# Relaxing (not taxing:)

Performed by Millard North's Philharmonic Orchestra Symphony Orchestra Chamber Orchestra Mrs. Debbie Martinez, Orchestra Director Ms. Katelyn Johnson





Tuesday, April 15, 2025 7:00 p.m. MNHS Auditorium

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#### Philharmonic Orchestra

A Pirate's Voyage

Soloists: Advaith Namasivayam and Auspy Li, violin; Journey Siedlik, cello

Jupiter (from *The Planets*)

Let It Go (from *Frozen*) Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, arr. Larry Moore Isaac Schade, drum set; Advaith Namasivayam, piano

#### Symphony Orchestra

Farandole (from *L'Arlesienne Suite No. 2*)

Music from La La Land Justin Hurwitz, arr. Robert Longfield Soloists: Jeremiah Blackwell and Evan Sun, violin; Isaac Schade, drum set

Pirates of the Caribbean Medley (from Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl) Soloist: Martin Porter, cello

#### Presentation of Orchestra Seniors and their Parents/Guardians

#### Chamber Orchestra

Serenade for Strings in E, Op. 22

Moderato Ι. Soloists: Kathleen Fleming and Xander Meade, cello

October Eric Whitacre. scored Paul Lavender Soloists: Anna Suh, viola; Kathleen Fleming, cello; Isabella Zhang and Caelestis Corrigan, violin

Subterranean Dialogues

Bass Section Feature ~ Grant Herrington, Cee-Cee Soderlin, Lucy Cho

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Antonín Dvořák

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Georges Bizet, arr. Merle J. Isaac

Gustav Holst, arr. John Caponegro

Klaus Badlet, arr. Ted Ricketts

# Philharmonic Orchestra

# Violin I

Niko Berry Advithi Hoskot Ramars Grace Kim Agastya Kommieni Auspy Li Srihith Madduri Shwetha Nair Advaith Namasivayam Jade Nielsen John Reimers Sophie Santhosh Kumar Ketan Valluru Mythili Venkatesh Xypris Vongrassamy

### Violin II

Mehnaz Abdul Majeeth Lavi Ambicapathy Shreeya Etigi James Freestone Austin Haifley Emma Hatfield-Carter Sarah Jain Bridgette Konecky Mukund Mandalasri Maddie McKevitt Tanvi More Medhasa Neelamraju Akshara Prathapa Amudha Ramalingam Ajit Tadiparthi

# Viola

Greyson Budd Sarah Flaugh Walden Fry Anabelle Heller Jonas Jacobsen Kealey Kenny Nicole Louthan Phoebe Meade Paige Meduna Moyo Ogun Haneesha Rachumalla Alex Sobczyk Sydney Smith Hrishi Vodnala Harshith Yelle

# Cello

Rahmah Akindele Lily Bredenkamp Lauren Connolly Phoebe McIntire Clayton Pennell Elijah Robinson Journey Siedlik Maren Triemart

# Bass

Cody Austin Connor Eilers Cale Hemje Van Magnuson Bhavana Sarode Noelle Um

# Welcome!

We're glad you're here. We have worked hard in preparation for this performance. Out of respect for our musicians, please observe the following guidelines:

- Ringers set to silent or off
- No talking while playing
- Refrain from flash photography during performance
- If you need to leave and come back during the concert, do so in between selections.

Thank you and enjoy the show!

#### Symphony Orchestra

#### Violin I

Pratyush Arunprasad Grace Gao Andy Hsi Ella Jonas Aarva Khobare Emma Larsen Eliana Mazzawi Lisette Mingo Khang Nguyen Lyndon Pantos Pranavi Prakash Charlotte Slimp Evan Sun Sujith Tadikonda Aarushi Volvoicar Claire Wells Zoey Wilson Matthew Wood

