

Millard North High School
Presents

Challenge Accepted!

**Millard North Orchestras
In concert
Tuesday, April 4, 2017**
Mrs. Debbie Martinez – Orchestra Director



Millard North Orchestra ~ Tuesday, April 4, 2017
Program

Philharmonic, 5th hour

Mystic Rhapsody.....Susan H. Day
Ellie Siebe-Walles, guest conductor

Symphony for Strings.....Jeffrey Bishop
III. Reel

Front Porch Jam.....Dean Marshall, arr. Bob Phillips
Shanauk Datta, piano

Symphony Orchestra, 2nd hour

Jupiter, Bringer of Jollity from *The Planets*.....Gustav Holst, arr. Vernon Leidig

Bluegrass Fiddle Frenzy (feat. Scotland and Big Mon).....Bill Monroe, arr. Bob Phillips

Russian Sailor's Dance from *The Red Poppy*.....Reinhold Gliere, arr. Merle Isaac

Symphony Orchestra, 1st hour

Serenade for Strings.....Antonin Dvorák
I. Moderato

Adagio for Strings.....Samuel Barber

Selections from *Les Misérables*.....arr. Bob Lowden
Featuring *Do You Hear The People Sing?*; *I Dreamed a Dream*; *Master of the House* and
On My Own.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR SENIORS

It has been an honor and a privilege to work with the class of 2017! They are all truly talented and dedicated individuals who have contributed a great deal of time, talent, leadership, and expertise to the Millard North Orchestra. Best of luck to each one – it will be very different without you!

*Note – if seniors chose to submit bios, they appear below. Students are listed in alphabetical order by name – instrument – and number of years they have participated in MNHS Orchestra.

Zach Adams - cello - 4 years: Zach has been participating in orchestra since the 4th grade. Two cellos later, he is completing his senior year at Millard North and plans to attend UNO next year. He is considering majoring in either English or Graphic Design. In his spare time, he enjoys playing video games and hanging out with friends and his siblings.

Chris Belik - percussion - 3 years: Thank you for your time in orchestra!

Patrick Benda - violin - 4 years: Patrick couldn't think of anything good to say here, so he included a quote to make himself seem like a deep and profound person: "Doubt kills more dreams than failure ever will."

Isabel Chavez - violin - 4 years: Isabel has been involved in IB, NHS, SHH, Holiday Music Club, Alternative Styles Music Club, Band, and Diversity Club. She is thankful for her parents who have been a huge support to her and she hopes they continue to support her in her college life at UNL studying Biological Systems.

Paul Circo - trumpet - 3 years: Paul Circo has been playing the trumpet since fifth grade and has played with the orchestra since his sophomore year. Outside of band, Paul is involved in National Honors Society, Mustang Mentoring, and cross country. Paul is planning on attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where he will study electrical engineering.

T. J. Coleman - cello - 4 years: TJ Coleman has spent his high school career with an avid interest in the arts, from Orchestra to Drama to Creative Writing. He plans to study Political Science and Classical History in college, while maintaining his involvement in the Arts, especially Orchestra. He is hopeful about a future career in government and politics. He would like to thank his family and friends, especially his Mom, Sister, and Uncle Gary, for supporting him in his musical career.

Jackson Cordell - horn - 3 years: I have participated in cross country, marching and concert bands, track and field and a job in high school. I had a ton of fun doing everything, especially music. I'm so thankful for everything music has given me.

Denon DeTienne - trumpet - 3 years: Denon has participated in Colorguard 3 years, Winterguard for 2 years, Symphonic Band for 3 years, Marching Band for 3 years. He

plans to go to UNO to study Business. He would like to thank all of the wonderful music teachers and guard instructors.

Pranita Devaraju - violin - 4 years: Pranita has been involved in orchestra for 4 years and is also in band, the IB Diploma Program, and many clubs. She plans to pursue a music major with a pre-medicine track after high school. Pranita would like to thank her family and teachers, especially Mrs. Martinez, for supporting her in all her past and future endeavours!

Brianna Donahue - cello - 4 years: Thank you for your work and dedication!

Logan Everts - violin - 4 years: I can't wait to spend college in Florida. Thank you to my family for being there for me.

Erica Flores - flute - 3 years: Erica Flores has participated in orchestra winds for 3 years along with volleyball and involvement in many theatre productions. Erica would like to wish all of the seniors the best of luck at their final concert!

Shivani Gajre - clarinet - 3 years: Shivani has been participating in Orchestra Winds for 3 years alongside with band and golf. She wants to thank Mrs. Martinez for the amazing experiences and opportunities that were given to her!

