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Fenton Community Orchestra **ANNUAL REPORT**



Season 7 2016-2017

Published: September 2017

The Fenton Community Orchestra (FCO) was founded in August 2010 by three Fenton residents who wished to bring an orchestral experience to their community. The purpose of the orchestra is to provide a place for musicians of all ages to connect through music by offering an educational and entertaining music program for its members and audiences.

The reality is that this orchestra is doing so much more for our musicians, our schools and our community. We are breaking our musician count, audience attendance and donation records and our complexity of music offered continues to increase each year. Our musicians come from Fenton and more than 15 surrounding communities. The age range is 13-79 years. Family members play together; area students choose to spend Thursday evenings making music; lives are enhanced.

New Events Held: Season 7 began with the premiere of a NEW ensemble - *Simply Strings* - an intermediate level string orchestra; FCO held an encore performance of *THE BIRDS* where FCO performed LIVE music written by Andrew Perkins to a showing of Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds*; FCO performed with Prelude Strings youth orchestra in April and Fenton AGS Middle School 6th Grade Band at the Fenton Concert in the Park series on June 1.

Audience Attendance: More than 4600 attended our concerts in Season 7 which include *THE BIRDS* encore shows, December & April concerts held at Fenton High School with the FHS Jazz Ensemble, March Business Expo performance, Music in the elementary schools, Fenton Art Walk, the June 1 Concert in the Park and more! We are thrilled so many were able to enjoy our music this season!

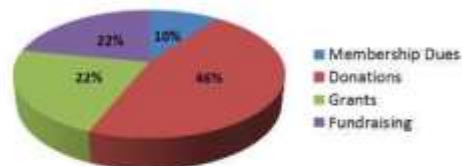
In September 2016 FCO received an \$11,200 matching grant from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts to continue our Executive Director position.

We began Season 8 with a solid foundation and a concert on July 3 with an orchestra from France! In September we have a new opportunity for musicians (FCO Wind Ensemble), and continue our partnerships with schools and area business help strengthen us and prepare for further growth. FCO will continue to serve and grow with your continued support.

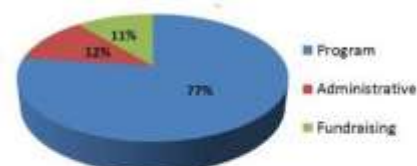
Music in the Schools



INCOME TOTAL: \$61,600



EXPENSE TOTAL: \$50,064



Season 7 Finance Highlights: * 53% Increase in Membership Fees & 5% increase in Donations over Season 6 * FCO Received an \$11,200 matching grant in September 2016 from Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts! Please note: We could use supporters who would like to donate to MATCH those funds.



Simply Strings

Our Season 7 offering of *Simply Strings* was very successful and will continue in Season 8! We welcomed many musicians new to FCO who had recently begun playing or returned to playing after many years away as well as current FCO musicians who wanted to strengthen their skills.


Season 8 - Starting Wednesday, September 20, we will have a NEW option for musicians. FCO Wind Ensemble is an intermediate to advanced level band. The Wind Ensemble will play a variety of music styles and will have their premiere performance on Friday, Dec 8, 2017. Musicians ages 12 and up who have been playing for at least 1 year are welcome to come try it out. Rehearsals will be 6:30-8pm in the Fenton High School band room under the direction of Tim Martuch. Mr. Martuch has a Bachelor of Arts in Music Theory and Composition and a Masters of Fine Arts in Music Production & Sound Design for Visual Media.

Mark Your Calendar:

- December 7, 2017: FCO Full Orchestra, *Simply Strings* & FHS Jazz
- December 8, 2017: FCO Full Orchestra, Wind Ensemble & FHS Jazz
- February 16, 2018 - Special Event- Music and the Movies

June 1 Concert in Rackham Park





Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thank You to all who support FCO!

Whether you join one of our donor sponsorship circles, provide in-kind services or support, provide an advertisement for our program, hire an FCO Special Ensemble, donate any amount, or volunteer in any way, YOUR GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

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FCO Music in the Schools Musicians	Steve Martin	Lauren Wing

How do you want to help FCO make music happen?

Season 7 (2016-2017) Music in our Community is supported by Generous Donors! THANK YOU!

Fenton Community Orchestra

Please make a contribution to the orchestra & join our family of members. Donations from individuals and businesses at any level are appreciated. Donations at the following sponsorship levels are key to our success, are valid for 12 months, & will receive the stated benefits:

- CHAIRMAN Circle: \$5000+:** Allegro Circle Benefits + Recognition
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ALLEGRO Circle: \$500-\$999: Listing in Program & on Website plus reserved seating for 6 at Dec & April Concerts, Invite for 2 to a Dec & April Afterglow Events
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LARGO Circle: \$50-\$249: Listing in Program & on Website
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www.FentonOrchestra.org

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Email: FentonCommunityOrchestra@gmail.com

YES! I want to renew my support of the Fenton Community Orchestra with a gift to the Annual Fund. Please use my contribution to make live music accessible to musicians & audiences. I look forward to enjoying donor recognition for the next 12 months at the level noted below:

\$5000 + Chairman Circle \$1000-\$4999 Director Circle \$500-\$999 Allegro Circle

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Name _____ Name for Program Listing _____

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Thank You for your 501c3 Tax Deductible Donation to FCO!

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Fenton Community Orchestra
PO Box 73
Fenton, MI 48430

Email: fentoncommunityorchestra@gmail.com
Please contact us to play with FCO or to volunteer



Pre-Register ONLINE

Season 8 Rehearsals Begin: Thurs, September 14, 2017

Fenton High School Band Room * 3200 West Shiawassee

Simply Strings

Intermediate Level - Violin-Viola-Cello-Bass

- Rehearsals: most Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm Sept-May
- 1+ years experience & Ages 14 and up
- Fee: \$60/year (or \$40/semester) & \$25 Music Fee

Music Director: Jane Ball

FULL ORCHESTRA

- Rehearsals: most Thursdays 6:45-8:45pm Sept-May
- Fee: \$60/year (or \$40/semester) & \$25 Music Deposit

Music Director: Andrew Perkins

NEW!

Wind Ensemble

- Rehearsals: most Wednesdays 6:30-8pm Sept-May
- 1st Rehearsal: Wednesday, September 20, 2017!
- Fee: \$60/year (or \$40/semester) & \$25 Music Fee

Music Director: Tim Martuch

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! * Concert - December 7 & 8

FCO is open to musicians who want a fun community experience. It is run by Executive Director: Jennifer Fleck and a volunteer Board of Directors. Please contact us if you are interested in playing, volunteering, joining the board and/or donating.



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