#### Flute

Connie Gao Gautham Chetty Sarah Robey Joyce Guo Alyssa Billington

#### Oboe

Helen Balvanz Zoie Bergmeier

#### Clarinet

Walden Fry Julia Gannon Saashvi Nayakwadi Cohen Sullivan

Bass Clarinet Violet Bassett

#### **"Bassoon"** Garrett Schultz

#### Violin II

Katie Alloway **Gillian Asche** Jeremiah Blackwell Mady Bloomquist Dominic Cadwallader Adrija Chatterjee Ethan Edwards **Diamond Haroun** Aditya Mitra Prajwal Mohan Onvancha Mongare Savannah Parker Adam Rezac-Elgohary Mak Rhode Lauren Ross Akshara Seeram Sudheesh Sriram Saatvik Thutika Aiden Walter Jacob Wang

#### Viola

Lilah Ferguson Katie Franke Elise Funk Neah George Joyce Guo Chloe Hahn Kyle Huser Suthej Kashyap Emercyn Koski Sree Kuracha Avery Nielsen Tabitha Peterson **Emaline Richter** Atreyu Riddle Hailey Slauter Nick Thor Alex Titus

#### Horn

Brandon Raffel Rowan Lawrence Sierra Roudebush

#### Cello

Violet Basset Grace Bearinger Yusuf Cortez Julia Gannon Ethan George Alaina Hutchinson Isaiah Jacobson **Caleb** Jones Jonas Judalena Israel Kohles Sasha Makarov Sahasra Mallina **Charlie McWilliams** Soham Mukherjee Sophia Naber Parker Neville Martin Porter Kaitlyn Robey Austin Ruhter Jersey Stark

#### Bass

Pavan Athota J.C. Browne Brayden Higgins Forrest Hill Sione Mihm

#### Trumpet

Natalia Martinez Maddox Sullivan Moyo Ogun

#### Trombone

Ethan Fang Wyatt Holiday Avery Nielsen Oliver Mann

#### Tuba

Aydyn Mason Jack Greening

#### Percussion

Bret Selman Braydon Brown

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Chamber Orchestra

#### Violin I

Ryan Dong Nolan Dunlop George Ji Ava Kosse Lucy Liu Jessica Lu Rachel Ma Jackson Mu Saara Mukherjee Calista Nelson Angela Qi Sophie Quarles Isabella Zhang

#### Violin II

Viola

April Collins Caelestis Corrigan Anvitha Dudipala Austin Gong AJ Johnson Brendon Mason Thomas McMahon Gauri Nair Eunha Ok Maya Pantos Marlee Purcell Abhinav Sarode Aryav Shakya Lyra Sun Katie Sykora Keerthana Vinod

Brady Bredenkamp

Elise Cherek

Adelle Fry

Anna Suh

Olive Douglas

Christian Jordan Joslynn Martin Mrittika Mukherjee Ridhvi Nayakwadi Draven Stevenson

#### Cello

Lucas Feng Kathleen Fleming Luke Glasgow Raffi Huckins Maggie Lindner Marc Louthan Xander Meade Ethan Sarkar Sharish Shapkota Clara Welker

Bass

Lucy Cho Grant Herrington Cee-Cee Soderlin

# Upcoming Events:

4-23	5-9 PM (7:20 PM Perform)	District Music Contest (large ensemble competition required for 1st hour)	MWHS Auditorium
4-26	8:00 AM- 1:00 PM	District Music Contest Solo and Small Ensemble Competition (selected students/assigned times)	MNHS
5-1 thru 5-3	7 PM	MN Musical <i>Mean Girls</i> (students in cast/crew/pit orchestra)	MNHS Auditorium
5-4	2 PM	MN Musical <i>Mean Girls</i> (students in cast/crew/pit orchestra)	MNHS Auditorium
5-10	7 AM-Noon	ASTA Young Orch. Festival (req. 9 <sup>th</sup> grade only)	Millard South HS
5-10	1 PM	MN Orch Community Performance/Carnival (required for seniors)	MNHS Auditorium & Cafeteria
5-24	5 PM	MN Orch performs at Graduation (required for 1st, 2nd, and 6th hour orchestras)	Baxter Arena
7-7 thru 7-11	6-9 PM	MPS Upper Level Orchestra Camp (incoming grades 9-12 for 2024-25 school year)	MNHS
7-12	11 AM-1 PM	MPS Upper Level Orchestra Leadership Seminar	TBD

# A TRIBUTE TO OUR SENIORS

It has been an honor and a privilege to work with the class of 2025! They have been a fun-loving and hard-working class, and it's been amazing to see their progress these past four years. Best of luck to each one – you have made a positive impact and we will miss you!