Piyush Gayee - viola - 4 years: I am an IBDP student. After high school, I plan on pursuing chemistry or computer science. I am grateful for the fun experiences made possible by my fellow classmates and teachers.

Ian Ghanavati - percussion - 2 years: Thank you for your work in orchestra!

Jackson Hardin - trombone - 2 years: Throughout high school, Jackson Hardin has been involved in a range of activities including various music groups, peer tutoring, and AP classes. Jackson plans to go on to college and major in Actuarial Science/Mathematics. He would like to thank his parents for supporting him throughout high school, and his friends for being there!

Cassidy Jones - viola - 4 years: In high school I have been a part of show choir, swim team, Mustang Mentoring, National Honor Society, and All State Orchestra. I have loved my time at Millard North and especially in orchestra, and have grown in many ways. Though I will miss Millard North and all of the incredible people I have met, I am so excited to attend BYU this fall!

Alexandria Keen - violin - 4 years: Thank you for your time and dedication to orchestra!

Ruchir Khazanchi - percussion - 3 years: Thank you for your dedication and leadership!

Jason Kim - viola - 3 years: Jason is very grateful for the opportunities afforded him as a result of participating in orchestra. He especially appreciates Mrs. Martinez who, although holding high expectations, puts up with his shenanigans.

Megan Kim - violin - 4 years: Orchestra was such an incredible opportunity that opened up so many great things and opportunities to me! Thank you so much to everybody who has been involved in this amazing journey, especially Mrs. Martinez for teaching me pretty much everything i know about the violin today :)

Jared Klahn - bass - 4 years: Jared has played in Orchestra for all 4 years he has been in high school and has loved every minute of it. He would like to thank Mrs. Martinez for all her support and advice about his posture. After high school, Jared plans to attend UNL to study Mechanical Engineering.

Neil Koul - violin - 4 years: Neil has participated extensively in the programs offered at Millard North: from debate to International Baccalaureate. Neil will be taking his interests in Information Assurance to the University of North Carolina Charlotte after high school.

James Le - violin - 4 years: Orchestra has been one of my favorite activities throughout high school. I've been in orchestra, debate, and IBDP and they've all allowed me to enjoy high school. They're also what's given me the inspiration to wish to become a teacher and come back to Millard North.

Sheng-Jie Lim - bassoon and cello - 3 years: Other than Orchestra and Orchestra winds, Sheng-Jie has been an avid participant in Debate and Marching Band. As an IBDP candidate, he is proud yet regretful of the academic feats he has accomplished such as starting and finishing his Extended Essay 1 days before the eve of the due date. In the end, he will be continuing his journey through academia at the Jeffrey Raikes School of Computer Science and Business Management next fall.

LeeAnna Lui - violin - 4 years: At Millard North, LeeAnna is in IBDP, Diversity Club, NHS, SHH, Band, and Orchestra. LeeAnna would like to thank her teachers and friends for their constant support and encouragement throughout the years. A special shoutout to her family, who listened to 12 years of squeaks and off-key tunes and helped her find her song.

Minna Martin - bass clarinet - 2 years: Minna has been in band for 8 years, starting out as a clarinet player then switching to bass clarinet her freshman year. She plans to continue playing music in college at UNO.

Niamh McDonnell - cello - 4 years: Thank you for your dedication and effort!

John David Mezger - cello - 4 years: J. D. has been in band and orchestra for four years. Besides participating in school music programs, he has discovered a passion for cymbals,

dedicating his talents to play with groups like Dojo and Pioneer. Next year, he plans to move to Chicago and continue honing his craft.

Amy Nelson - clarinet - 3 years: This year I had the joy of being selected drum major for the marching band alongside three others. My plans for next year include going to Northwest Missouri State to pursue Christian Counseling, and continuing my passion of photography.

Rachel Nielsen - clarinet - 3 years: Rachel has enjoyed being a part of both band and orchestra throughout high school. She served as drum major of the marching band her junior and senior year and was involved in musicals both on stage and in the pit orchestra. She plans on studying at UNL and playing in the Cornhusker Marching next fall.

Varun Noronha - violin - 4 years: Varun has also enjoyed participating in forensics, tennis, chess, and Spanish Honor Society at Millard North. He will be attending the University of California, Berkeley in the fall. He would like to thank his parents, Mrs. Martinez, and all his friends in orchestra for their support.

Anirudh Patchipulusu - violin - 3 years: Thank you for your time and dedication to orchestra!

