



CALOS NEWS

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RECENT EVENTS:

Return to School of Music & Atlantic Place!

Finally, after eighteen months, CALOS returns to the School of Music for weekly rehearsals, and we are thrilled to be there. We are doubly blessed to also avail of our smaller ensemble spaces for additional sessions, as needed, in Atlantic Place, a partnership for which we are extremely grateful.



We are currently preparing repertoire for an informal musical afternoon on November 28 at Atlantic Place, adding a little musical flair to the Downtown Christmas Parade festivities, and for our more formal December 12 concert at DF Cook Recital Hall.

Our rehearsal schedule, check in at 2:25, followed by weekly sectionals and full orchestra rehearsal has been somewhat interrupted over the past few weeks to prepare the concert rep but during this time some sectionals, such as the Percussion Ensemble on November 11, met in Atlantic Place.



On October 31, we held a Halloween Costume competition during rehearsal and were amazed by the number of unique costumes. Instead of awarding a best costume prize, we randomly drew names of those in costume and awarded three gift cards. The lucky recipients of gift cards were Evan Fang (\$10), Sarada McKim (\$20), and Sydney Chislett (\$10). And everyone received their first treat of Halloween from CALOS as they left rehearsal.





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UPCOMING EVENTS: GET EXCITED!

CALOS CONCERTS

Last season, May 30 was a monumental day for CALOS. To have a public audience at Government House was beyond our expectations. As an indication of how far we have come, think back.... Our first in-person rehearsal was late October, our Christmas Concert was online. Now, excited and ready, CALOS is presenting two public events within a month.

November 28 at Atlantic Place will be 90 minutes of music to thank our wonderful hosts for our home base last season and it provides us with another opportunity to showcase our talents. This event, open to the public, will allow people to stop and listen for a few minutes while purchasing hot chocolate for the parade or others can watch seated in Jumping Bean Coffee. For the event musicians are asked to adorn their regular concert dress with something festive - a Christmas tie, mask, scarf, hat or even sweater. **Watching audience will need to be show NLVaxPass and ID at Jumping Bean if sitting to eat or drink.**

December 12 at DF Cook Recital Hall will be our more formal concert and general admission tickets (\$25 adults; \$15 seniors & students) will be available for purchase shortly. **NLVaxPass and ID will be necessary for the show and masks must be worn at all times while inside the School of Music and Concert Hall.** While we are returning to a “new normal,” we are not at a pre-pandemic state so no musician or ticket holder should attend our concert if experiencing any COVID symptoms.

Finally, while attendance at rehearsal is always very important, it is even more essential that everyone is in attendance and prepared for each week’s rehearsals as we have so little time left before these two exciting events.

CALOS AGM

December 6 marks the date for our Annual General Meeting and while this will not be an in-person meeting, we would ask parents to mark their calendars and attend, via Zoom, as we discuss our past season and reflect on our vision moving forward. If you are interested in serving as a CALOS board member, please send Mandy an email (calos.office@gmail.com). Parent reps typically serve a two year term and are extremely important to the Board. This year we are losing parents whose musicians have moved on to MUN Music.

The Zoom meeting will start at 7 pm and lasts about 30-45 minutes. Closer to the date, a link will be shared via email.



Dates of Note

- Nov. 21 & Dec. 5 Rehearsals, MUNL Music School: Check in – 2:15 pm
- Nov. 28: Atlantic Place, Musical Afternoon, 12:00- 2:00 pm. Drop off details to be emailed.
- Nov. 29: CALOS Board Zoom Meeting, 7:30 pm
- Dec. 6: CALOS AGM Zoom Meeting, 7 pm
- Dec. 12: CALOS Christmas Rehearsal, MUNL Music School: Check-in 12:30 pm
- Dec. 12: CALOS Christmas Concert, DF Cook Recital Hall, 3:00 pm. Earlier check-in (TBD) will be required.