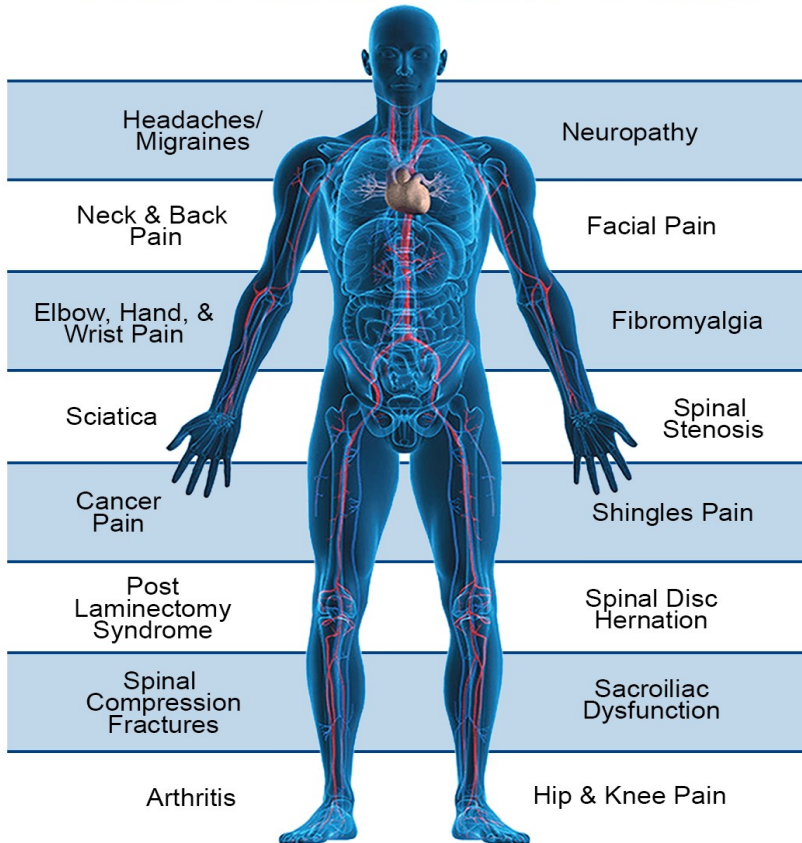




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## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, April 29, 2025 7:00PM**  
A Night of Strings  
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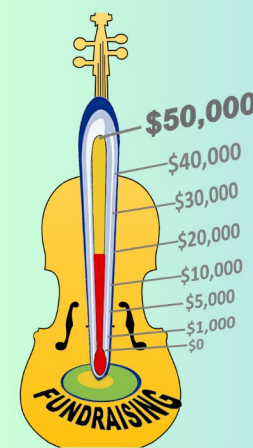
**Thursday, May 15 7:00 PM**  
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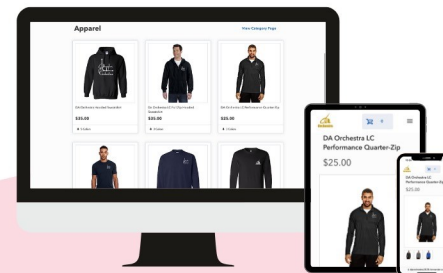
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## About Our Program



### ORCHESTRA RECOGNITION

The Douglas Anderson Orchestra Program has earned local, state, and national recognition. In addition to performing at the Florida Music Educators Conference in Tampa, the DA Chamber Orchestra is the only string orchestra from Florida to be invited to perform at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago in its history. In March 2020 the DA Chamber Orchestra placed second in the country at the National String Teacher's Association competition. In January 2024 the DA Symphony Orchestra was invited to perform at the Florida Music Educators Conference in Tampa, Florida.

### ORCHESTRAS

The program consists of three string orchestras, ranging from a training-level ensemble through an advanced Chamber Orchestra, which regularly performs standard orchestral literature. In addition to these orchestras, students of the DA Symphony Orchestra, which may include winds, percussion, and keyboard, perform during special events throughout the year.

### ACADEMICS AT DA

Recognized as a National Model School by the U.S. Department of Education, DA students' performance on AP tests, as well as scores on college-entrance exams have earned DA recognition as consistently being ranked in the top 1% of all high schools in the nation.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

The DA Orchestra graduates 15 – 20 students each year. Since 2009 these graduates have averaged over \$2 million, each year, in scholarship offers to leading colleges and conservatories. Orchestra graduates have attended top in-state universities UF, FSU, UCF, USF, UNF, UWF, JU, Rollins, and Stetson, as well as many out of state schools including Notre Dame, Yale, University of South Carolina, Northwestern, University of Wisconsin, Cleveland Institute of Music, and others.



