THE ORCHESTRA

Performing in Greenville since 2000, Foothills Philharmonic is committed to providing high-quality, classical music performances to the Upstate community free of charge. The orchestra is an all-volunteer orchestra made up of accomplished non-professional musicians from the Upstate region of South Carolina. Orchestra membership includes individuals from many walks of life including part-time musicians, teachers, lawyers, business professionals, and homemakers.

Kory Vrieze is the Orchestra's Artistic Director and Conductor. Membership in Foothills Philharmonic is open to amateur and professional musicians. Avocational musicians are welcome and no audition is required (although training in youth orchestra, college orchestra, professional orchestra, or a concert band is suggested as cessary experience.)





Working to Help Educate the Next Generation of Musicians

The mission of the FOOTHILLS
PHILHARMONIC is to enrich the lives of residents in the Upstate Region of South
Carolina through quality performances of fine orchestral literature. Through outreach programs, our volunteer members work with young adults, the goal being to fostering an appreciation and love for music and the arts. In conjunction with other organizations, we assist in fulfilling the needs of the community.

The most effective way to invest in the futures is to invest in the next generation. With music it is no different.



Because of this reality, Foothills
Philharmonic has initiated the instrument
clinician program. By sending musicians
from the orchestra into local schools and
music camps, our goal is to make sure
that children receive encouragement and
instruction in their music studies.

Our objective is to ensure that the next generation holds the craft of classical music in high esteem. It doesn't matter if these children become performers or connoisseur's of classical music: we want them to enjoy it the rest of their lives.



If you are a music educator, we would love to assist you in any capacity. We have members from each section of the orchestra that would be willing to come out to your school. Whether it is to provide a clinic, teach a masterclass, or conduct private lessons, it is our hope that we can assist you in training the next generation of musicians and music lovers.