\*Note Students are listed in alphabetical order by name – instrument – and number of years they have participated in MNHS Orchestra.

**Gillian Asche - Violin - 4 years:** I plan to go to UNK after high school, where I will be majoring in math. I also have cherished the people and the environment orchestra has brought me throughout high school.

**Brady Bredenkamp - Viola - 4 years:** Brady has been in orchestra all four years of high school; Freshman ensemble and Chamber Orchestra. Brady will go to California State University: Monterey Bay this August to study Marine Science and pursue a minor in something artistic with hope of creating a comic book series in the near or far future. Brady would like to thank his parents for coming to all the concerts they could, providing for instrument tune-ups and replacements over the years, as well as his little sister for putting up with following in his footsteps in orchestra. He'd also like to thank all the conductors, teachers, and symphony members over the years that pushed him to continue in music throughout high school and beyond.

**Elise Cherek - Viola - 4 years:** Throughout high school, I've been involved in music, playing both the viola in orchestra and the alto sax in band. I've also played soccer and curling, and had the opportunity to serve as a state officer for HOSA-Future Health Professionals. In college, I plan to continue playing the viola, curling, and staying involved in HOSA. I will be majoring in physics on the pre-med track, with the hope of becoming an oncologist in the future. I want to thank my parents for supporting everything I've been involved in and my sister for making me join orchestra in the first place.

**Lucy Cho - Bass - 4 years:** Other than MN Orchestra, Lucy is the captain of the varsity tennis team, a student in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, and an officer of National Honor Society. She intends to study chemistry this fall at Vanderbilt University. She would like to thank Mrs. Martinez for being patient with her and her peers for 4 amazing years in MN Orchestra!

**Caelestis Corrigan - Violin - 4 years:** I came to high school after being homeschooled for two years, and it was a big adjustment. Everyone already knew everyone and I was all alone, but orchestra helped me make friends I'll never forget, and playing an instrument has been able to break up some of the monotony of other schoolwork.

**Olive Douglas - Viola - 4 years:** Olive has been in orchestra since she was in fourth grade, and has been a dancer since she was three. After graduation, she is going to study chemistry at UNL.

Lucas Feng - Cello - 4 years: I am a part of the State Varsity swim program and IB program.

**Kathleen Fleming - Cello - 4 years:** I have been a part of the orchestra for four years. Outside of school I participate in various activities and clubs, including Science Olympiad, Latin Honors Society, chamber music, and other orchestras, and I intend to pursue a career in medicine after high school. I would like to thank my parents and siblings for putting up with me carting my cello around everywhere, no matter how inconvenient it got.

Adelle Fry - Viola - 4 years: I've played varsity volleyball, been involved in art and world language, and most importantly become slightly better at viola at Millard North. I would like to thank my family, Olive Douglas for being the best stand partner ever, Anna Suh for teaching me the music, and my brother Walden Fry for always carrying the shared viola home. I plan to attend Georgia Tech to major in Biomedical Engineering and minor in Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

**Ethan George - Cello - 4 years:** I participated in Track for two years and am hoping to compete in state. I plan to attend UNO to study business. I'd like to give thanks to my mom for forcing me to play the cello for all my life.