## Brian Griffin - Orchestra Director

Brian Griffin is a conductor, string pedagogue, and violinist. He has dedicated his career to the expansion and development of string programs in public schools. As Director of Orchestras at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, he has developed an innovative orchestra curriculum consisting of four orchestras, a cello choir and double bass ensemble, as well as string chamber music and string pedagogy courses. He also taught strings in the Spartanburg (SC) District 7 Orchestra Program and at Landon Middle School of the Arts and Academics.



The Orchestra Program at DA has earned recognition through performing at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, Florida MEA Conference, and the ASTA National Orchestra Festival. The DA Orchestras also contributed to the DA Music Department's GRAMMY National Signature School designation as the top music department in the nation in 2010, 2012, and 2016.

Mr. Griffin earned the Bachelor of Science in Education degree from the University of Alabama, where he studied violin with Patrick Rafferty. He also studied violin with Rachel Huang, Paul Statsky, and Jerrie Lucktenberg. He is an active performer, playing violin throughout Northeast Florida.

Mr. Griffin has served on the Executive Board for the Florida Orchestra Association as an All-State Orchestra Coordinator, Music Committee Chair, District 17 Chair, and as Ethics Chair. He has served as a clinician, adjudicator, and session presenter for the Florida Orchestra Association. In recent years, he has conducted All-State Orchestras in South Carolina and Georgia as well as numerous regional orchestras in Florida, Texas and Kentucky.

Mr. Griffin enjoys camping and being out on the water in his Ski Nautique with his two sons.

## Courtney Chrestensen Associate Orchestra Director

Courtney Chrestensen, known as "Ms. C," is a seasoned performer and music educator dedicated to inspiring young musicians. As the Associate Director of Orchestras at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, she combines rigorous performance practice with a student-centered approach, developing innovative programs since 2019. In addition to her role at Douglas Anderson, she serves as the Artistic Director for the Golden Isles Youth Orchestra summer programs and assists the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras, all while maintaining an active teaching studio. Her commitment to music education extends to community involvement, serving as the Florida Orchestra Association District Chair and a member of its Adjudication Committee. Courtney holds dual Bachelor's degrees in Music Performance and Music Education from Jacksonville University and has enhanced her expertise through prestigious workshops such as Juilliard's Starling DeLay Violin Symposium and Carnegie Hall's Music Educators Workshops. A dedicated performer, she frequently plays with the Jacksonville University Orchestra and freelances throughout Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia, including collaborations with the rock band Foreigner. Outside of music, she enjoys attending live shows, trying new foods, and reading.



Leo, you constantly astound us with your brilliance. You shine both academically and as a cellist. You are kind, respectful and a true gentlemen. We love to listen to you play the cello and are so proud of you for your dedication to your instrument. The future is yours.  
Congratulations! Mum and Dad



## Grandmama and Poppy are so proud of you, Jordan!

Your dedication and talent shine brightly, carrying on a beautiful legacy. Poppy would be overjoyed to see you play his violin, filling the world with the music he loved. But beyond your incredible gift is your beautiful heart that truly makes your music special; filled with love, passion, and kindness. Keep Shining, sweet girl.

With love and pride,  
Grandmama and Poppy!







From the very first squeaky notes to the breathtaking music you create today, we have loved every step of this journey with you. Ten years of dedication, late-night practice sessions, and endless passion have shaped you into the incredible musician and person you are.

This may be your final high school concert, but it's only the beginning of the amazing things ahead. As you take this next step into college, know that we are endlessly proud and always cheering you on.

With all our love,  
Mom & Michael



## Benjamin Gerrard - Director of Bands

Mr. Benjamin Gerrard is in his second year as Director of Bands at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, teaching the Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, Chamber Winds, and AP Music Theory. Under his direction, the Wind Symphony was recently recognized as a National Mark of Excellence Winner for 2024. He recently performed with the Wind Symphony as an invited ensemble at the 2025 Music for All National Concert Band Festival and the 2023 Western International Band Clinic. He also performed with the DA Symphony Orchestra at the 2024 FMEA President's Concert. He completed his Master of Music degree from Baylor University in Waco, TX, studying conducting with Dr. J. Eric Wilson. He also studied flute with Dr. Charlotte Daniel and jazz improvisation with Mr. Alex Parker. While he was at Baylor, he played with the Wind Ensemble, including performances at the Southwest Regional CBDNA and Midwest Clinic, and performed on the 2025 Grammy-nominated album, Divine Mischievous. He also performed with the Baylor New Music Ensemble (piccolo, flute, and alto flute).



