RICHMOND SYMPHONY

SCHOOL OF MUSIC

EDUCATION PROGRAMS



Changing lives through the power of music.

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FIRST ENCOUNTERS

Concerts & School Visits for First Timers & Young Learners

Discovery Concerts

School-day concerts for school groups

Fall: Grades 3-8
Spring: Grades Pre K-3

Symphony Storytime

Live music, stories, and fun at local libraries for young children and families (Infant - Middle School)
FREE

Educational Ensembles

Professional musicians visit elementary schools to inspire and engage young students through live music.



HANDS ON LEARNING

For Students Seeking
Extra-Curricular Music Education

Youth Orchestra Program (YOP)

Five Ensembles for students of all levels to grow as musicians and perform thoughout the year.

Future Music Educators Symposium (FMES)

An 8-week virtual mentorship experience for high students exploring careers in music education.

Young Composers Seminar

A creative program for young composers to learn, create, and have their music performed by professsional musicians.

Private Lessons

We connect families with Richmond Symphony musicians who teach privately.

FIND INFORMATION ABOUT THESE PROGRAMS ON OUR WEBSITE:
www.richmondsymphonysom.com

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BEHIND THE SCENES

An Academic Deep Dive into the Music

Companion Course

Free, pre-recorded lectures that explore the music, artists, and stories behind our Symphony Series concerts. Watch anytime, anywhere!

Open Rehearsals

Attend a Richmond Symphony rehearsal and observe the artistic process up close and personal.

For inquiries, email
education@richmondsymphony.com



EVENTS

COME & PLAY & SING: *CARMINA BURANA*

Sunday, April 11, 2027

Stuart C. Siegel Center | Virginia Commonwealth University

Be a part of the excitement of performing Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana* alongside the Richmond Symphony and Richmond Symphony Chorus! Instrumentalists and singers of all ages and experience levels are invited to join this unforgettable community music-making event. Whether you're an active musician or returning to music after time away, everyone is welcome!

VIOLINS OF HOPE

Experience the powerful story of the Violins of Hope—a collection of restored instruments once owned by Jewish musicians before and during the Holocaust. In partnership with the ***Virginia Holocaust Museum*** and the ***Weinstein JCC***, Richmond Symphony musicians will perform on these extraordinary instruments in a series of concerts and community events that honor resilience, remembrance, and the enduring power of music.

Richmond Symphony Violin of Hope Events

May 5, 2027	Westminster Canterbury
May 6, 2027	Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
May 7, 2027	Richmond's First Baptist Church
May 8, 2027	St. Christopher's School
May 19, 2027	Young Composers Seminar Recital, Dominion Energy Center
May 29, 2027	Abner Clay Park

For more information, visit www.richmondsymphony.com.

MEET OUR TEAM

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