands with some agility, mid-Suzuki Book 1 or RCM Grade 1 and up;

Violin/Cello 2 is a harmony on open strings for beginners.

Weekly rehearsals in smaller groups will run from November 2 to December 5. Pick the rehearsing group that best fits your level and schedule. Each group will run for 30 minutes.

Thursdays, 5:15 pm. Violin 1s with Lindsey Herle at Hammarksjold High School. Thursdays, 5:15 pm. Violin 2s with Adora Wong at Hammarksjold High School. Saturdays, 9 am. Violin 1s with Thomas Cosbey at Trinity United Church. Saturdays, 9 am, Violin 2s with Michelle Zapf-Belanger at Trinity United Church. Saturdays, 10 am, Cello 1s and 2s with Peter Cosbey at 690 Hazelwood Dr.

After 5 weeks of group class, we will combine all the groups for the final week as follows:

Saturday, December 7, 9-9:30 am. Rehearsal at Trinity United Church with all Stringlings. **Thursday, December 12, 5:15-5:45 pm.** Rehearsal at Hammarksjold with all Stringlings and Maestro Maria Fuller.

Saturday, December 14, 9:30-10:15 am. Rehearsal at Thunder Bay Community Auditorium with TBSO. Come to the Stage Door; there will be a warm-up room downstairs for instrument cases, coats, etc.

Saturday December 14, 6:15 pm call time for concert. Concert begins at 7 pm.

Concert details: You can leave your Stringling in the warm-up room while you go to enjoy the show. There will at least 3 adult/teenage supervisors with them at all times. The Stringlings will play in the first half of the concert. At intermission, parents can pick up their kids at the Stage Door.

Dress for concert: fancypants orchestral soloist clothes! Bling and festive flair encouraged.

Fee: \$80. Sibling rate of \$70.

What if I want to play the concert but can't come to group class? This is allowable for some advanced students. They must attend all rehearsals from December 7 on. Contact us to see if this is possible for your child. A fee of \$35 will apply.

Can Junior Strings participate? Yes, any member of the TBSYO Junior Strings age 10 and under may perform with the Stringlings free of charge. They must attend all rehearsals from December 12 on.

TO REGISTER: email <u>tbconmus@gmail.com</u> with the following information: Name and age of child; Parent/guardian name and contact info; which class they will be attending. Fees can be paid by cash, cheque, or by email money transfer to tbconmusic.acct.@gmail.com with password "Stringlings"