Mr. Gerrard is an active performer, performing in various orchestras, bands, and chamber ensembles across the state of Florida. Before his studies at Baylor, Mr. Gerrard was the Director of Bands at Merritt Island High School in Brevard County, FL from 2014 to 2021. He was responsible for the marching band, three concert bands, two jazz bands, percussion ensemble, and winter guard. He is an FMEA Emerging Leader, was on the Brevard County Public Schools Music Leadership Team, and served as District Secretary for FBA District 10. He is a guest clinician for middle and high school bands around the state of Florida. He holds a Bachelor of Music Education with Honors degree from The Florida State University, where he performed with the University Philharmonia, Symphonic Band, and Marching Chiefs.

## Joshua Stone- Teaching Artist Fellow In Strings Cathedral Arts Project

Mr. Stone graduated from the University of North Florida with a Bachelor of Music Education and Performance as well as a master's degree in conducting. His background includes teaching in the public school system and is currently teaching strings full-time with the Cathedral Arts Project, a non-profit organization in Jacksonville FL. As a violist, he has performed and participated in masterclasses with many artists and ensembles. He is dedicated to the development and expansion of string programs in Duval County.





### Carol Maynard - Director of Orchestras LaVilla School of the Arts

Carol Maynard, a National Board Certified Teacher, received the Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Converse College in 2003. Her primary and secondary school education was in Spartanburg County School District 7, where she participated in the nationally-acclaimed orchestra program. She began playing violin at the age of 3, and flute at the age of 11.



Ms. Maynard is currently in her 22nd year as the Director of Orchestras at LaVilla School of the Arts in Jacksonville, FL, where she was named Teacher of the Year for the 2015-2016 school year. Her orchestras have consistently received Superior ratings at the Florida Orchestra Association's Concert Music Performance Assessments, and first-place finishes at various competitions across the southeast.

As an adjudicator and clinician, Ms. Maynard is regularly invited to conduct All-County Orchestras around the state of Florida, and also in Kentucky. She is frequently asked to adjudicate MPA events in FL and GA. In addition, she has participated in panel discussions and clinic presentations on best teaching practices at both the Florida Music Education Association and Florida Orchestra Association state conferences.

Ms. Maynard's professional performance experience includes solo and orchestral engagements on both violin and flute. Her professional affiliations include National Association for Music Education, Florida Orchestra Association, Florida Music Education Association, and American String Teachers Association. She has served on both the Executive Board and the Executive Committee of the Florida Orchestra Association, and has also served on the Board for the Florida School Music Association. She has three sons, ages 20, 14, and 3, a violinist, cellist, and (most likely) bassist in training.

### Yelena Dumais - Director of Orchestras LaVilla School of the Arts

The music community in Jacksonville is a tight-knit community and Yelena Dumais is proud to have been an active participant in it since starting her music education. A LaVilla, Douglas Anderson, and Jacksonville University alum; the local music scene has played a large part in the path that has led to being a part of the LaVilla Orchestra as a co-director with Carol Maynard.

Music has always been a part of life for Mrs. Dumais. After receiving a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Jacksonville University in 2016, she has remained active as a performer and educator.

Mrs. Dumais hopes to instill the love, dedication, and discipline of music to all of her students. Whether they choose to become a part of our flourishing community here or take the lessons with them and apply them to anything they set their minds to.



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Deiloy we are so proud of all your hard work and accomplishments, we will miss seeing you and DJ on stage together, remember with God everything is possible. We are super proud of you, Thank you for being such a great teenager , we love you.

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Rex you are such a dedicated and hardworking performer. Congratulations on a brilliant Senior Recital. We are certain you will achieve anything you put your mind and heart to. We love you so much. The rest of the fiery Franklins.