Afrah Rasheed - violin - 4 years: Afrah participated in forensics, NHS, and many clubs like FCCLA, aMNesty and HOSA. She plans to pursue psychology or neuroscience after high school. She would like to thank her parents for supporting her, her orchestra peers for accepting her, and Mrs. Martinez for being an incredible orchestra mom.

Alex Reilly - trumpet and cello - 4 years: Alex has been a member of the Millard North orchestra for four years; he played cello for three years and trumpet for two years. As an active member of the school's music department, he has also participated in Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, and Show Band. Alex plans to play in marching band at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln while studying Business Administration. He would like to thank all of his music teachers who have influenced him over the years.

Matt Sernett - trombone - 2 years: I participate in band, cross country, and national honor society. I plan on attending University of Nebraska Lincoln in the fall.

Jia Yu Shao - violin - 4 years: I chose the violin because I was too short to play the tuba. Now I'm tall enough but I probably wouldn't change instruments.

Rizwan Siddiqui - cello - 4 years: Rizwan hopes to enter the health science field at Creighton and play a college cello. He sends a thank you to his family and all of his orchestra teachers.

Haley Sigler - bass - 4 years: Haley has played the Bass since freshman year. She would like to thank her parents, grandparents, and Mrs. Martinez.

Josie Slovut - violin - 4 years: Josie has played violin for eight years. While in high school, she has participated in a number of activities including orchestra and debate team. She has also found the secret to eternal life, discovered thirty-five planets, and served as president of nine thousand internationally recognized countries. All of this is one hundred percent true. Josie would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for supporting her.

Chase Stokes - trumpet - 2 years: Chase Stokes is a senior at Millard North and plans to attend Northwestern University in the coming fall. Along with his work in the IB Diploma Program, Chase has spent 3 years performing with Millard North Wind Symphony and Show Band. He would like to thank his mentors within the music programs as well as his teachers, friends, and parents who have supported him throughout his high school career.

Madelynn Stuart - violin - 4 years: Throughout her high school career, Madelynn has also participated in Diversity Club, National Honors Society, and Spanish Honors Society. Outside of school, she is also active in her church youth group, has two jobs, and loves to go for a run. After high school, Madelynn plans to attend the University of Kansas to pursue a degree in history, though she does plan on continuing music in some aspect, and will hopefully write a book someday. She'd like to thank her parents and her friends for putting up with her as well as sticking with her, and she sends her love. Overall, orchestra at Millard North has been an experience that she has learned from and will never forget.

Addisson Stugart - viola - 4 years: Addisson has participated in Orchestra, Debate while at Millard North High School. Upon graduation, she plans to continue working as a teacher with the OCM Sprouts program and will attend UNO in the fall.

Chloe Tesch - violin - 4 years: Chloe has successfully avoided most high school activities other than orchestra but has loved every second of it. Chloe plans to attend college but isn't quite sure where yet as she is really good at making last minute decisions. She would like to thank her two fish, Fat Pat and Lobo, for enduring her violin practice, as well her parents and family for encouraging and supporting music.

Doug Thoms - cello - 4 years: Thank you for your time and dedication to orchestra!

Matthew Townsend - cello and horn - 4 years: Matthew has been involved in orchestra all four years, playing cello for three years and french horn for two. Matthew also takes part in Spanish Honor Society, National Honor Society, the IB Program and is an Eagle Scout. Matthew plans on going to college to study linguistics and foreign language and dreams of traveling the world and observing bears in their natural habitat.

Skylar Underwood - clarinet - 1 year: Skylar has participated in band at MN for 1 year. She plans on going to Iowa State next year. She would like to thank her parents and family teachers for supporting her throughout everything. We are so happy Skylar was in MN Orchestra!

Kristin Utsch - cello - 1 year: For three years, I attended Edmond Memorial High School in Oklahoma, where I was on the varsity swim team and cross country team and played in the symphonic orchestra. I attended Millard North for my senior year and plan to go to Brigham Young University Provo starting June 2017.

Betty Wang - violin - 4 years: Betty has participated in OAYO, All-State Orchestra, and the Omaha Symphony's Christmas Celebration. Besides her many musical activities, she has also competed as a figure skater, and is a member of Millard North's National Honor Society. She plans to attend Boston University in the fall.

Renée Wehrle - violin - 4 years: Renee has been playing violin for 11 years and studies outside of school at Omaha Conservatory of Music with Ruth Meints. In addition to playing violin, she is a two-time state debate champion and has qualified to seven national debate tournaments. Renee is still deciding where she will study violin performance and musicology, having been accepted in various programs including University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Chicago, Belmont University, Sarah Lawrence, UNO and others. Renee would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for their support.

