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OYO Alumni News

Thanks to Oakland Tribune columist Cheryl North we know that in January Ward Spangler (OYO 1978-79) carried off a "dazzling" performance of David Sheinfeld's "Different Worlds of Sound" with the Berkeley Symphony under the baton of Kent Nagano (OYO Artistic Director 1981-1985). Jeremy Cohen (OYO 1974-75), once a member of the Skywalker Symphony, which recorded The Star WarsTrilogy under the baton of John Williams, and once a member of the Turtle Island String Quartet, was recently caught in the act of country fiddling in SF with MTT at the piano. His brother **Joel Cohen** (OYO 1969-71) is a cellist with the Boston Symphony. Brother **Joshua Cohen** (OYO 1968-69) plays both violin and bass with various Bay Area chamber groups. Lawrence Kohl (OYO 1970-71), founder and conductor of the Pacific Chamber Symphony, recently founded the Tri-Valley Youth Orchestra.

OYO Members

The 75 members of OYO range in age from 12 to 22.

53% come from Alameda County; 36% from Contra Costa; 8% from San Francisco; 3% from Marin.

We are 51% female; 49% male.

We all play music.

SAVE THESE DATES!!

Pops:
Sunday, March 10, 2002
Spring Concert:
Sunday, May 19, 2002, 3 pm
Oakland Zoo Concert:
Sunday, June 2, 2002

State:

Zip:



The Oakland Youth Orchestra covers only about 22% of our seasonal expenses through tuition and fees. The remainder must be raised each year through events, fundraisers, grants, and donations. Help us maintain our internationally acclaimed program and scholarship assistance.

We welcome inquiries concerning charitable trusts.

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OYO Staff News

Today **Scott Parkman** makes what may be his final apprearance with OYO Principal Conductor, and will shortly return to Germany, where we hope many fabulous opportunities await. Scott first came to OYO in 1998 and has since led many passionate rehearsals and moving concerts. On last summer's *Tour Italia* he showed us another world where he feels right at home. We all wish Scott the greatest success!



Scott Parkman creating that Pops sizzle.
photo by Tim Hutchison

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OYO Sectional Coaches

A typical OYO rehearsal has an hour-and-a-half period during which members break down into small groups with professional orchestral musicians to work out the fine details of their perfomances: fingerings and bowings, intonation and breathing, articulation, and style. In these small groups any lack of preparation becomes quite evident.

We are greatful to our loyal and demanding, and inspiring, and knowledgeable coaches: Strings: Debbra Wood Schwartz, Heghine Boloyan, Carla Picchi, Rem Djemilev, Ben Spilman, Betsy London, Milly Rosner, Loren Dempster, Michal Shein, Bruce Moyer, Michel Taddei, Pat Klobas, and Andy Butler. Winds: Larry London and John Kendall Bailey. Brass: Suzanne Chasalow, Trish Grima and Owen Miyoshi (from Farallon Brass Ensemble) and Zach Maupin. Percussion: Tim Dent. Thanks to Michael Rado for harp advice.

Milly Rosner, OYO cello coach (who is making her work a gift to OYO this year), is also cello teacher of BOTH of the tied First Place Winners in the OYO Concerto Competition. It is interesting to note that on January 23, 1977 Milly's student Emil Miland performed as winner of the Concerto Competition. Twenty-five years later she's still making winners! Michael Morgan has called Milly "a force of nature." Congratulations Milly and our thanks!



OYO has openings for

contrabassoon french horn trombone bass trombone harp percussion

please call or email OYO for more information

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Regular Auditions are in June ask to be put on our mail list



Please Join Us!!

Fun for the Entire Family!

Sunday, March 10

3:00 'til 6:00 pm

Oakland Youth Orchestra

Michael Morgan, Artistic Director John Kendall Bailey, Conductor



Food, Wine, & Desserts Silent and Live Auction Pops Concert

The Crowden School 1475 Rose Street at Sacramento Berkeley

Tickets

\$15 Student under 18 \$20 Adults

\$250 Reserved Premium Table for 8

Spring Concert

Sunday, May 19, 2002, 3 pm Subscription Concert #3 \$12/\$8

> Historic Kofman Auditorium 2200 Central Avenue, Alameda

Oakland Zoo Concert

Sunday, June 2, 2002 free with Zoo Admission

9777 Golf Links Road, Oakland