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## **CAMERATA ORCHESTRA**

**Brian Griffin, Director**

Queen of the Night's Aria from The Magic Flute  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart arr. Bob Lipton

Slava! Nikolay Rimsky-Korsakov  
arr. Sandra Dackow

Mambo from West Side Story Leonard Bernstein  
arr. Stephen Sondheim

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## **REPERTORY ORCHESTRA Courtney Chrestensen, Director**

Symphony Concertante No. 1  
Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de St. George  
arr. Jim Palmer

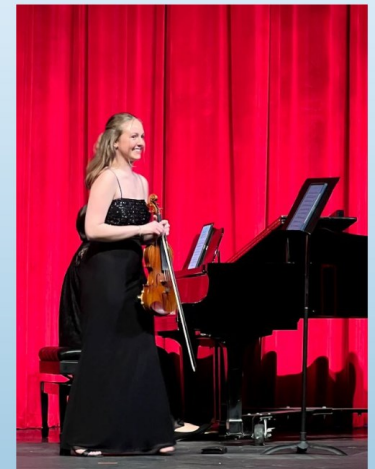
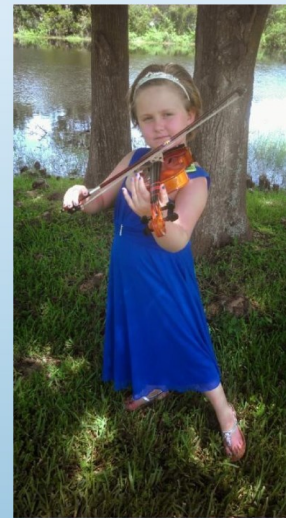
Lullaby William Holfeldt

The Magical World of Pixar arr. Robert Longfield

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Jackie - You are beautiful inside and out.  
You are loved beyond measure. Your  
music has moved our hearts and souls.  
We are so proud of you.  
Congratulations!!  
Love - Mom, Dad, Stephanie





Morgan,  
Believe in yourself.  
Be amazing today.  
Anything is possible.  
Never give up.  
Love you infinitely, T & G



Morgan,  
You continue to make us  
proud, and we love you so  
much!  
Love, Mom & Dad

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## PROGRAM

### CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

**Brian Griffin, Director**

Finale to Symphony in D Minor "La Casa del Diavolo"  
Luigi Boccherini arr. Christopher Selby

Sinfonia for String Orchestra  
Dmitri Shostakovich arr. Lucas Drew  
*II. Allegro molto*

### INTERMISSION

### LAVILLA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

**Carol Maynard, Director**

American Rondo from the Quartet in F, Op. 96  
Antonin Dvorak/Douglas Stroud

### CATHEDRAL ARTS PROJECT

**Josh Stone, Director**

Side by Side with the DA Chamber Orchestra

Mechanical Monsters Randall Standridge  
Exhilaration Cooper Ford

### SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

**Brian Griffin, Director**

The Barber of Seville Overture Gioacchino Rossini

### SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Orange Blossom Special Edwin Rouse  
arr. Griffin/Wood

**Benjamin Gerrard, Director**

Finlandia Op. 26, No. 7 Jean Sibelius

## REPERTORY ORCHESTRA

### Violin

Jasmine Barreras  
Nia Clincy  
Aline Da Silva  
Xavier Hewitt-  
Rozensky  
A'mya Huerta  
Marcell Johnson  
Genesis Smith  
Alex Torres

### Viola

Alani Austin  
Grace Lampkin  
Ariel Wells

### Cello

Zoey Farris  
Adeline Snow  
Daniel Wallace

### Double Bass

Jala Daniel  
Rex Franklin

### Percussion

Isaiah Newland  
Violette Roberts  
T.J. Willis

## CAMERATA ORCHESTRA

### Violin

Alani Austin\*  
Clara Barnes\*  
Sophia Burney  
Carson Canning\*  
Izabella Eidenire\*  
Giada Fasci  
Michael Frock  
Ravi Ghose\*  
Morgan Harran  
Karina Ivonnet  
Lydia Jackson\*  
Jose Ortiz  
Neev Saxena\*  
Milana Shulga\*

### Viola

Kailey Bellamy  
Aiden Gould\*  
Mandela Kenyi  
Brendan Lane\*  
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Genala Riddick  
Landon Speicher\*  
Chris Thomas  
Janiya Walker  
Maegan Wilkerson\*

### Cello

Hayden Bethea  
Tristan Devault\*  
Tiana London\*  
Galaxy Jane Platten  
Isabella Smith

