

# **The Woodbridge Music Club's 2022-2023 Season (President's Report):**

As President of the Woodbridge Music Club, I am pleased to report that the Woodbridge (Virginia) Music Club experienced greatly increased membership, member participation, and student participation during the 2022-2023 season. In addition, we sponsored a wonderful concert featuring a local soprano and pianist, and four very successful internationally focused concerts; details on these concerts follow:

On June 4 and 5, 2022, Ukrainian pianist Liana Paniyeva performed a diverse selection of piano masterpieces (see programs). Both concerts were benefit concerts for Ukraine.

On October 8, 2022, Moldavian pianist Marianna Prjevalskaya performed an all-Scriabin concert.

On November 19, 2022, Spanish pianist Daniel Del Pino performed an all-Albeniz concert.

On December 10, Local Ukrainian pianists Natalia Tkachenko and Oksana Sukhachevska performing a variety of solo and duo selections, including works by Anatoliy Kos-Anatolsky, a Ukrainian composer, and the world premiere of a work by Robert Shuffett, entitled "Journey into Destiny: Homage to Ukraine in Time of War."

At the concerts given by Liana, and by Natalia and Oksana, the audience was given the opportunity to make a free-will offering for the benefit of war-torn Ukraine. The generosity of our audience was impressive: more than \$3,700.00 dollars were donated, one-hundred percent of which went to provide food, shelter, medical care, etc. for the people of Ukraine through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

On March 25, 2023, local artists Crystal Trebing (soprano) and Melvin Goodwyn (pianist) presented a stunning concert.

During our 2022-2023 season, we sponsored three student recitals, with nearly one-hundred students participating in each, two well-attended luncheons for our members, two student competitions, great participation in the VFMC Junior Festival, and consistent good attendance and participation in our monthly Zoom meetings. Finally, during our 2022-2-23 season, it was gratifying to watch our club's membership gradually grow from eighteen members to twenty-eight members.

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