Helen Whetstine - violin - 4 years: Helen is involved actively in the Spanish Honor Society and the Slam Poetry Club as the president of both organizations. She is a student in the IB Diploma Program. Next year, she will attend Georgetown University in the School of Foreign Service. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her throughout high school!

Evan Wohlers - viola - 4 years: Evan Wohlers has been involved in orchestra at Millard North since freshman year and has played the viola since fourth grade. He is also involved in theatre, choir, show choir, National Honor Society, the Mustang Mentoring Program, the Senior Kitaki Kid Program at YMCA Camp Kitaki, and is an Eagle scout. He would like to wish all the best to Mrs. Martinez and the MN Orchestra program going forward.

Anton Yavid - viola - 4 years: In high school I've learned that you have to be Involved. While I was in orchestra i was also in soccer. I made a lot of friends which i would have never thought of making before. After high school I'm going to UNO to study business. I would like to thank Mrs. Martinez for an amazing 4 years of playing great music, making friends and learning.

Christa Yong - piano - 1 year: Besides orchestra, I am in multiple other extracurricular activities and programs including the International Baccalaureate, show choir, club dance,

and many other clubs. I hope to become an international nurse specializing in pediatrics. I cannot wait to see what the future holds and I'm excited to adventure the world. I want to thank my family, friends, and God for all they have done to prepare me for the future!

Christina Youn - violin - 4 years: Christina has been a part of the Millard North orchestra for all four years of high school. In her free time, she enjoys playing tennis, playing piano, and sleeping. In the fall of 2017, Christina will be attending the University of Notre Dame.

Thank You Seniors!

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Date	Time	Event	Location
4-19 thru 4-22	TBD	District Music Contest	Gretna HS
5-11	5 PM	MN Music Awards Night & Dessert Reception	Auditorium & 1520
5-6	TBA	ASTA Young Orch. Festival (req. 9 th grade only)	Millard South HS
5-6	2 PM	MN Orch performs in the Oakview Mall Food Court (req. for 12 th grade and winds/percussion/selected 9-11 grade strings)	Oakview Mall
5-27	10 AM	MN Orch performs at Graduation	Baxter Arena

Philharmonic Orchestra

Violin A

Aishwa Amin
Timerra Chisham
Brandon Gardner
Danielle Glasgow
Robyn Handley
Kelley Kim*1
Vasavi Kotipalli
Sarah Lee
Ryan Mendez*
Teghan Mottl
Carly Priest
Owen Quirino
Ramya Rengarajan
Gracie Schweers*
Maggie Turner
Lorin Utsch
Elaine Whetstine
Casey Wilkinson
Rebecca Wright

1 = All State Orchestra
* = Section Leader
Team

Violin B

Teju Boinpally*
Shreya Chada
Jamison Dresser
Liyang Guo
Justice Kahler
Rianna Kopcho *
Cole Lao
Jaina Olari
Ian Parmley
Zoë Petersen
Niheala Ponnatha
Anjali Pullabhotla
Kenzie Spigner
Juhi Thakker *
Megan Townsend
Emily Vaiz
Vaughn Purcell
Felicia Xiong

Viola

Jax Bruns
Megan Case
Mandy Eason
Chase Frederick
Marcus Keen
Jonathon Keller
Michelle Kim
Cara Lund *
Shivani Mudhelli*
Kaedyn Niemeyer
Katie Plagge
Ellie Siebe-Walles
Addison Williams*

Cello

Marissa Clark
Logan Dunlop *
Julia Loneman
Naomi Martinez
A. J. Newsome
Carl Olson
Alec Randazzo
Anders Rosoy
Orion Shnyder
Abby Siebe-Walles *
Ceci Stevens
Amelia Tesch
Elle Waterhouse
Willow Westerman
Ella Williams *

Bass

Caden Bair
Shaunak Datta
Blake Henderson-Bryant
Bryce Herrington
Isaac Wardyn

1st Hour Symphony Orchestra

Violin I

Isabel Chavez
Rachel Folts
Mary Johnson
Vishnu Menon 1
Shae Monaghan 1
Austin Nguyen 1
Oliver Niu
Varun Noronha
Heather Slovut
Josie Slovut
George Varghese * 1
Betty Wang * 1
Helen Whetstine 1
Kennedy Wolfe
Christina Youn
Jeff Zhao

Bass

Daniel Bartolomei
Brandon Collins
Jared Klahn
Chloe Muessigmann
Noah Mussman
Jackson Taylor