### Double Bass

Jayla Epting\*  
Gabiella Mayifuila

### Mambo Percussion

Gabe Jennings  
Isaia Newland  
Violette Roberts  
Zavi Wolf

## CHAMBER- SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

### Violin

Trisha Isabelle  
Escobal  
Rex Franklin  
Angelina Gedroit  
Jacqueline Hagen  
Sophia Ivec  
Jovan Micic  
Michael Mollison  
Isabella Perez  
Lucy Pomeroy  
Fiona Redmond  
Kinsey Spencer  
Jordan Talley  
Deiloy Thomas

### Double Bass

Detrick Thomas  
Kynneddy White  
Mihajla Wickham

### Viola

Justin Berger  
N'diyah Bolte  
Gabrielle Clowers  
Jerome Samuel Jr

### Cello

Ayden Broughton  
Leo Franklin  
Chloe Kolenc  
Joshua Mayrand  
Tobyn Sherman  
Harley Stanford

### Double Bass

Josiah Adams  
Kercy Fonthus  
Graham Guiler

### Piano

Deriel Rodriguez-  
Torres

## Senior Class 2025



Congratulations Leo and  
Rex on your Senior year!

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and the good you bring to  
the world.

Love Mum and Dad







## LaVilla School of the Arts Orchestra Department

LaVilla School of the Arts Orchestra offers a vibrant and enriching experience for string players of all levels. With four distinct orchestras: Concert (beginner), Sinfonia (intermediate), Repertory (advanced), and Chamber (premier); students are placed in ensembles that support and challenge their musical growth. Our Chamber Orchestra, an auditioned ensemble of over 20 musicians, was recently selected to perform at the prestigious 2025 Florida Music Education Association (FMEA) Conference in Tampa. From classical masterworks to pops arrangements, our program prepares students through high-level repertoire and inspiring performance opportunities. Auditions for next year's program are typically held in December, with additional opportunities available for local arts programs such as CAP, Pine Forest and Chet's Creek. Join us!

### Violin

OLIVE ARNOLD  
ZOE AUTRY  
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C'ANA CHAPPELL-BILBRO  
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GATENBY RALEY-BLADE  
MARIROSA RODRIGUEZ-ROMERO  
LILYTH ROSARIO  
CECILIA SCHULTZ

### Viola

NAOMI DEVENBURG  
XANDER HEWITT-ROZENSKY

KENNEDY MATTHEWS  
MAVERICK MONROE

### Cello

GARRETT DEGRUCHY  
JACOB GRIFFIN

AARON MCGILL  
TRISTAN WATZLAWIK-ROEMER

### Bass

MARK CRAWFORD

JAMES SYLVESTER

RONAN REDMOND

## SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

### Winds, Brass, Percussion

#### Flute/Piccolo

Nora Keagy  
Kaia Raley-Blade

#### Oboe

Emma Druggan  
Richard Wilson

#### Bassoon

Samantha Cooke  
Leylanie Cordero

#### Clarinet

Elise Maneja  
Kayden Sanders

#### Trumpet

Jack Andersen  
Erik Links  
Devin Reale

#### Horn

Aiden Bower  
Alexander Cisler  
Kaycie Cross  
Vir Ghose

#### Trombone

Ean Bricknell  
Danilo Quilaton  
Lily Yarbrough

#### Tuba

Cristian Vasquez

#### Percussion

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Laine Marshall  
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Joselyn Alford  
Jessie Colburn  
James Folds  
James “Tripp” Daniel  
Jack Fly

Jack Custer  
Isabella Fong  
Hazel Hollinghead  
Grace Cignarelli  
Emelio Davis  
Elijah Rousseau  
Daisy Clark  
Corbin McCann  
Colin Turner  
Charlotte Plummer  
Caroline Healy  
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### Central Riverside Intermediate Strings

Angelina Willie  
Ashlynn Harris  
Aunesti Jones  
Berkeley Willie  
Camille Austin  
Cobie Willie  
Dreyden Sumpter  
Emily Williams  
Evan Wilson  
Jaylen Baker  
Julia Mitchell  
Kendall Gale  
Laylah Whitlock  
London Hardmon  
Piper Fox

### Enterprise Learning Academy Intermediate Strings

Amani Weeks  
Ar'Miya James  
Avangaline Perry  
Ayden Rice  
Dafne Ramirez  
Darra'rose Bellamy  
Grayson Stigler  
J'Nyla PLante  
J'Nyra Plante  
Kaydence McKinney  
Kai Smith  
Lianna Heath  
Makayla Rowell  
Sumina Greer  
Temperance Pruitt  
Teyona Pemberton  
Tiawan Pemberton