**Luke Glasgow - Cello - 4 years:** I've done about everything you can in high school: varsity sports, numerous clubs with leadership positions, won state titles in HOSA and DECA, lifted at the JCC, and now work as a CNA at Immanuel Hospital. I plan to serve a two-year mission with the LDS Church in Seoul, South Korea, in the Korean language, then major in Chemical Engineering on the Premed track at BYU Provo. Shout out to my Mom for making me start playing the Cello in 8th Grade.

**Paul Goodson - Bass Clarinet - 3 years:** I have participated in band for the last 4 years, and orchestra for the last 3. I have Mr. Placek to thank for all those years being enjoyable. I intend to major in History at UNO after graduation.

**Grant Herrington - Bass - 4 years:** Grant enjoys spending time with friends and taking long walks on the beach at sunset. He plans on majoring in math in the fall.

**Kyle Huser - Viola - 4 years:** I've participated in orchestra since the 4th grade. I was a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist, and I got a 36 on the ACT. I will be attending UNO in the fall and will be majoring in Architectural Engineering.

**George Ji - Violin - 4 years:** Participated in the MNHS Orchestra and NMEA All-State Orchestra. Shoutout to my parents, brothers, friends, and teachers.

**Ella Jonas - Violin - 4 years:** Hi, I'm Ella Jonas. I've been in the Millard North Orchestra for four years! I've also been involved in Cross Country, Track, NHS, and Mustang Mentoring. I plan on going to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the Fall.

**Jakob Kaiser - Bass - 2 years:** Jakob has been in orchestra for 2 years. He would like to thank Mr. Glynn for helping him put words to music and Mr. Jacobi (Harvey Oaks) for inspiring his love for music.

**Emercyn Koski - Viola - 4 years:** Emercyn has been playing the viola for 8 years and is proud to have been a part of the Millard North Orchestra for the last 4. Outside of orchestra she's been involved in theater, forensics, show choir, National Honors Society, and the Mustang Mentor Program. She feels incredibly blessed to have been able to meet some of her best friends through orchestra and would like to give special shout outs to Lauren, Zoey, Calista, Hailey, and her viola section. She cannot thank Mrs. Martinez, her parents, and grandparents enough for the incredible support they've given her in orchestra through the years.

**Kevin Lozano - Bass Trombone - 4 years:** I have been included in many of the school's music groups, including the Wind Ensemble, Orchestra Winds, Insanity, and the Mean Girls Musical. Alongside this I have also been involved in some clubs, Spanish Club, SAGA, Live Performing Arts Club, and the D&D club. After high school I plan to major in Music Education with a focus on bass trombone and my instrument. I would like to shout out Mr. Placek for always being there for me and helping me when he sees practice and make mistakes.

**Jessica Lu - Violin - 4 years:** In her high school career, Jessica has loved taking part in Orchestra. Her favorite memory has to be performing at the Heartland Ice Rink with Live Performing Arts Club or this year's All-State! Outside of orchestra, Jessica is a member of the Varsity Girls' Tennis team, National Honor Society officer, Spanish Honor Society, and IB Diploma Programme.

**Rachel Ma - Violin - 4 years:** Rachel Ma has been a member of the MNHS orchestra since freshman year. She plans to pursue a pre-med track at UNO while continuing with her love of music.

**Brendon Mason - Violin - 4 years:** Besides orchestra, I have also been involved in National Honor Society, Chess Club, French Club, and History Club. I will be attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha to double major in Music and Biology and minor in French, with the goal of becoming a pediatrician. I would like to thank my orchestra teachers Mrs. Martinez and Mrs. Hinz (elementary and middle school); thank you to my dad, mom, brother, sister, and grandma for their unwavering support and guidance throughout the years.

Maddie McCartney - Clarinet - 3 years: Welcome to the orchestra concert! I have been in orchestra winds for 3 years now. In addition to orchestra, I am also involved in band, pit orchestra, show band, NHS, SHH, and the IB Program. I will be attending Creighton in the fall for biochemistry on the pre-med track. While I am not planning on majoring in music, I plan on pursuing music in various collegiate and community ensembles. Enjoy the concert!

