

# MY SO



## Concert Schedule 2019-2020 Season



MYSO members represent 20 different Chicagoland communities, 18 high schools, 3 middle schools, as well as Lewis University and Joliet Junior College. Our members range from 12 to 21 years of age. They come from diverse backgrounds but share the love of music. Membership is based solely on audition.

### **Wednesday, October 23, 2019 | 7:30pm**

St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall  
Lewis University in Romeoville, IL  
No Admission Fee

### **Sunday, October 27, 2019 | 4:00pm**

Fine Arts Auditorium  
Joliet Junior College in Joliet, IL  
Admission: \$10 cash at door

### **Wednesday, March 4, 2020 | 7:30pm**

St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall  
Lewis University in Romeoville, IL  
No Admission Fee

### **Sunday, March 15, 2020 | 4:00pm**

Fine Arts Auditorium  
Joliet Junior College in Joliet, IL  
Admission: \$10 cash at door

### **Wednesday, May 6, 2020 | 7:30pm**

St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall  
Lewis University in Romeoville, IL  
No Admission Fee

### **Thursday, June 4, 2020 | 6:30pm**

Outdoor Concert on the Hill  
Bicentennial Park in Joliet, IL  
Free and open to the public

REHEARSALS take place on Wednesdays from 6-8:30pm during the school year at Ives Hall, located on the 2nd floor of the Oremus Fine Arts Building, Lewis University, Route 53, Romeoville.

AUDITIONS are held before the start of each season. All new and returning musicians are expected to audition for a fee of \$25 per musician. Auditions will be held on the evenings of August 21 and 28, 2019. Audition excerpts can be found at [www.mysomusic.org](http://www.mysomusic.org). Audition times can be scheduled by emailing [MYSOExecutiveDirector@gmail.com](mailto:MYSOExecutiveDirector@gmail.com).

MEMBERSHIP: Once accepted into MYSO, members pay a membership fee of \$285 per member for the year and \$100 for tickets per family. Each family is given a packet of 6 tickets for each of the ticketed concerts. There is a discount for siblings in the orchestra. Each year everyone returns to re-audition for placement in the orchestra.



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## ABOUT MAESTRO SISK

Lawrence Sisk has served as Music Director of MYSO since 1991, conducting over 170 concerts. He is a Professor of Music at Lewis University.

He holds a PhD in historical musicology from Northwestern University, where he studied orchestral conducting with Maestro Frederick Ockwell.

While Dr. Sisk has a special affinity for Russian music, his conducting repertoire includes everything from Renaissance music to music of living composers. He has conducted the world premieres of many new compositions, including works by faculty colleagues and music composed by MYSO players.

## WHY MYSO?

"This has been a phenomenal experience for my children. They have grown musically by leaps and bounds!"  
-Pat Wolf, Parent

"Dr. Sisk introduced us to repertoire a typical youth orchestra would not touch. He challenged me to play at my best and was a motivational figure."  
- Stefan L. Smith, Former MYSO Violist;  
Music Graduate of DePaul University

"Dr. Sisk's influence on me has been to inspire lifelong study and constant striving to better myself as a musician."  
- Andrew Nogal, Former MYSO Oboist;  
Music Graduate of Northwestern

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Symphony Orchestra



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