Flute

Erica Flores 2
Lauren Qiu 2
Emma Ulrich 2
Bridget Hartung 2
Rena Li 1

Clarinet

Amy Nelson
Sarah Clark
Rachel Nielsen
Shivani Gajre

* = Section Leader
1 = All State Orchestra
2 = All State Band
3 = All State Choir
4 = UNO Honor Orchestra

Violin II

Amrit Ammanamanchi
Patrick Benda
Pranita Devaraju *
Christopher He
Megan Kim
Kavya Krishnan
James Le
Vy Le
LeeAnna Lui
Ethan McDermott
Elizabeth Nielsen
Afra Rasheed 4
Tasha Rustam
Aashka Sindhav
Palak Singh
Maddie Stuart
Pranav Viswanathan
Renee Wehrle * 1
Shreya Yadav
Leily Zhu

Piano

Christa Yong

Bass Clarinet

Minna Martin

Bassoon

Sheng-Jie Lim
Hunter Holoubek

Horn

Matthew Townsend
Dalin Plog 1
Zoe Cook
Jackson Cordell

Trumpet

Chase Stokes
Gracie Fagan 2
Alex Reilly
Paul Circo

Viola

Ashley Carlson
Piyush Gayee
Alyssa Jarabek * 3
Cassidy Jones 1
Emily Juno
Jason Kim 1
Rohit Kumar
Fianna Long-Bulduc
Quincey Loveridge
Addisson Stugart * 1
Will Talbot
Alexa Wildy
Evan Wohlers 3

Cello

Abbey Braak
T. J. Coleman
Mitchell Feagins 4
Gabby Hiatt
Elizabeth Hill *
Zach Klimowicz
Sheng-Jie Lim
John-David Mezger
Charlie Peng
Chella Raghavan
Kristin Utsch
Kirsten Wandrey
Jamie Youn * 1

Trombone

Jackson Hardin 1
Charlie Maas 2
Matt Sernett

Tuba

Lainy Blaker

Percussion

Isaac Dorenkamp
Campbell Haasch
Ruchir Khazanchi 3
Josh Sabata

2nd Hour Symphony Orchestra

Violin A

Damien Alexander
Ethan Chen * 1
Grace Dunbar
Logan Everts
Kira Holt
Neil Koul *
Miranda McDaniel
Ashlyn Mendoza
McKenzie Nelson
Anjali Nooka
Maddie Ryan
Jia Yu Shao *
Maleigha Warwick
Laurel Westerman

Flute

Vaishnavi Menon
Brianna Kamrath
Isabelle Lu
Brie Murphy
Lauren Popp
Nicole Connolly

Oboe

Mackenzie Reed
Madeline Dickey
Joelle Rittershouse
Kristiana Young

Clarinet

Skylar Underwood
Bridget Baker
Mary Kate Huser
Jill Bone

*=Orchestra Section Leader
Team
1 = All State Orchestra
2 = All State Band
3 = All State Choir

Violin B

T. J. Beacham
Lainy Blaker
Lizzy Eason
Stephannie Garcia
Matthew Halbur *
Makenzi Hawk
Aditi Jain
Alexandria Keen
Grace Klinefelter
Samantha Lu
Rylen Neubauer
Anirudh Patchipulusu
Natalie Salama
Mia Schaeppi
Aarun Srinivas
Chloe Tesch *
Srikar Yallala

Viola

Austin Infante * 3
Justin Le
Austin Nilius
Tristan Proulx-Morin
Eden Quirino
MJ Waterhouse
Ella Waters
Anton Yavid *

Bassoon

Caspar Muessigmann

Horn

Olivia Dick
Ben Marchand

Trumpet

Daniel Liebsack
Piper Smith
Denon DeTienne
Brandon Collins
Brad Theis

Cello

Zach Adams
Liam Anderson
Kaitie Beccard *
Brianna Donahue *
Xander Downs *
Christian Fritz *
Asher Jerald-Mends
Macy Keiser
Niamh McDonnell
Isaac Osmanson
Sean Ryan
Rizwan Siddiqui
Doug Thoms
Kelson Welker

Bass

Karly Beglin
Kieffer Holder
Cooper Rohde
Adam Rutherford
Haley Sigler

Trombone

Zach Krausman
Ethan Fischer
Nick Tortorilla
Nithya Mudgapalli
Margaret Coughlin

Tuba

Kasey Dresser
James Cope

Percussion

Autumn Coe
Spencer Hession
Emily Kitchen
Naushil Sridhar