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**MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB  
OF PORTLAND**

2024

WELCOME TO OUR

*Monthly Newsletter*

*Jerre Ann and Gus Pappelis, Co-Presidents:*

Thank you to all our members for your continued support of MMC. We enjoyed seeing so many friends and new friends at our October Tea. It was a great turnout. It was also nice to see so many people signing up for our volunteer positions. Our club accomplishes more when we work together. We still need a Financial Secretary and a Web Coordinator. Give us a call if you are interested or want more information.



AM NORTHWEST

Monday Musical Club will be featured on AM Northwest again with host **Helen Raptis**, (pictured left with Gus at our 120th celebration). Helen was so impressed with our story that she wanted to hear more. This time, Gus will be on the show with past President, Cynthia Marberry for a special interview. So, mark your calendars, set your DVR, or just tune in so you don't miss it on ABC this Wednesday, October 23rd at 9 am, KATU, Channel 2.





This will be an exciting year. If you haven't yet paid your membership dues, now is the time. Know that we can accept credit card payments now. Be sure to pick up your new directory at our November Harvest Tea and enjoy members from the Oregon Symphony on Monday, November 4th at 1 pm. Also, Save-The-Date for our MMC Holiday Luncheon, this year at the Tualatin Country Club on Thursday, December 19th and be sure to mark your calendar!

### **Grant Porter, VP, Programs and Awards Chair, Historian:**

**Portland Youth Philharmonic.** For our first program of the season we asked PYPs Musical Director, **David Hattner** to provide a demonstration, sort of a behind-the-scenes look at a masterclass. David featured their principal clarinetist, **Miloh Dunn** who performed works by Igor Stravinsky, and led a Q&A session with our group. Because there is so much hard work involved in the training and nurturing of young musicians, and because we have started to sponsor our own masterclasses, we felt we should give our members a taste of what they are all about. PYP has a great 101st season scheduled this year. To learn more, check out their website and attend a concert. Consider becoming a "Friend of PYP" to get invites to their special events and private functions. Also, take a moment to visit their fascinating [Digital Museum!](#)



**Historian's Corner** – Did you know that when PYP formed in 1924, Monday Musical Club was entering its 20th season and had over 500 members?! I discovered this in my new role as Historian when the downtown Central Library asked us in to take back a small portion of our archived materials that includes materials going as far back as far as 1918.! I received two books of handwritten board meeting minutes from the 1940s, books covering the years 1957 to 1973, and miniature directories from 1944–46 and 1975–2010. It is a treasure trove of information! If you would like to see what else the central library has in its MMC collection, contact me to arrange a visit to take a look at the amazing history of Monday Musical Club of Portland.



## Friends and Partners:



**Portland Opera** is celebrating their 60th Anniversary season. Several of us attended their 2024–25 Resident Artists Pops and Arias Concert on October 18th at the Alberta House. We saw a fantastic group of performers and we look forward to hearing them again when they perform for us in January, as well as the many shows planned for this year. This group of Resident Artists are the best we have seen yet and are accompanied by the talented pianist, Claire Forstman in her 2nd year. Claire provided free piano accompaniment for our voice contestants last year during our first-ever masterclasses.

**The Piano Santa Foundation** has a new Executive Director. I spoke with **Zack Frey** and invited him to come to our events. He likewise invited us to attend their upcoming Winter Recital in December at Classic Pianos. We look forward to seeing PSF's students perform at our March Tea. Stay tuned for additional updates.

### **Who We're Following:**

**45th Parallel Universe** is a "Who's Who" of top local Portland talent and will be featuring **Abbe Drake**, mezzo and **Katherine Goforth**, Tenor. **Raúl Gómez-Rojas** will conduct as they perform Das Lied by Mahler/Schoenberg on Tuesday, 10/22/24 at 7pm at First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson St, Portland.

**The Pacific Rose Ensemble** has an amazing season lined up. I attended their first show and they always recognize MMC on their programs. Please see their schedule and try to attend one their performances.

**Christine Meadows** performs as Julia Child on October 25th and 27th at Portland State University with former 1994 MMC Award winner **Susan McDaniel** (piano) in Bon Appétit! The Opera. Christine has adjudicated our Voice Award Auditions twice in recent years, in 2022 and 2024. (see Bon Appétit promotional flyer, right).



### **Where Are they Now?**

In case you missed it in our September newsletter, we began featuring a series on past MMC Award Winners with 1993 Award Winner **Erika Sato** who performs at the White House with the Marine Corps President's Own Chamber Orchestra.

Look forward to future updates on other past award winners and updates on our website.





### **Patty Cavanaugh, Ways & Means Chair:**

We will continue to provide the beautiful Commemorative Wine Glasses at the upcoming Teas for a donation. They celebrate our 120th Anniversary in a lovely way. Even if you don't drink wine, you can serve non-alcoholic beverages in them and be festive! Stop by and take a look at them if you haven't seen them yet at the November 4th Tea.

Also, if you previously volunteered for the Ways & Means Committee/Breakfast Club with Gus Pappelis last Spring, we will be needing your help again in the near future. We will be further developing the Sponsorship Program and creating customized collateral materials for targeted sponsors. If you have any business or marketing background, that would be fantastic, but not required. This will be a team effort!

### **Teryl Williams, Membership Chair:**

Friendly Reminder – If you haven't already paid your dues for 2024–25, please send your check to Sandy Tyler at 2309 Miller Farm Road, Woodburn, OR 97071. Our new year is under way, and we want you to be a part of it!

We want to welcome our latest new member – Holly Gill  
“I am Holly Gill, my mother is Judie Jamison, who you all know. I have two children, ages 32 and 23. I love all sorts of music and have diverse tastes in music. I am also an outdoorsy gal. I love adventure, camping and traveling.”



Holly Gill

### **Bev Owen, Friendship and Illness**

I want to remind our members to notify me if you have updates about club members so we can try to reach out to those in need and care for those who may need our thoughts and prayers.