

# **CALOS NEWS**

### **RECENT EVENTS:**

#### A Great Start for CALOS Orchestras

CALOS was lucky to add to both our orchestras as a result of three full rounds of



interviews in June and September. We were pleased to see many of the musicians who joined us for the May Test Drive enroll in both Junior and Senior Orchestras for this season.

We were also thrilled to have over 40 parents attend our September 7 family meeting. During this information session, our return to Orchestra Fest in November 2023 was announced. This means CALOS has finally returned to all pre-Covid activities.



# **SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2023**

Our Junior Orchestra and Ensembles now contain 29 musicians and our Senior Orchestra has 50 musicians including two rehearsal and concert assistants and two MUN Senior Orchestra assistant coaches.



As well, we are also happy to be offering our CALOS Mentorship Program again this season where some of our Senior Orchestra players will mentor Junior players in rehearsals.

# **Burry Heights Retreat: September 23-24**

To more effectively prepare for this term's music which includes both Dec. 3 rep and music for Orchestra Fest, the Senior retreat



was much planned for Sept. We were excited to rehearse and socialize during the



retreat which included sectionals,



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full rehearsals, fun competitive activities and even a Fall bonfire.

This event is a great orchestra bonding experience and also exposes the talents of many of our musicians during the Burry Heights Talent Show.

CALOS is very grateful to Dr. Krysta Au for offering medical assistance for our second retreat since



COVID. As well, our constant gratitude goes to our parents who have continuously trekked to the Salmonier Line to drop off and pick up our musicians.

# October 15: Change of Venue for Our Juniors



Every now and then MUN asks CALOS to move one or both of

our Orchestras because of recitals and events in the Music School. CALOS is very thankful that, when this happens, Atlantic

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Place still offers us space and our Juniors experienced a rehearsal on October 15 in Suite 301, a space which we have been lucky to use since November 2020.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS: GET EXCITED!**

### CALOS CONCERTS

If you are interested in attending the NSO Masterworks 2 Concert: Encanto Espanol, we have just acquired 20 tickets. This concert on Nov. 10, includes music from the heart of Spain & Mexico with conductor <u>Juan Carlos Lomonaco</u> and guest soloist <u>Valérie Milot</u>, on harp.

Tickets are available by emailing Mandy at <u>calos.office@gmail.com</u>.

### **CALOS Guest Conductor Fall 2023**

Senior musicians will be conducted for part of our Fall season by Andrei Popkov. Popkov is a graduate student studying conducting at MUN School of Music. He will be conducting one Senior Orchestra selection in our Dec. concert as well as conducting one selection as CALOS musicians join other Orchestra Fest participants on Nov. 4 & 5.

### **Dates of Note**

- October 17: CALOS Board Meeting (ZOOM), 8 pm
- November 4 & 5: Orchestra Fest (coproduced by MUN Music & CALOS).
   Venues: MUN Music School & The Basilica of St. John the Baptist
- November 10 (8 pm) NSO
   Masterworks II, Arts and Culture
   Centre.