



Education & Community Engagement Programs

Pacific Symphony serves nearly 50,000 Orange County residents through Education & Community Engagement programs that:

- Introduce people of all ages and socio-economic backgrounds to the Symphony
- Provide multiple opportunities to actively engage with symphonic music and with Pacific Symphony
- Leverage community partnerships to enhance the lives of Orange County's citizens
- Inspire children and adults to become involved in, and deepen their involvement with, music and the arts
- Increase access to the Symphony musicians and to Symphony concerts

Arts-X-press

- Arts-X-press is Pacific Symphony's residential summer arts immersion program for middle school students from across Orange County. Volunteer opportunities include:
 - **Parent Liaisons:** making welcome and follow-up calls to enrolled arts-X-press families, attending pre-program meetings and assisting with parent communication and paperwork, bilingual English/Spanish or English/Vietnamese a plus
March – July
 - **Translator:** translating forms and communications into Spanish, Vietnamese or Mandarin
December – February

Family Musical Mornings Concerts -- Musical Carnival

- The Musical Carnival is a hands-on activities fair that is a part of the Family Musical Mornings concert series
- At the Carnival, volunteers assist with games, crafts, ushering and other interactive music education activities
- Concerts are held on five Saturday mornings throughout the season from October through May
- Time commitment for the morning is roughly five hours
August/September-April

Heartstrings Ambassadors at Family Musical Mornings

- Heartstrings partners with over 20 non-profit social service agencies and schools and provides them with free tickets and bus transportation to Family Musical Mornings concerts
- Ambassadors assist in greeting guests as they arrive on bus, distributing tickets, surveys, and other pertinent information regarding the concert, and escorting guests to their departing bus

- Ambassadors must commit to four concerts each season and attend a pre-orientation meeting for each concert. Pre-orientation meetings usually takes place in the evening the week prior to the concert
- Time commitment is approximately five morning hours and one evening hour for each concert
August-September

Santa Ana Strings Violin Mentors

- Santa Ana Strings is an after-school violin instruction program that provides 2nd-6th grade students with instruments and classroom instruction four days each week during the school year
- Violin mentors assist students seeking extra time and help with their practice, or who could use a little extra help
- Volunteers must have string experience and enjoy working with students in a hands-on environment
- Time commitment is one hour on choice of most Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays 2:30-3:30pm, and Wednesdays 1:30-3:30pm, from September to June
July-March

Strings for Generations

- Strings for Generations provides a unique opportunity for family members to play and learn about music together, under the direction of professional music educators and Symphony musicians.
 - **Strings mentors:** providing mentorship and guidance to beginner strings students (violin, viola, cello), sitting next to mentee in the string orchestra (must have significant experience playing a string instrument and available Monday evenings, 6:30-8:15pm)
September – February
 - **Music mentors:** providing mentorship and guidance to beginner adult music students who are learning the basics of percussion instruments, assisting parent music instructor in providing additional instruction to students who need extra support (must have experience teaching beginning music and available Monday evenings, 6:30-8:15pm)
September – February
 - **Photographer:** shooting high-quality, professional photographs of the program to be used in social media and in parent communications; must be available to photography several Monday evenings
September – February

In-Office Projects

- From time to time, we need assistance in the office on things like filing, mailings, data entry and copying
Year-round

Special Skills

- We are always looking for volunteers with the following special skills to assist in both special projects and in existing volunteer roles:
 - Experience and expertise in assessment

- Music Therapists or those having experience in Music Therapy
 - Experience in working with sensitive and vulnerable populations
 - Bi-lingual or multi-lingual, with a special need for those who are bi-lingual in English and Spanish, Vietnamese, or Mandarin
 - Background as a musician, music educator, educator, or in theatre or technical theatre
- Year-round*

If you are interested in being a part of our volunteer family, learning more about any of the opportunities presented, or if you have any of the special skills listed above, please contact Pacific Symphony's Volunteer Services Department: VolunteerServices@pacificsymphony.org