**Mrittika Mukherjee - Viola - 4 years:** Alongside being in orchestra for all 4 years of high school, I've also been involved with slam poetry, Girl Up, and Women in STEM during my time at Millard North. After I graduate, I'm heading to the University of Kansas to study architecture. Thank you so much to my parents, my brother, and my friends for making my 4 years here just a little more bearable!

**Calista Nelson - Violin & Flute - 4 years:** Throughout high school, Calista has been much involved in both band and orchestra all four years. After she graduates, she plans on continuing her music education at the University of South Dakota.

Maya Pantos - Violin - 4 years: Hi! I am Maya Pantos. MN Orchestra is an excellent and extremely involved activity. While my skills as a violinist and music student have massively improved, my participation in MN Orchestra has also provided me with a closely connected community with a shared goal: to make music!

**Lyndon Pantos - Violin - 4 years:** I've done orchestra all throughout the 4 years of my highschool year, while also doing forensics for 2 years of my school year. Mrs. Martinez helped me become a great person in the music sense as well as a person. My family has always been there for me and helped me in every way. I'm excited to attend UNL for anthropology and continue my music career through electronic and guitar making.

**Tabitha Peterson - Viola - 4 years:** Tabitha is planning on attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha for her pre-veterinary studies, she is still undecided on vet school. She has participated in the orchestra program for all 4 years of high school.

**Brandon Raffel - Horn - 3 years:** I have been playing trumpet and French horn since 6th grade. I am pursuing Mechanical Engineering at South Dakota State University and plan to continue with their marching band. My favorite orchestra winds memory was when I realized that I won't have to play Pomp and circumstance again! You rock Mrs. Martinez! Thank you.

Atreyu Riddle - Viola - 3 years: I'd rate orchestra an 8.6/10 on yelp. Would take it again.

**Lauren Ross - Violin - 4 years:** After high school I plan to go to UNL for interior design. I would like to thank Mrs. Pfiefer and Mrs. Martinez for encouraging me throughout high school and making school a little less insufferable. Also thanks to my parents for everything they have done for me and will continue to do.

**Sharish Shapkota - Cello - 4 years:** Throughout high school, Sharish has been involved in Millard North Broadcasting, organized Intramural Sport Tournaments, and Forensics. He plans to go through undergraduate college and to medical school.

Hailey Slauter - Viola - 4 years: During my high school career, I was on the honor roll all 4 years. I was also an active member in Orchestra, Choir, and a member of the Varsity Women's Show Choir. After high school, I plan to pursue a Bachelors degree in either Multi-Specialty or Cardiovascular Sonography.

Liam Triemart - Trumpet - 3 years: I have been involved in a ton of music all throughout high school and I've had a blast doing it! Music is the most important thing to me, and I am very grateful to have been a part of it all. I plan to major in music at Creighton University next August and I aspire to march drum corps in the future.

**Keerthana Vinod - Violin - 4 years:** Orchestra has been a part of my life since the third grade, and I am proud to have spent my 10th year creating music with the MNHS orchestra. Apart from orchestra, I am also involved with Forensics, lead a Women in STEM Club, and plan to major in computer science in the near future. I'd like to give a big shout out to my family and friends for supporting me through the whirlwind that has been these last 4 years!

**Aarushi Volvoicar - Violin - 4 years:** Aarushi Volvoicar has been a dedicated violinist since the 4th grade, honing their craft through years of passion and practice. She is deeply grateful to her parents and music teachers for their unwavering support throughout her musical journey. Outside of music, she is academically involved in the International Baccalaureate Program, competes in Forensics Competitive Speech, and serves as co-president of the Women in STEM club.

**Zoey Wilson - Violin -** After high school I plan on attending Capital Beauty and get my cosmetology license. I'm thankful for all the opportunities I have gotten through my high school career.

**Isabella Zhang - Violin -** Isabella is planning on majoring in neuroscience at Columbia University in the fall and will hopefully bring her instrument to campus.